Fire department celebrates 135th anniversary

Founded after much of campus burned down in 1879, NDFD is the oldest university FD in the country

By EMILY McCONVILLE
News Writer

The Notre Dame Fire Department (NDFD) conducts a fire drill for each dorm twice a semester. Thursday afternoon, it was Mod Quad’s turn.

The firefighters on shift — Captain Michael Holdeman, firefighters Damien Cruz and Wayne Bishop and fire protection technician Dwight Niles — as well as Amy Geist from the Office of Human Resource and her yellow lab Dakota, piled into two fire trucks and drove around the corner to Pasquerilla East Hall for the day’s first drill.

NDFD’s job was to walk in, trip the fire alarm, ensure everyone left the building in a timely manner and check for any fire code violations. They took the elevator, one man getting off at each floor. Cruz reached the fourth floor, where a few PE residents were studying in a lounge.

“Let me know when you guys are ready,” Bishop’s voice said from a walkie-talkie.

“We are ready on four,” Cruz replied.

One by one, the firefighters radioed in. One of them reminded Bishop to check the chapel.

A few seconds later, the fire alarm screeched through the school. The firefighters rushed to answer the alarm.

The exact reason for the fault is still to be determined, but it does not appear to be related to previous outages,” Brown said.

“The outage began at 12:03 a.m. and affected Stinson-Remick Hall, the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, Mendoza College of Business, DeBartolo Hall, Ryan Hall, Eck Visitors Center, Eck Hall of Law, McKenna Hall, the Hesburgh Center for International Studies and Legends.”

The buildings regained power over the course of about seven hours, Brown said. “Power to a part of the circuit was restored at 1:42 a.m. to Ryan and Eck Visitors Center,” Brown said. “All but McKenna, DeBartolo Hall and the Hesburgh Center came on line between 3:30 a.m. and 3:45 a.m.”

Claudia Nelson, an English professor at Texas A&M University, examined the definitions and implications of child citizenship in the lecture titled "The Lady or the Tiger? The Shifting Gender of the Girl Citizen" on Friday in McKenna Hall.

The keynote address, part of the Fun with Dick and Jane Gender and Childhood Conference, explored the phenomenon of "child citizenship" in Victorian and contemporary literature. Nelson defined child citizenship as the process by which children learn to understand the definition of a citizen in society.

Saint Mary’s final Justice Friday’s lecture of the fall semester engaged students and faculty in a round table discussion on social work experiences and internships, titled “Social Work Students: South Bend as their Classroom.”

Several senior social work majors shared their experiences in the field, including work at RiverBend Cancer Center, DePaul Community Health Center, and various social service agencies.

Claudia Nelson, an English professor at Texas A&M, explored the relationship between gender and citizenship in children's literature.
The Aidan Project took place in South Dining Hall on Sunday. The project was created by Circle K in honor of Notre Dame alumnus Aidan Fitzgerald. The project distributes fleece blankets to cancer patients in the Michiana area.

Question of the Day:
What is your favorite Christmas movie?

Sarah Toner
junior
McElinn Hall
“The Nightmare Before Christmas.”

Rosalyrn Tan
sophomore
Lyons Hall
“A Christmas Story.”

Taryn Stamper
sophomore
Ryan Hall
“Hallmark Christmas movies.”

Kris Thieneeman
sophomore
Keough Hall
“The Nightmare Before Christmas.”

Brec Thomas
senior
off-campus
“The Polar Express.”

Have a question you want answered? Email photo@ndsmcobserver.com

The Next Five Days:

Monday
ACMS Colloquium
Hayes-Healy Center
4:35 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
Pietro Zunino will speak.

Tuesday
Men’s Basketball
Parcell Pavilion
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
The Irish take on Mount St. Mary’s.

Wednesday
Hesburgh Library
Renovation Launch
Hesburgh Library
4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.
“ Farewell to the Floor” Open House.

Thursday
Mindful Meditation
Coleman-Morse Center
5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
Open to students of all faith.

Friday
President’s Christmas Reception
Main building
2 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Open to all University employees.

Mass in the Basilica
Basilica of the Sacred Heart
5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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Professor of Irish Language and Literature Brian Ó Conchubhair delivered the lecture “1916 and High Modernism,” focused on a re-evaluation of Eoghan Ó Tuairisc’s novel “Dé Luain” in the context of modernism Friday in Planner Hall. This was the final lecture in the Lectures and Public Talks Series sponsored by the Keough-Naughton Institute for Irish Studies.

“Dé Luain” is set during the Easter Rising of 1916 when a number of Irish Republicans proclaimed independence and launched an armed campaign against British forces. Ó Conchubhair said the novel is a profound piece of modernist literature, written within a detailed historical novel.

“Tuairisc draws attention to Dé Luain’s own fictional nature with a clear divide between the physical and the intellectual, emotional world,” he said. Ó Conchubhair said the work had other influences, including Shakespeare and Tolstoy.

“Macbeth provides a soundtrack in the background,” he said. “Ó Tuairisc owes a great debt to Tolstoy’s masterpiece ‘War and Peace’.”

As for the characters in Ó Tuairisc’s work, Ó Conchubhair said Tuairisc maintains a reasonably impartial but broadly sympathetic view for most of his characters in contrast to most portrayals of the 1916 uprising.

“Ó Tuairisc’s main characters are Irish language exponents of the modernist anti-heroes,” he said. “Dé Luain” was published at a time when the events of 1916 were already receiving attention from various forms of media, including television programs and documentaries, Ó Conchubhair said, which further reinforces his claim that “Dé Luain” is more of a modernist novel than a work of history.

“It is prevented from being a pure historical novel because it stops before the actual events of the Easter rising,” he said. Ó Conchubhair said “Dé Luain” is also not very accessible for an unprepared reader. “Dé Luain” is a dense, multi-layered text that requires readers to read and reflect,” he said. “We must remove ‘Dé Luain’ from the basement and reposition it in the sunlight of high modernism.”

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Lecturer revisits controversial FDR decision

By JEREMY CAPPELLO-LEE

Lisa Phillips, associate professor of history at Indiana State University, gave a historical account of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt’s wartime takeover of retail store Montgomery Ward, as part of the Higgins Lunchtime Labor Research, Advocacy & Policy series in the Notre Dame Room of LaFortune Student Center on Friday.

Many of FDR’s New Deal initiatives curbed the power of corporations, which Phillips said partially led to the stock market crash of the 1920’s. This check against big business created tension between corporations and government, especially after World War II. Leading an anti-regulatory effort against FDR’s policies was Sewell Avery, the chairman of Montgomery Ward, Phillips said.

