Vigil to remember Muslim-American lives
Muslim Student Association will honor lives of slain Muslim-American students

By EMILY McCONVILLE
News Writer

"Vigil for Peace," an inter-faith prayer service planned for Monday night, will honor the lives of three Muslim-Americans killed in a shooting last Tuesday in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

The service, sponsored by the Muslim Students Association (MSA) and Campus Ministry, will take place tonight at 9 p.m. in the lounge of the Coleman-Morse Center.

The vigil will remember Deah Shaddy Barakat, a 23-year-old University of North Carolina (UNC) student, his 21-year-old wife, Yusor Mohammad Abu-Salha, a graduate of North Carolina State University; and her sister, 19-year-old Razan Mohammad Abu-Salha, a student at North Carolina State University. They were killed in their apartment near UNC on Tuesday evening.

The alleged shooter, Craig Stephen Hicks, was charged with three counts of first-degree murder. On Thursday, the F.B.I. began an inquiry, which includes exploring the possibility that the act was a religiously-motivated hate crime.

Sophomore Faisal Shariff, MSAs vice president of social affairs, said the purpose of the service is for people to uncover the truth and report it accurately.

SMC hosts social media week

By OLIVIA JACKSON
News Writer

Saint Mary’s has launched an initiative this week to engage students through the College’s social media sites and hosting educational events to help students use social media to enter the workforce. Director of Career Crossings Stacie Jeffirs said Social Media Week is modeled after a national initiative.

Several other colleges and universities have also implemented a week-long program to highlight various aspects and impacts of social media,” she said. “The Saint Mary’s Social Media Week planning committee felt as though these issues and topics are of great relevance to our students, and this led to us creating a week of programming to address these topics and issues.”

Director of the Belles Against Violence Office Connie Adams said the

Lecture ties Catholic values and investing

By CLARE KOSSLER
News Writer

Sr. Helen Alford, economics professor at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome, discussed how Catholic Social Tradition (CST) and impact investing mutually benefit one another as a result of interdisciplinary dialogue during the latest installment of the “Ten Years Hence” lecture series Friday in the Mendoza College of Business.

“impact investing has something to offer the Catholic Social Tradition, and the Catholic Social Tradition has something to offer impact investing,” she said.

Impact investing, a form of investing which integrates environmental and social objectives with the pursuit of profit, can assist CST in being “reliable, concrete and relevant,” Alford said. Conversely, CST prompts other disciplines — particularly impact investing — to embrace notions of human dignity and the common good, which Alford said are informed by Catholic teaching.

Specifically, impact investing helps explore sustainable business methods for attaining philanthropic

Arts and Letters celebrates sixth annual SonnetFest

By KATIE GAIJITO
News Writer

Shakespeare at Notre Dame and the College of Arts and Letters will host the sixth annual SonnetFest in the Great Hall of O’Shaughnessy today from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Members of the Notre Dame community are encouraged to stop by and listen to the public reading of Shakespeare’s 154 sonnets.

Peter Holland, Notre Dame’s McMeel Family professor in Shakespeare studies and associate dean for the arts, said SonnetFest is a unique celebration of love and Valentine’s Day.

“I think this sequence of sonnets is the greatest love poetry that exists in the English language,” he said.

“Not because it all reads like Hallmark cards but exactly the opposite. It shows that love is full of a remarkable range of emotions.”

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QUESTION OF THE DAY:
Who is your ideal Valentine’s Day date?

Ariel Navotas
Sophomore
Welsh Family Hall
“Joe Moran.”

John Olson
Senior
Duncan Hall
“Katy Perry.”

Julianne Carson
Senior
Walsh Hall
“Matt McGlynn.”

Michelle Bartlett
Junior
Cavanaugh Hall
“My boyfriend, Joe.”

Patrick Krach
Senior
Alumni Hall
“Keira Knightley.”

Stephen Klotter
Senior
Walsh Hall
“Jim Halpert.”

Residents of Keenan Hall perform during the Hall’s signature event, “Revue’s Clues: A Private Investigation.” The event ran throughout the weekend, with a lineup of skits and shenanigans organized entirely by Knights.
Lecture profiles Irish secret society

By CLARE KOSSLER
News Writer

The Keough-Naughton Institute for Irish Studies host- ed graduate student Jessica Lumsden for the Shamrocks and Secrets lecture series, which focused on early 19th century Ireland and the growth of a secret and frequently violent society known as the Ribbonmen.