“What we'll see after the war is a huge pro-business attack on New Deal regulation,” she said. “I think Sewell Avery represents the first line of that pro-business crusade against this New Deal regulation.”

Avery was refused the opportunity to acknowledge union representation for thousands of Montgomery Ward’s employees. The founder and CEO of FDR, who Phillips said had supported union growth throughout his presidency. “What Sewell Avery was protesting here was not only abiding by the War Labor Board’s recommendations, but he also simply didn’t want to recognize the union representing Montgomery Ward’s employees,” she said. “He was refusing the union’s existence at all.”

Avery’s resistance to employee unionization and his further refusal to cooperate with FDR’s administration led to his forceful removal from Montgomery Ward, Phillips said.

“FDR’s logic here is that we need to have stability in the industry, and whoever Phillips said business owners

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and 4:10 a.m. Power was restored to those final three buildings at 8:18 a.m.

This is the second outage to affect campus within a week. Twelve buildings concentrated on the south side of South Quad lost power for about four hours Nov. 30. Earlier this year, more than 20 buildings also experienced a 10-minute power outage Sept. 3. The interior of a cooling cell in the Notre Dame Power Plant’s steam generation system partially collapsed Aug. 29, and a software failure caused a campus-wide blackout Feb. 27.

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Services and United Way. Each student has a unique field placement experience to discuss, giving their audience a glimpse of what social work involves, senior social work major Meredith Mersits said.

A research assistant in the Saint Mary’s social work department, Mersits said internships help prepare students for their future in social work.

“Everyone’s doing something different and awesome,” she said.

Senior Jessica Hoffman said she works at a charter school in South Bend where often finds herself dealing with typical high school drama.

“It’s high school drama I have to sift through,” she said. “It can be from a school fight to suicide. You get the full range of problems in a school setting.”

Similar to Hoffman, senior Krista Mathews said she works with a social worker at James Whitcomb Riley High School in South Bend.

“It’s a wide range of social work problems at Riley,” she said. “I’m very lucky because I get to observe the social worker there, and then I also get to meet with students one-on-one if it’s not that serious of a problem, which is good because I get to work on my interviewing skills.

“I talk about things like managing stress, and that’s a lot of fun. I get to go to case conference meetings. I really become part of the school.”

Senior Samee Chittenden said she is an intern at Kidspeace National Center, a respite center for children in the foster-care system.

“We currently have 30 kids in our care,” Chittenden said. “A lot of them are re-sprites, which means [there is a short] time when foster families can get a break and send the [foster] kids to respite care.

“We work with a lot of different cases. Today we actually went over a case where a child just lashes out uncontrollably. They can’t figure out what’s going on with him. We go on home visits every week. We provide different services to all the kids. It can range from speech therapy to counseling. We have kids ranging from as young as six months old to 21 years old.”

Senior Molly Smith said she currently works at the Young Women’s Christian Association (YWCA) with clients seeking drug and domestic violence treatment.

“It’s very interesting [with] a lot of different things,” she said. “The interesting thing about the drug treatment is that it allows clients to bring children. We get women who are referred to by the police, and we work with them. They can stay there for six to eight weeks. There’s actually a kids’ therapist there now, which is great. It’s a really great placement.”

Senior Kelly Crooks said she also works with victims of domestic abuse at the Family Justice Center of St. Joseph County, where she also manages the crisis line from 6 a.m. to noon on Fridays.

“We’re kind of like a one-stop-shop,” she said. “The idea behind the family center, we have a counselor. The special victims unit is in our building.

“The CASEL Center (Child Abuse/Services, Investigation and Education) is [used] if somebody thinks a child has been sexually assaulted. We also have a protective order attorney. We have a lot of our safety training, [and] we’re working on updating all our resources right now. S-O-S (rape crisis center), which is part of the family center, [companies] victims to the hospital. We’re on call for the crisis line.”

Senior Jessica Richmond said she interns at United Way, a new placement option for first-year social work majors this year.

“United Way has just this year done a poverty transition so they’re an issue-focused agency,” she said. “The cool part about United Way is that we fund a lot of the agencies we have girls placed at. Part of my job is working some of the programs that United Way funds specifically, and helping the agencies in the room apply for allocations.”

A double major in social work and communications, Cat Zalduendo said she works at REAL Services in the development offices to understand and get exposure to the different areas within a non-profit organization.

“I’m involved in a lot of different parts of the agency from program research to donor research,” she said. “I help organize fundraisers for the agencies. I have done a lot of client interviews, just gather their stories, and those go into our e-newsletters. I’ve done a lot of grant proposals. REAL Services is an agency catered to older people, but there’s also a community service side so I’ve been able to get a sense of a lot of different programs.”

Mersits said she feels those in social work are very lucky to have their select field placements to assist them in their future career endeavors.

“I think the program we have here is great, and all the professors have taught us so well that we are prepared to go out into the field,” she said. “I feel we are all very equipped to enter into our field as social workers.”

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building.
Cruz said the fire drills have only been this frequent for awhile, since the Clery Act required them, but NDFD has been doing this sort of thing for a long time.

According to a University press release, it is the first and oldest campus fire department in the country. It celebrated its 135th anniversary in November.

When the fire alarm rang on Thursday, the PE residents in the fourth floor lounge jumped, then began to make their way downstairs and out of the building.

“Is this real?” one girl asked Cruz. He said he gets that a lot.

“We’re supposed to treat everything like it’s real,” Cruz said. “I’ll stand right here just for a few seconds. It could be the other wing, then I’ll give the all clear on this floor.”

Cruz began to walk down one hallway, then turned around, went casionally knocking on doors. After only a few seconds, the floor appeared to be empty.

“We don’t see a lot more lenient if there’s anybody in the shower or anyone with crutches or wheelchairs,” Cruz said. “In a real emergency, we ask them to wait in the stairwell, and we’ll come up and get them.”

“Third floor is clear,” Niles said from the walkie-talkie. Cruz turned around, went through the floor’s second section and gave his own all-clear.

On the way back, Cruz pointed at Christmas lights hanging above the stairway in a zigzag pattern. Not the best place for them, he said, but as long as they didn’t obstruct fire detectors or firefighters themselves, they could let it slide.

“Something that’s really going to catch our eye is if it’s wrapped around a sprinkler head or if it’s stuck in a door-way that’s supposed to close,” Cruz said. “Usually little stuff like this, we’ll let it go.”

The firefighters and Geist congregated in the lobby as PE residents filed back in after only a couple minutes. Then they walked over to Knott Hall and repeated the procedure. (“I just wanted to take a nap!” one resident said on the way down.)

After the second drill, the firefighters stuck around for a few minutes and chatted in the lobby with students and hall staff.

A few guys pet Dakota and tried to convince recr- tor Patrick Kincaid to get a dog, while the firefighters talked about getting a dog themselves.

“This part of the job, 32-year veteran Bishop said, is his favorite.

“Interacting with students, faculty, and staff,” he said.

NDFD was created after most of campus burned down in March 1879, the press release said. Cruz said until 1995, when it hired its first full-time firefighter, the station was staffed with priests, brothers and student volunteers.

Now, with 18 staff mem- bers, four of whom cover each 24-hour shifts, the depart- ment covers all buildings on the Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross campuses, and gives and receives help from nearby fire departments for bigger emergencies and football games, Cruz said.

Though the department was created after a case of a devastating blaze, Cruz said today, most of the station’s runs, or responses to calls, are something other than fire.

“We do a lot of medicals, a lot of investigations — we smell this, we smell that, we spilled this in this chemical lab, we spilled this in this sci- ence lab,” he said. “The ma- jority of our runs — we don’t have too many fires on cam- pus. Every building on cam- pus is sprinkled … I wouldn’t say (fire is) impossible, but it’s not very likely.”

When the station gets a call — Cruz said it happens about three to five times a day, and ten times as often on football game days — it’s either a dispatched case, like the Dame Security Police or a fire alarm in a building, which runs through an analog sys- tem that alerts the firefigh- ters through a series of bells.

“Every building on campus and at Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross is numbered assigned to it, and the number of times it rings signifies where we go,” Cruz said. “For example, the Notre Dame firehouse is 333, so it rings three times, two second break, ring three times, two second break, ring three times. So we count the bells, and we know where we’re going.”

NDFD has three fire trucks at its disposal. One of which hold 500 gallons of water and can pump 1,500 gallons a minute, Cruz said. In addi- tion to buildings, the station covers five lakes, so it also has a boat at its disposal. At least one firefighter per shift is trained in diving.

Cruz said the department’s average response time is two minutes. The station has five fire engines, as well as in the apparatus bay and in the fire engines them- selves, so by the time they get there, the fire is probably at a one or two alarm, — a dorm for example — they know as much about the emergency as possible.

“We get to the dorm and we’ve got one guy who will go to the alarm panel, and he’s stationed there. That’s his location, to silence it or tell us, hey, we’ve got something else going on in here. The rest of the guys go upstairs or to wherever the alarm is, and we’re investigating it.”

When the department isn’t responding to emergencies, Cruz said it performs vari- ous services, whether main- taining fire safety at football games or overseeing normal campus activities.

“We cover everything on campus that goes on, so bon- fires we have to light and babysit. Any kind of sports on campus we’re involved in, either watching … we’re managing it,” he said. “Or, for instance, they’re having a dinner at DPAC for a Sinte gathering, and we have to provide emergency medi- cal coverage. They’ll have live flames on candles for the dinner, so they’ll shut the fire alarm system down. You can’t do that for any building without having a firefighter there for what we call fire watch to make sure nothing happens.”

Cruz said the department is also one of the main groups responding to electrical problems, such as the recent South Quad power outage or the larger outage in June, which left several people stuck in elevators.

“They were dealing with el- evator entrapments,” he said. “So the power goes out; the elevator stops where it’s at. I think they did maybe 10 of those.”

Cruz said the station often receives visitors, whether in- terested visitors or alumni who participated in NDFD’s 135-year history.

“We get visitors from every- where who stop by,” he said. “That, to me, is always the exci- citing part.”

The anniversary, said fire chief Bruce Harrison, was business as usual.

“We quietly did our job,” he said. “That was our creation. We’re just happy to be here.”

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and engage in their social roles and become active partici- pants within a community.
For some years now, critical debate in the field of children’s literature has been addressing the question of the child’s citi- zenship,” she said. “The term citizenship embraces a range of areas, if not the ability to vote or the requirement to pay taxes, then the expectation that the child will nonetheless engage in other activities that contribute to the community, from fulfilling domestic responsibilities to religious or patriotic movements.”

Although the role of citizenship is often examined from a historical perspective, Nelson said it is not common- ly examined from a gendered perspective. Nelson, who fo- cused mainly on the process of child citizenship in young girls, said textual analysis of children’s literature through a transformative process of trau- ma, which Nelson said is usu- ally represented by a central conflict within the novel that forces the girl to break from conventional gender norms.

“In gendered terms, the pain works to establish a girl’s femi- nine vulnerability or sensitiv- ity while later events establish that, as a mature citizen, she is nonetheless strong,” she said.

Nelson said children’s litera- ture that explores the process of child citizenship in girls is able to provide valuable criti- cisms against dominant cul- tural values and norms. Nelson said these novels help create alternative rules for young women and demonstrate the constructive power of child- hood trauma.

“It is time to turn our atten- tion from the victimized child to the empowered child,” she said.

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Firefighter Danien Cruz explains the system that handles fire alarms; there are computers on each floor in the firehouse and in the firetrucks.

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Taking a job risk

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While students tend to eagerly look forward to their senior year, this final step of the college process is accompanied by the frequently asked question, “What are you doing next year?”

The lucky students secure their positions following their summer internships while others must wait until the final months of the school year to hopefully open the prized acceptance email or letter.

Despite the show of confidence to others, many students succumb to a panic during this uncertain time. There is a secret inner joy any time one uncertain student is able to settle another who has also yet to figure out his or her future plans.

Another commonly told job search story is the acceptance of positions students reject on second thought. I have already too often heard of students signing with companies they have no interest in or simply choosing the first company they hear back from in the name of security.

A friend of mine recently questioned this trend. Students would rather be safe and take the first job that comes their way, than wait for a job they truly want. I think students these days play it too safe. While students search for job security, an entry-level position and the ability to move up in a company, they often miss out on other opportunities along the way.

Accepting simply any position should not be good enough. While I don’t think being told by older generations that my generation does not take risks and that we lack the drive to go out on a limb, to my certain extent I can understand where they are coming from.

One of my family friends, a Notre Dame graduate who is now the CEO of a successful company in California, told me that he had no idea what he was going to do when he graduated. He packed up his car, drove across the country and eventually started his own company.

There was no job security in that move, but he was willing to take the risk. Today, some students argue they do not have the luxury to go out on this limb, but few people will ever have this luxury.

Making a calculated risk does not always turn out the way we want, but there is so much to learn in the process.