Although many rumors concerning the Ribbonmen still circulate, Lumsden said there are only a few established facts on the society and consequently little historical investigation into the subject.

“What we do have is we have many, many police reports; we have letters of gentlemen who were actively investigating the Ribbonmen; we have newspaper coverage of Ribbon crimes; we have a collection of captured passwords and oaths and signs,” she said. “So you have all these things that indicate what Ribbonmen were up to or at least what they thought they were up to.”

Lumsden said much of what we know about Ribbonism comes from the personal testimonies of informers claiming to be part of the society, as well as scattered references to Ribbonmen in Irish literature. The sources reveal Ribbonmen operated on both a local and national level, she said. On the local level, Ribbonism was primarily agrarian and the Ribbonmen were involved in “trying to control local trade, local land, local politics and do some local policing of the community.”

On the national level, Lumsden said Ribbonism supported the nationalist movement and worked to repeal the Act of Union that both declared Ireland a part of Great Britain and merged the British and Irish parliaments.

“Ribbonmen are actually critically important to Irish history, and they’re forgotten for a number of reasons,” she said. Emerging from the remains of a previous secret society known as the Defenders, the exclusively Catholic Ribbonmen became active around 1810 and gained traction between 1816 and 1824, Lumsden said.

Violence was a key component of Ribbonism, and Lumsden said members often left “coffin notices” containing death threats. The 1816 murders at Wildgoose Lodge, in which the Ribbonmen burned alive an informant and his family, cemented Ribbonism’s status as a powerful secret society characterized by violence.

“It caused uproar in Ireland,” she said. “This was violence that was not unknown, but it was violence that was attached to this secret society that was a new secret society, so that gave it some weight.”

Lumsden said following a schism which divided the Ribbonmen into two factions — the Dublin Ribbonmen and the Ulster Ribbonmen — the capture and trial of the secretary of the Dublin Ribbonmen resulted in the collapse of Dublin Ribbonism.

“The Ulster Ribbonmen disintegrated soon after, she said, and by the mid-19th century, Ribbonism no longer occupied the position of power it once held.”

“The specter of Ribbonism really gets broken after the 1840s,” she said. The Ribbonmen’s legacy lies in their intricate national network, which Lumsden said enabled the persistence of Irish nationalism.

“These Ribbonmen built this diasporic network of Irish nationalism and fed that fire and kept that network alive so that it could be used by later national- alist groups,” she said. “The Ribbonmen keep alive this nationalism, and then they spread it.”

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Alumna connects passion and career

By GABRIELA MALEPSIN
News Writer

Kristin Boyd, director of Credit Suisse and member of the Notre Dame class of 2005, delivered a keynote address that focused on the importance of finding fulfillment, friendship and passion when developing a career. Her presentation was the culmination of the seventh annual Undergraduate Women in Business (UWIB) Professional Development Conference.

During the keynote, which explored her experiences leading up to her career at Credit Suisse, Boyd explained how her time at Notre Dame provided both a foundation in business focused on ethics and flexibility that allowed her to succeed in the business world.

“Notre Dame gave me the moral foundation that I needed to navigate my career,” she said. “Some of the things that I learned here are the importance of ethics above all else … while Notre Dame didn’t explicitly prepare me to sell complex equity derivatives, it did prepare me for a career on Wall Street during a period of crisis and rapid change.”

Boyd said her experiences with peers and mentors both strengthened her connections in her career and provided her with invaluable support during the transition from college to the workforce. She said her experience as an intern with several fellow undergraduate women allowed her to overcome insecurities related to her abilities and capacities in the workplace.

“I encourage you as you’re thinking about jobs and career paths [that] this group of peer friends is really important,” she said. “They’re different from mentors and sponsors in that these are people who can really make the difference during those tough times.”

Finding fulfillment in her career was a journey, Boyd said, and certain periods in her career forced her to question how she could find longer term fulfillment in her chosen path.

Boyd said the encouragement she received from her boss allowed her to gain a new perspective on ways to find fulfillment in her career and led her to become more heavily involved in philanthropic efforts, which included work on the junior committee of New York City’s Inner-City Scholarship Fund.