While I personally have no grounds on which to tell other students to go out and take risks, my one piece of advice would be not to settle for easily. Yes, we do have the rest of our lives ahead of us and we have the option of changing professions if we wish, but why not start off closer to where we want to be in the first place?

This may take time, this may not be easy, but sometimes doing what we love is worth the risk.

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Call the question in Staten Island

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Reasonably Right

As with any controversial ruling or decision, I saw a lot of Facebook comments this week ranging from uninformed to misinformed and from judgmental to apathetic regarding the decision not to indict Officer Daniel Pantaleo in the case of Eric Garner’s death in Staten Island, New York. It was astonishing to me how people equated the case to the Ferguson, Missouri, case in which a grand jury chose not to indict Officer Darren Wilson in the death of Michael Brown the week prior. The two cases are very different, but frustration and contention with both is understandable.

The Ferguson case included conflicting witness accounts and involved one police officer who claims his actions were in response to resistance or assault. The case likely would not have met the burden of proof required in a criminal case (although that is not what an indictment is, but more on that later). The Staten Island incident, on the other hand, was videotaped and involved multiple officers arresting one man based on his selling cigarettes without tax stamps. The man was not causing harm to the officers, his death was caused by one of the police officers employing tactics that were banned in the New York Police Department and there very well could have been a conviction of the officer on the charges of excessive use of force or wrongful death.

Before getting too deep into the issue, let me start with a basic lesson: an indictment is not a criminal verdict. Given what I have seen and heard, many people either forget that or simply do not know that in the first place. A criminal verdict determines whether a person is guilty beyond a reasonable doubt or not guilty if there is reasonable doubt. An indictment means that there is probable cause for a trial and does not leave any formal indication of guilt or lack thereof. An indictment simply calls the question.

In Ferguson, an unarmed man was left dead and the details leading up to his death were not at all definite. The dispute of circumstances and the fact that a death occurred perhaps should have resulted in an indictment of the police officer, leading to a trial. If the case had gone to trial, it is my belief the jury would not have ended up rendering a guilty verdict for the officer who killed the man based on the fact there was reasonable doubt stemming from the conflicting witness accounts. By no means am I saying the police officer was guilty or innocent here, I am just stating that the burden of proof likely would not have been met in a trial.

In Staten Island, a man was left dead and the details leading up to his death were fairly clear. A man was selling cigarettes and multiple police officers wanted to arrest him for breaking a rule. He showed no physical resistance until a police officer came up behind him and put him into a chokehold, a practice explicitly banned in the NYPD. According to the coroner’s report, the man died as a result of the chokehold. I strongly believe that this case should have at least gone to trial, and I think there is a good chance the officer would have been found guilty. I think the question was worth calling. It is worth finding out exactly what the circumstances were to determine if the police officer was guilty of excessive force and causing the wrongful death of an unarmed man.

The evidence against the police officer was simply more substantial in the Staten Island case than in the Ferguson case, which is one reason many prominent political figures have called the grand jury’s decision not to indict into question. Former President George W. Bush said, “How sad. You know, the verdict was hard to understand.” Speaker of the House John Boehner stated, “The American people deserve more answers about what really happened here, and was our system of justice handled properly?” President Barack Obama said, “Too many Americans feel deep unfairness” in the criminal justice system. Both Senator Rand Paul and former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton have called for reform in our criminal justice system.

I do not think the Staten Island case is only a race issue. I do not think it is a necessarily partisan issue. I think the death of Eric Garner is above all a justice issue. Our justice system should be based on the principle of investigating as thoroughly as possible to find the truth and deal with those guilty of injustice appropriately. A man should not die for the simple, though illegal, act of selling cigarettes. If a police officer ever uses excessive force, he should be severely reprimanded. We should hold law enforcement to a higher standard, not let them get away with more. If there is ever a reasonable possibility of guilt, we should call the question.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON

“Call the question in Staten Island” by Kyle Palmer.

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I’ve been following a store once in my life when I was buying an expensive mask for Halloween. Once, I’ve been addressed by the color of my skin once in my life. During a basketball game, a girl I was defending said, “Back off, whitey.” That is the only time I’ve come remotely close to having a racist comment directed at me. The only time. It wasn’t even racist. But you know what I’ve seen repeatedly throughout my life? Stepping off the bus with my predominantly black track team and having everyone in the vicinity stop and stare at us. I’ve heard people use the n-word derogatorily too many times to count. I’ve listened to white people express how they fear people of color for no other reason besides the shade of their skin. I’ve seen on the news unarmed black men, women and children murdered by white people of authority, or by white people who believe they have authority but really don’t. And no one is held responsible. I’ve thought, “Hey, putting cameras on police officers is a great idea. That way, when we get to see exactly what happened, justice will be served and will protect everyone involved.” And then two days later, Eric Garner became a trending hashtag. He was a human being. He was a black man. He is now a trending hashtag because neither of those facts seem to matter. To my black friends, I have never experienced the deep-seeded, multi-generational bigotry and hatred that has unfortunately always been a part of your lives. And trust me, I recognize that you are aware of this fact. You were aware of it years before I was. I can watch and be enraged. I can watch and be terrified, but not terrified for the lives of anyone in my family. I’m terrified for the people of color who deal with their families and strangers I see on the street. We live in two different realities because of our skin tones, and it is not okay. You deserve better, which is an egregious under-statement. An entire race has been and continues to be told through countless examples that they do not matter, when in fact they are of the utmost importance. There should never have to be a reason why you matter. You are human. You deserve to be treated like it.

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Dec. 4

Should NDtv have an ‘Irish Bachelor?’

Last Nov 4, more than 2,000 people tuned in to the series premiere of “Irish Bachelorette.” Groups of students huddled around common room television sets to watch 10 of their male peers vie for the affection of one Notre Dame woman. Traditionally, Notre Dame students are viewed as being too set in their ways to see the goodness of change. But had I done my research beforehand, I would have realized that what was a fun-to-watch, light-hearted television program could turn into a “cat-fight” quickly, presenting no real substance. However, we had so many incredibly intelligent, confident women audition for our program last year that we would welcome the prospect of casting more females. At NDtv, we are excited about the opportunity to further our mission of serving the campus community by providing relevant programming to those who want to watch. That is precisely why we want your feedback. After all, the purpose of television is to provide audiences with the kind of entertainment that evokes discussion, laughter and joy. Email us or give us your opinion on Facebook or Twitter: ccrommet@nd.edu

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A misconceived position: traditional marriage

Gay rights and the marriage debate. Few other topics are more polarized in our society. This debate is often depicted as a battle between good and evil. On one side we have young, enlightened and open-minded individuals that fight for the equality and acceptance of all members of society. On the opposing end we have close-minded people, raised in a bigoted tradition and too set in their ways to see the goodness of change. But is this really a true representation of either group? Does supporting a traditional view of marriage automatically imply bigotry and ignorance?

I will state two things: I support traditional marriage, and I love gay people. These statements may seem contradictory to some, but they needn’t be. I have always held the beliefs of the Catholic Church, the most important of which I consider to be the law of love. It was only a matter of time before I became confused about how the Church expected me to love everyone, yet deny happiness to my homosexual brothers and sisters. For a while I supported the idea of civil unions and almost that of same-sex marriage as a whole. But had I done that, it would have been out of confusion and not conviction. I did not understand the debate at hand. My faith told me I should oppose same-sex marriage and society told me the only way to love my neighbor was by supporting it.

Then, in the midst of a very confusing time, I ran into book called, “What is Marriage? Man and Woman: A Defense.” It frequently explained the position of traditional marriage supporters with purely secular arguments. Although the authors were Catholic, their reasons for traditional marriage were not based on religious conviction, but on a logical reasoning about why society has and needs marriage. It was a life changer for me. Not only was I, for the first time, truly convinced by the traditional marriage argument, but I transformed the way I look as marriage as a whole. I learned that marriage can only be between a man and a woman not because society decides so, but because it’s in the basic essence of it. To say marriage is also be tween two members of the same sex, or between more than two people, or not a permanent and exclusive union would be to redefine the understanding of marriage itself. It would no longer be marriage, just some thing called by the same name. The debate is not about equality (who can marry) but rather about redefinition (what it means to marry).

Nevertheless, my intention in this letter is not to defend traditional marriage, but rather to defend the well-intentioned group of people who fight for it. President Obama himself has said that there are people of goodwill on both sides of this legitimate debate. I do not deny that there are also mean-spirited people fueled by anti-gay sentiment supporting traditional marriage, but that’s not everyone and I dare say the hateful are probably the minority. I oppose those ill-intentioned people entirely and think they are wrong in their reasoning. Yet, I can say with full certainty that many people who support traditional marriage do not do so out of hatred or intolerance, but rather out of love for society. I know I do. I believe traditional marriage is essential for the sake of children and their families, and I would be betraying the members of society who I am called to love, gay and straight alike, if I did not defend what I believe to be right. May I add that many gay and bisexual individuals also share this point of view. I do not expect all people to agree with me on what marriage is and what it isn’t. Diversity of ideas is key to a healthy society. What I expect of people, especially of the members of this great university, is to respect the ideas of others and to listen to them. Let’s do away with hate speech on both sides of the debate and instead promote the tolerance we all so fervently desire. Let’s be open to respectful dialogue on the difficult questions and keep in mind that good-intentioned people can hold different ideas and perspectives.

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As finals draw near and Christmas is just around the corner, it’s time to take advantage of the plethora of holiday movies on Netflix to get yourself in the Christmas mood (and avoid studying). ABC Family’s 25 Days of Christmas shows us that there’s nothing quite like movies to get into the holiday spirit — and that the classics are absolutely the best.

Michael Curtiz’s 1954 “White Christmas” follows two army privates ten years after World War II. They’ve started a musical act, “Wallace and Davis,” together and become rather famous. After they receive a letter from another member of their division, they head down to Florida to see his sisters’ act. Davis (Danny Kaye) quickly decides to set up Wallace (Bing Crosby) with one of the sisters, Betty (Rosemary Clooney) and enlists the other’s, Judy, played by Vera-Ellen help in the effort. Wallace and Davis end up following the sisters up to Vermont ski lodge, which happens to be run by their former commander, General Waverly. Like South Bend this winter, the snow has all melted since Thanksgiving and the ski resort is entirely empty. Worried for their sisters, Betty (Rosemary Clooney) and Judy’s continuous attempts to set up Wallace and Davis enlist Betty and Judy’s help in a plan to restart the general’s inn. Punctuating the plans to help the General are Davis and Judy’s continuous attempts to set up Wallace and Betty, which ends up including a fake engagement and driving Betty to take a new job in New York City. The romantic mix-ups are hilarious, especially when it becomes clear that despite his desires for Wallace, Davis is equally frightened by the concept of commitment. The best part of this movie is the singing-dancing duos that are created by both the male and female pairs. Bing Crosby is excellent vocally and Danny Kaye shows off his fancy footwork. Rosemary Clooney and Vera-Ellen work similarly to balance each other. Perhaps the best scenes in the movie come when Danny Kaye and Vera-Ellen combine forces to create some rather fun and incredible dancing scenes. Similarly, Bing Crosby and Rosemary Clooney team up for some lovely duets throughout the movie.

The plot line is often obscured by fancy singing-and-dancing scenes, which are purportedly rehearsals for the final Christmas Eve performance at the General’s ski resort. Still, this is exactly what makes this movie fun (and perfect for studying — you can definitely follow it even while working on your final paper or finishing practice problem sets).

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RIFF RAAFF’s latest record “Neon Icon” is number zero on my top albums of 2014 list. It’s better than every other album and it’s also worse than every other album. It defies classification. It is a stereotype. It is “Iceberg Simpson Tip Toe Wing In Ya Jawdinz.” It costs less than $15 – but makes my heart pounding. It is a product of charisma. It resonates with me like p ower ranger with a working knowledge of the universe’s one, only, one that makes a great case for RIFF RAAFF’s cult following. I know that I speak for my fellow RIFF RAAFF fans when I say the world of RIFF RAAFF can sometimes feel sadly distant. I just don’t have the dough to pick myself up a Dolce & Gabbana cologne and I probably never will. But have no fear! RIFF RAAFF constantly references fashion houses and cologne in his raps, giving away the secrets of the high olfactory aura. The second half of this article is here to have you “Smelling Like Miami,” whatever the heck that means.

**DOLCE & GABANNA**

Any RIFF RAAFF fan’s secret dream is to rock Dolce & Gabbana. After all, if you were to walk into RIFF RAAFF and you weren’t wearing it, Highroller wouldn’t, uh, chill with you. Thankfully, the Highroller knows what he’s talking about — Dolce & Gabbana makes some quality cologne. Representing the more subdued side of RIFF, Dolce & Gabbana’s “The One” will have any girl using the VIP Pass to Your Heart. A subtle, sexy blend of understated spices, amber, tobacco and citrus, “The One” never overpowers the nose — only the soul. An alternative is “Light Blue Pour Homme,” a summery citrus that smells like the beach at sunrise. Obviously, the best thing about Dolce & Gabbana cologne is being able to ask random people, “How do I smell?” and right when they’re about to respond, yell “DOLCE & GABANNA.”