Boyd said pursuits in these areas, as well as photography, motivated her to stay in her career.

“While most people don’t describe sales and trading as personally rewarding or fulfilling, for me it’s taken some time to figure out what a fulfilling career path means to me, and the answer to that is something more difficult than what I expected,” she said. “I thought I had to quit my job and become a travel photographer or work at an education non-profit in order to find fulfillment in my career.”

Boyd said she encourages women to reflect on the direction they hope their ca- reers will take, spend time developing a list of goals they hope to achieve during their lives and evaluate whether their career paths can make these goals possible.

“Whether you stay at the same job or move to a new job or new firm, as many of you will at some point, you’ll find your focus may need to shift to a seven-year plan, which encompasses not only the job you’re doing now but the life you want to lead and that needs to be in harmony with your job,” she said.

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Nursing student analyzes prison healthcare

By MACAILA DeMARIO
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The latest event in Saint Mary’s “Justice Fridays” series featured junior nursing student Annie McGarrigle, who offered her perspective on healthcare in United States prisons.

“I wanted to talk about this topic because I am a big believer in human dignity in the hospital setting as well as outside the hospital,” she said. “The ideas of healthcare regarding inmates really interest me, but more importantly, they really concern me.”

On an international scale, McGarrigle said prisons in the United States host more inmates than any other nation.

“The prison population in the United States is the greatest in the world with about 750 people for 100,000,” she said, “Whereas in places like India, it’s 80 people for 100,000 and China 118, and then in Russia it’s 628.

“In total there are more than 1.5 million people incarcerated each year, and 650,000 inmates are released each year as well.”

During the discussion, McGarrigle said the nation’s infrastructure is not meant to contain this many inmates, and therefore, they are not getting the correct amount and type of care.

“In the United States, the Department of Correction estimates that it’s holding 50 percent more people than it’s designed to, and that’s really dangerous because the people that are receiving care in this facility are more likely to have substance abuse issues, mental health problems, are more likely to have STDs and to be at risk for unplanned pregnancies,” she said. “So it’s really important that they’re receiving the care they deserve.”

Along with the recent budget cuts, jails in the U.S. are acting as more than just correction facilities, McGarrigle said.

“Our jails actually act more like hospitals, asylums, drug treatment facilities and retirement homes,” she said. “A lot of the people who can’t afford to do rehab treatment centers actually tend to commit crimes just to go to jail so they can receive the medication that they wouldn’t get on the outside.”

McGarrigle said one in seven inmates also takes prescription drugs prior to incarceration.

“Twenty-one percent of the federal inmates, 24 percent of the state inmates and 37 percent of the local inmates stopped taking those medications when they were incarcerated, which is also really dangerous because medications work by providing a steady amount of chemicals in the blood stream,” she said. “And so if you stop that, you’re going to get withdrawals, causing more problems than you started with, and may end up back in the system shortly after.”

McGarrigle said it is also possible to help women in prison by using their sentence as a window of opportunity to provide them with the healthcare they need and may not be able to receive otherwise.

“They could be getting the required reproductive screenings they need,” she said. “Cervical cancer, breast cancer screenings, STI tests, HIV testing, all of that provided by a federal or state prison would make much of a difference to the women who are either staying there in the prison or going home.”

Education is power, McGarrigle said, and it is especially important in prisons.

“One of the really great things the United States has going for it is called DTAP, which is the Drug Treatment Center in New York City,” she said. “It offers residential, long-term treatment for non-violent, repeat offenders, and it’s actually shown to be really cost effective.”

McGarrigle said she is considering bringing her own nursing talents to help in jails after graduation.

“I think that everyone’s capable of love,” she said. “I think everybody’s deserving of love, and so regardless of someone’s past, I think that they should receive the best care possible. And I also think they should receive the care that I would.”

“The moral of the story is that no one is exactly right, and no one knows exactly how to treat this situation, but all I know is that there’s definitely room for improvement, and I think that we can all agree upon that no matter your political standpoint on it all.”

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Junior Annie McGarrigle presents on healthcare in prisons as part of the Justice Fridays series during lunchtime at Saint Mary’s.
SMC supports St. Margaret's House Winter Walk

By NICOLE CARATAS

A team of Saint Mary’s stu-
dents participated in the 11th
annual St. Margaret’s House Winter Walk. The one-mile fundraising event intended to raise awareness and improve the lives of lo-
cal women struggling with poverty.