**JOOP**

RIFF RAAFF mentions the famed pink cologne during one of his first raps, “Larry Bird.” It’s a classic youthful blast of floral notes, cinnamon, vanilla, woods and whatever the heck else will have people turning their heads every time they pass you. RIFF RAAFF makes statements. So should you.

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**Best TV of 2014**

**Best KGB Operatives: “The Americans”**

This ’80s spy drama stars Keri Russell and Matthew Rhys as KGB officers undercover in suburban Washington, D.C. While the thrilling second season upped the suspense, it is Elizabeth and Phillipp’s marriage that remains the show’s emotional core. As their line of work begins to have repercussions on their American-born children, “The Americans” continues to beautifully explore the humanity of Soviet spies and what it means to be a parent and a spouse.

**Best TV Friendship: “Broad City”**

Not since “Louie” has a comedy had such fleshed-out characters from its first episode. Abbi Jacobson and Ilana Glazer’s fictional versions of themselves find endless entertainment in the mundanity of lives of two 20-something slackers. No TV characters this year made me laugh harder nor make me wish they were my best friends more.

**Most Underrated: “Mad Men”**

In the first half of its seventh season this year, “Mad Men” somehow became the most underrated drama on television. As America descended into the chaos of 1969, Don Draper continued his descent into unhappiness — and the seven episodes that aired this year were as great as the show has ever been.

**Best Terrible People: “You’re the Worst”**

While the broadcast networks gambled on rom-coms this fall, it was FX’s comedy about two selfish Silver Lake hipsters that best portrayed romance on TV. Underneath the cynical facade of Chris Geere and Aya Cash’s characters is a fairly conventional narrative — two people falling for each other despite their best efforts to keep their relationship casual — that still manage to be surprising and hilarious.

**Best Unnecessary Adaptation of a Film: “Fargo”**

Noah Hawley’s FX adaptation of the Coen brothers’ film brings the quirks of small-town Minnesota to the small-screen. The miniseries take the film’s basic premise and steer it in its own direction, becoming a compelling show about the decency of human beings in the face of a freezing landscape and a sinister hit man.

**Best Dysfunctional Family: “Transparent”**

Jill Soloway’s brilliant Amazon series focuses on the Pfefferman family, as Maura (the amazing Jeffrey Tambor) comes out to her adult children as a trans woman and begins her transition after a lifetime pretending to be someone else. The show has a languid pace and gorgeous cinematography reminiscent of independent film; it slowly reveals its layers over 10 episodes as Maura and her children all explore their identities in ways both poignant and funny.

**Best Fictional Place: Shondaland**

This ’80s sitcom parody justified Adult Swim’s 4 a.m. time slot as a testing ground for absurd one-offs. Over the course of its 11 minutes, this piece of pop culture nostalgia becomes a surreal, macabre piece of art through sheer repetition of its endlessly catchy theme song. If the legalization of marijuana means more bizarre late night programing like “Too Many Cooks,” bring it on.

**Best Weed Dealer: “High Maintenance”**

Each episode of this Vimeo series provides a glimpse into a different client of a New York pot dealer, played by creator Ben Sinclair. These fantastic character studies mine the depths of why people smoke weed, running the gamut from humorous to heartbreaking.


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**WALK THE MOON’S ‘TALKING IS HARD’**

By ERIN MCAULIFFE

When you meet someone from the same hometown or school as you, you instantly have favorite foods, sport rivalries and local news in common with them. It’s an instant bond.

For example, watching football is much more enjoyable now that I can think, “Oh, hey he’s in my finance class” or “I tripped in front of that guy last week.”

(Although, this common bond is prone to discordance as Charles Manson went to my high school.)

Walk the Moon is a four-person indie-pop band from Cincinnati — my hometown. Before they made it big with their 2010 single “Anna Sun” — the one-take dance fueled music video has over 10 million views on YouTube — they did free concerts around Cincinnati. The audience would paint their faces with the extra face paint they would bring (a signature to their concerts) and enjoy their energetic stage presence that drew hordes of devoted fans to every sweaty concert.

At the Bunbury Music Festival in Cincinnati in 2013, their set was more exciting and engaging than bigger, more experienced bands like Fun, or MGMT. It was during this set that they announced they were in the process of recording their next album — and it was released Nov.

28 with early streaming available on Spotify.

“Talking is Hard” is the up-tempo, danceable album I’ve been waiting for. The record mixes the band’s signature pop beats with eighties stylings and lively lyrics. The radio and parties have both picked up the single “Shut Up and Dance” — and it requires you to do just that. However, belting out the catchy lyrics is also an option.

“Up 2 U” builds into a Chris Martin-esque falsetto that drops into a scrappy guitar and drum jam session. Although somewhat jarring, it fulfills the ideal of the “this is the best part” music listening mentality.

“Down in the Dumps” features a heavy eighties influence, with synth keyboard riffs that sound like they could fit in Gary Numan’s 1979 hit single “Cars.” The eighties influence is a little much, however, frontman Nicholas Petricca’s vocals carry the track out of the past and into today’s danceable, shout along realms.

“Work This Body” has a tribal feel with bongos and swirly chants and bird-calls, adding depth to the album. “Spend Your $5” offers a funny, ironic commentary on today’s consumerist culture with lyrics like, “So I shop my face off at Urban / just trying to look a little more like myself” and “I’m not sure what’s more disarming / than fake breasts and miniature terriers.”

Songs like “We Are The Kids,” “Portugal” and “Come Under The Covers” instill that wanderlust, young love, “this is probably on someone’s Pinterest board” feel. The breathy, slowed down “Aquaman” will leave you envisioning “slow dancing in the darkness” as you dive deep into love with this album.

The danceable melodies and charming lyrics leave this album at the borderline between indie and trying-too-hard-to-be-indie pop, but the strong vocals, inventive guitar and drum parts and overall consistent strength of the album prove it to be more than a frilly work that will produce a couple of Billboard singles.

“Talking is Hard” is an upbeat,chants album you will have you jumping, singing and moonwalking.

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Aaron’s Holiday Wish List

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Music City
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Kelly said the desire to play in a new region of the country factored into Notre Dame’s bowl preferences although the ultimate decision came down to conference tie-ins and bowl committee members.