Founded in 1990, St. Margaret’s House launched celebrations for its 25th an-
niversary with the Winter Walk this weekend, Saint Mary’s team organizer and senior Sarah Hossfeld said.

“St. Margaret’s House pro-
vides each individual with atten-
tion, helping to break the bonds of isolation, empower them and encourage them to find their strengths rather than be defined by their current struggles,” she said.

According to the St. Margaret’s House website, the location “comfortable place where women and children can receive a hot meal, clothing and help to develop a plan to grow and create life for themselves and their families.”

“The purpose of the St. Margaret’s House Winter Walk is to walk a mile in soli-
darity with the women and children of St. Margaret’s House who everyday
means of transportation are their feet, in any kind of weather,” Hossfeld said. “It also marks the donor of the year for St. Margaret’s House.”

It is important for members of the Saint Mary’s and great-
ern South Bend communities to participate in the walk in order to demonstrate local love and support toward the guests, Hossfeld said.

“The guests of St. Margaret’s House are all women or girls who have
hit a hard time in their lives, and I think that it is really important for people to see that,” she said. “Walking shows our support for the guests and allows the staff of St. Margaret’s House to con-
tinue doing the great work that it does.”

People often distance themselves from what hap-
pens in the world around them, but Hossfeld said par-
ticipating in the walk has the poten-
tial to open their eyes to the struggles of others.

“Walking a mile on a cold winter day, the walkers put things in perspective as we
complain about scraping our cars off in the morning or walk from Le Mans to Madeleva for class at 9 a.m.,” Hossfeld said.

This year, the walk also hon-
sors St. Agnes Anne Roberts, who served on the Board of Directors at the house for several years and partici-
pated as the first honorary chair for the walk, she said.

A participant for the past seven years, Roberts is also known as the top walker and
captain of the Sisters of the Holy Cross walk team. “This year, people who have thought so much to our organization: insight, ad
vice, a closer collabora-
itive relationship with Saint Mary’s and the Sisters of the Holy Cross,” Hossfeld said of Roberts.

“Her role as an advisor has continued the last several years as we have experienced tremendous growth.”

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Vigil

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of multiple faiths to unite against violence and begin a sustained discussion of is-

sue.

“The death of these three students is really tragic, and the last few months have been overwhelmingly violent acts,” he said. “It’s a chance to come together and make a stand against vio-

lence everywhere. All lives matter, as the hashtag goes, and just to remember these people, because they’re reg-

ular people, just like any of us. It’s not right, and it shouldn’t have happened at all.”

The service will include welcome remarks by Director of Campus Ministry Fr. Pete McCormick and sophomore Hind Ourabah, a reading of Al-Fatiha, the opening verses of the Quran, and a legacy, or reflection, on the lives of the victims.

Graduate student Aamir Ahmed Khan, MSA’s for-
mer president and a current member, said in the legacy, student and former residence hall director, Barakat and his work as a dentistry student.

He was very active in his loc-
ality, Khan said. “He was collecting dental supplies for charity purpos-
es, so I think many students at Notre Dame can relate to that. They have dedicated

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planning for Social Media Week was a collaborative ef-
cort across campus, includ-
ing groups such as Marketing Communications, Career
Crossings, Athletics and Recreation, Residency Life and Community Standards, Student Affairs, Belles Against Violence, Dining Services, Admissions, Gushwa-Leighton Library and Alumnae Relations.

Those [who were] part of the [original] commit-
tee identified other depart-
ments on campus which use social media extensively and faculty who oversee de-
partment social media sites and extended the opportu-
nity to collaborate on this week,” Adams said. “We also included students who are connected to departments and offices that work with students who use social media for more than just social use.

They had some great contri-
butions. It’s been an incre-
dibly collaborative effort and great fun.”

McCandless hall direc-
tor Kelley McCarthy said she is excited about Social Media Week because of how prominent social media has become.

“I love the influence so-
cial media has in today’s world,” she said. “You are able to connect with people from anywhere. My favorite use for social media is us-
ing it in my field of higher education.”

Jeffirs said she is look-
ing forward to bringing the power of social media to the attention of students this week.