“If geographically there's a preference, we'd like to continue to explore areas that we haven't been to before," he said. "... We knew that an SEC matchup would be most favorable, and then certainly it became outside of our control what that ultimate matchup would be with the SEC because of how they tier their football teams.”

Facing the Tigers will be a tough test, but one Notre Dame is looking forward to, Kelly said. “There's no sense going into this bowl game situation and feeling like you're not going to be challenged," he said. "I feel like there are matchups there that don't give you the same kind of challenge. This is one that we wanted.”

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Fall action concludes, Reaney earns silver medal

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Notre Dame found success all over the country — the world, in fact — this weekend. The swimming team picked up 13 NCAA ‘B’ cuts at the times Texas Invitational, the diving program earned six top-four finishes at the Hawkeye Invitational and senior Emma Reaney earned Notre Dame’s first ever FINA Short Course Championship medal in Doha, Qatar.

“We swam faster than we had all season [in Texas],” Irish interim coach Tim Welsh said. “In most cases than we swam faster than we had anytime in 2014, so it was a very good meet for us.”

Reaney, already the most decorated Notre Dame swimmer in the program’s history, added a silver medal in international waters as part of Team USA’s 200-meter medley relay. The team set an American record in the event and qualified for the ‘A’ final in the 50-meter breaststroke, placing sixth in the world.

“Everything that Emma has done nationally and internation-ally just raises the profile of Notre Dame and certainly strengthens her chances and her opportunities looking ahead to further international meets,” Irish coach Tim Welsh said. “This is a giant step for her. No other Notre Dame swimmer has been to this meet so she’s the first Notre Dame swimmer to compete at this meet… We are just so proud of all that she has done.”

Diver Allison Casareto swept the top spots in the Hawkeye Invitational behind a meet-record performance Friday in the 1-meter event. She proceeded to record a narrow victory over junior teammate Lindsey Strepey on the 3-meter board. Strepey also finished second in the 1-meter dive, while fellow junior Emma Gaboury placed fourth in the 1-meter and then third on the higher board.

“Allison had just a phenomen-al diving meet,” Welsh said. “They went 1-2-3 [Saturday], and the whole diving team had just a terrific meet.”

In Austin, Texas, swimming closed its fall season with 13 times that are now up for NCAA consideration, Welsh said. NCAA ‘A’ cuts earn a swimmer automatic berths in to the NCAA national championship meet in the spring, while the remaining spots that are not filled with ‘A’ cuts go to the fastest ‘B’ cut times.

“This was a big step forward for us,” Welsh said. “But there’s a lot to go, and there’s a lot of preparation that we still have to do and there’s a higher level of achievement that we want to ac-complish. This is a great end to the first semester.”

Junior Catherine Galletti earned ‘B’ cuts in the 100-yard butterfly and backstroke races while sophomore Catherine Mulgannon joined her in the 50-yard freestyle, 100-yard freestyle and backstroke events. Senior Courtney Whyte was fast enough in the 100-yard butterfly and backstroke as well as the 200-yard butterfly, and freshman Katie Miller was the fourth Irish swimmer to earn multiple cuts, earning consideration in the 100- and 200-yard backstroke.

Freshman Sherri McIntee (200-yard breaststroke), junior Genevieve Bradford (200-yard breaststroke) and senior Bridget Casey (200-yard butterfly) also earned ‘B’ cut times.

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The team set an American record in the event and qualified for the ‘A’ final in the 50-meter breaststroke, placing sixth in the world.

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Diver Allison Casareto swept the top spots in the Hawkeye Invitational behind a meet-record performance Friday in the 1-meter event. She proceeded to record a narrow victory over junior teammate Lindsey Strepey on the 3-meter board. Strepey also finished second in the 1-meter dive, while fellow junior Emma Gaboury placed fourth in the 1-meter and then third on the higher board.

“Allison had just a phenom-enal diving meet,” Welsh said. “They went 1-2-3 [Saturday], and the whole diving team had just a terrific meet.”

In Austin, Texas, swimming closed its fall season with 13 times that are now up for NCAA consideration, Welsh said. NCAA ‘A’ cuts earn a swimmer automatic berths in to the NCAA national championship meet in the spring, while the remaining spots that are not filled with ‘A’ cuts go to the fastest ‘B’ cut times.

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Irish finish second in Iowa

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Sports Writer

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1:13 into the final period to tie the game up at 3-3 off an assist from Hinostroza. It was Lucia’s 10th goal of the season. After giving four games without a point, Hinostroza halted his skid with two assists Friday night and three more Saturday. Jackson said he was pleased with the production of his second line consisting of Lucia, Hinostroza and senior right winger Austin Wuthrich, but also that he expects more of them moving forward. Wuthrich added a goal of his own in the second period Friday, also off of an assist from Hinostroza, to tie the game 2-2.

“Vinnie [Hinostroza] had a good weekend,” Jackson said. “It was real encouraging to see that line, all being productive. That’s what we need from them. We need them to be a top-two type of line. They have to be able to play those kind of minutes and be productive. The next step is for them to be more consistent in being productive on the power play.”

After earning the Friday night start, sophomore goaltender Chad Katunar struggled between the pipes Friday, Jackson said, as he gave up five goals on 25 shots. Katunar added a goal of his own in the second period Friday, also off of an assist from Hinostroza, to tie the game 2-2.

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“Still a little bit of an issue with the power play,” Jackson said. “We had a lot of opportunities and only scored one goal, on a five-on-three. So it’s still an area of concern that we have to continue to try and progress on.”

The offensive production Notre Dame displayed this weekend was a good sign going into break, Jackson said, adding that the team placed themselves in a good position in Hockey East for the second half.

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“We have older guys who know every game counts,” Grant said. “Some may be bigger than others, but every game counts as a win or a loss so we came in focused.”

The Irish rebounded their lead to 18 points after Connaughton knocked down three of his team-high 19 points with 12:24 remaining in the second half. Notre Dame led by as much as 20 over the final 12 minutes, yet the Knights used strong 3-point shooting to keep the game interesting, drawing within 11 points on a shot from downtown by freshman guard Marques Townes with 6:43 to play. The Irish went on a 9-0 run to push the lead to 20, however, and seized control for good.

Freshman guard Matt Farrell, who entered the matchup averaging 4.8 minutes per game, matched that figure in the first half alone, entering the period with just over four minutes remaining. When asked why he brought in the freshman so early, Brey said he wanted to see how Farrell played with sophomore guard V.J. Beachem out with a foot injury.

“He’s just another perimeter player and I wanted to look at that,” Brey said. “It was a really good matchup because they are small and they were playing four guards. … We have a logjam of forwards and we wanted to get a guard in there and evaluate that this week.”

Farrell saw eight total minutes on the night, finishing with three points. Despite a large size disparity between the two teams, Notre Dame was unable to translate its advantage into substantial control of the boards. Led by junior forward Zach Auguste’s 11 rebounds, the Irish only out-rebounded the Knights 41-30. Auguste did register a double-double on the night, matching his rebound total with 11 points. The solid performance after a tough game against Michigan State was very important, Auguste said.

“I was looking forward to bouncing back from last game,” Auguste said. “We had a great team win [against Michigan State], but individually I wanted to help out the team.”

“I told [Aubre] before the game, ‘Be the leading rebounder,’” Brey said. “That’s a great way to bounce back, and getting 11 rebounds, I thought he really tried to digest that. … He was strong around the basket and he was active getting the ball off the backboard on both ends.”

Notre Dame continues its non-conference play Tuesday when it hosts Mount St. Mary’s at 7 p.m. at Purcell Pavilion.

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Euthanasia: An International Perspective

A Lecture by John Keown
Monday, December 8
5:00 pm
Room 1130 of Eck Hall of Law

John Keown is the Rose F. Kennedy Professor of Christian Ethics at the Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University. This year he is the Mary Ann Remick Senior Visiting Fellow at the Center for Ethics and Culture here at Notre Dame.

Keown is perhaps the world’s leading authority on the ethics and law pertaining to euthanasia. His many published works on the subject include: Debating Euthanasia (with Emily Jackson), published in 2012 by Hart, and Euthanasia Examined: Ethical, Clinical and Legal Perspectives (Cambridge 2002).
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Happy Birthday! You’ve got plenty of choices, so think big while remaining realistic. This combination will help you reach your goals successfully. Adaptability is your saving grace, and chance will keep you from getting stuck. Listen carefully, do your research and stick to the facts, and you will bypass any unnecessary mishap raised by vague conversations. Love is highlighted. Your numbers are 6, 10, 13, 27, 34, 44.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get together with people you find mentally stimulating. Enjoy sharing information and you will find a way to make positive changes to the way you live. Don’t let someone you work with bully you. Use your intelligence to outmaneuver an aggressor. ♦ ♦ ♦

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Tie up loose ends. Financial gains can be made if you invest in yourself. Add to your skills or knowledge and you will be able to apply for a better position. Talking with someone you respect will lead to a new opportunity. ♦ ♦ ♦

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Strive to reach personal goals. Self-improvement will result in compliments. Stand up to anyone who gets in your way. Your knowledge and experience will be put to work with others who will buy you time. Romance looks promising. ♦ ♦ ♦

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Release to let your emotions take over. Listen carefully and take care of your responsibilities. Someone will take advantage of you if you don’t clearly state what you will and won’t do. Put yourself on the line and be consistent. ♦

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Add a little extravagance to your life. Plan a trip or indulge in something you’ve never done before. Open your mind to learning new skills that can be incorporated into your resume. Stop dreaming and start doing. Love is beckoning you. ♦♦♦

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Hold on to what you’ve got. Don’t give in to someone pressuring you to spend your money. You can make an investment, but stay within your means. Do what feels right and works for you. Personal problems will be based on false information. ♦ ♦ ♦

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Get out and meet new people. A partnership or investment, but stay within your means. Do what feels right and works for you. Personal problems will be based on false information. ♦ ♦ ♦

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Getting ready for the holiday season. You can make financial gains if you take advantage of you if you don’t clearly state what you will and won’t do. Put yourself on the line and be consistent. ♦ ♦ ♦

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Improve your surroundings and start gaining new friends. The future looks bright for you. Assurance is coming your way. Long-term goals are on the rise. Love is highlighted. Your numbers are 1, 3, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Mill over any suggestions without feeling the need to rush. You are not a decision-maker. Don’t fall for the tactics used by someone who wants you manipulated emotionally. It’s OK to waffle if the people involved are not exactly who they say they are. ♦ ♦ ♦

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Give whoever you do your best shot and hand them the ball. A partnership will help you reach your goals. A promotion, change of status or recognition will give you the confidence you need to succeed. Extra income will be visible. ♦♦♦

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Work on creative endeavors that can bring in financial gain. Someone will put themselves on the line and be consistent. Love looks promising. ♦ ♦ ♦

BIRTHDAY BABY: You are aggressive and challenging. You are a lover and a crusader.

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Irish set for Music City Bowl against LSU

By BRIAN HARTNETT
Managing Editor

After a season of games played around the country, Notre Dame’s final test this year will be against an SEC opponent in SEC country, as it was announced Sunday that the Irish will meet No. 22 LSU in the Franklin American Mortgage Music City Bowl in Nashville, Tennessee, on Dec. 30.

“I know our guys were really excited about the news and the matchups we’ll have in the Music City Bowl,” Irish head coach Brian Kelly said at a press conference Sunday night. “Playing in a great town in Nashville and in another NFL stadium really is an exciting opportunity for us.”

Notre Dame (7-5) and LSU (8-4) have met 10 times, with each team earning five wins. The Irish are capable of doing, “They played us tough in the first half, the Irish used a 17-8 run to go along with a team-high four assists. russo had two goals and five assists on the weekend, one of whom was a top-10 player in the country.

Russo’s two goals took him left to close the game out 7-5. He finished in the paint. Senior forward Zach Auguste goes up for a shot in Notre Dame’s 75-57 victory over Fairleigh Dickinson on Dec. 6.

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Connecticut runs away with win

By MARY GREEN
Sports Editor

It was a rare phenomenon at Purcell Pavilion on Saturday, featuring a crowd that was largely quiet for the second half and some fans that started to filter out before the final buzzer. It was an even rarer phenomenon that those fans saw No. 2 Notre Dame lose for the first time in 34 home games and 60 regular-season games, as No. 3 Connecticut handed the Irish their first loss of the season, 76-58.

The Irish (8-1) faced the Huskies (6-1) without freshman forward Brianna Turner, who suffered a right shoulder injury against Maryland on Wednesday. Turner’s absence showed, with Connecticut dominating the boards, earning 32 rebounds to No. 22 Notre Dame’s 34, and the paint, collecting 44 points down low compared to 28 for the Irish.

“Defensively, I was really disappointed in our effort,” Irish coach Muffett McGraw said. “I thought our front defense was poor. … Obviously, the game was, I thought, lost on the boards, and that was a big key for us. We just went soft, and so it was very disappointing.”

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