“It’s in the context of prayer that we realize how much we have in common,” Dowd said. “It’s in the context of prayer that it is a God of love and a God of justice and a God of peace, and Christians believe in the context of prayer, we have an awareness of this. God speaks to us all in the context of prayer. We open ourselves. That’s what prayer is all about.”

Last Wednesday, several Notre Dame students and faculty attended a commu-
nity-wide prayer service at the Islamic Society of Michiana for both the Chapel Hill shooting victims and Kayla Mueller, an American aid worker who was taken hostage by ISIS in Syria and killed in February.

Khan said Monday’s ser-
vice will continue to provide support to Muslim students on campus.

“We want to channel the frustration or the concerns or any worries [and show] that the larger ND community is standing with the Muslim students,” he said. “I think it’s a wonderful opportunity for interfaith solidarity, that we are all one and that human life has dignity.”

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Kayla McCarthy said students should attend Social Media Week not only for the great prizes but also to better un-
derstand the impact their social media profiles have on their futures.

Jeffirs said Social Media Week will feature an alum-
nus and a visit from a Google ambassador and a panel on cyber-bullying, as well as other events.

“There are a broad range of topics and issues all re-
lated to various aspects of social media that we’ll be touching upon,” Jeffirs said. McCarthy said Money will also be taking part in the week’s events. To stay updat-
ed, students can follow the hashtag #Bellegestsocial.

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Scott Jackson, executive director of SonnetFest at Notre Dame, said SonnetFest traditionally features a num-
ber of diverse readings. In the past, sonnets have been read in Spanish, French, Italian, German, Russian, Chinese, Tagalog, American Sign Language, Morse Code, Klingon and Pardelontgou.

“This since is a College of Arts and Letters event, we’re bringing the depart-
ments within Arts and Letters,” he said. “That means there’s a lot of lan-
guage study. Shakespeare

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goals, Alford said. Finding money for philanthropy is so im-
portant, she said, because traditional charity cannot currently meet the needs of the impoverished.

“Nobody’s saying impact investing should get rid of charity,” she said. “It’s always going to be a role for charity.”

Impact investing can challenge the business-as-usual

institutions to think about the potentially
crucial role of profit-making

businesses expand and begin to

lose sight of the importance

of relationships for

the impoverished.

The potential for

impact investing can in turn benefit from

impact investing to learn

from one another is too
great to ignore. Alford said.

Because of their size and

influence, Catholic universi-
ties such as Notre Dame have

an important role to play in

encouraging the conversa-
tion between the two disci-
plines, she said.

“Noted in the tradition and Mendoza College are re-

sponding to the very exciting and important mission that Catholic uni-

versities have in societies today – offering very useful and new vistas for people in

Science

U.S. Government considers drone legislation

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WASHINGTON — The gov-

ernment is considering rules large-

ly favoring companies that

want to use small drones for

commercial purposes, accord-

ing to a federal analysis, poten-

tially leading to the widespread

flights by unmanned aircraft per-

forming aerial photography, crop monitoring, inspections of cell towers and bridges and other work.

An economic analy-

sis by Federal Aviation Adminis-

tration economists in an ad-

vertised review, the FAA said in a statement late Saturday that it will officially re-

lease the rules on Sunday.

The regulations would ap-

ply to drones weighing less than 55 pounds. They would improve safety by making small, lightweight unmanned aircraft instead of heavier, manned air-

craft that “pose a higher level of

risk,” the analysis said. It notes

that between 2004 and 2012, there were 95 fatalities involv-

ing climbers working on cell and other towers.

If the rules would prevent

only one fatality by using a small drone instead of a tower climber, the $9.2 million saved

— the amount the government says is the economic value of a single life — would exceed the

total cost of the regulations to society, according to the document.

The analysis does not offer a total estimate on the annual economic benefit of regula-

tions, but it would cost in

$100 million a year. For exam-

ple, about 45,000 annual bridge inspections could be conducted about, he said. “In a way, inspections currently employ hydraulic mobile cranes called “snippers.” The average cost of

snipping a bridge inspection is $3,250. Cable bridge inspec-

tions are even more expensive because they often require a

200-foot tower and terms to three years for the agency to

receive a certificate granting per-

mission to operate a drone. The agency estimates the cost to op-

erators of obtaining certificate at about $300.

A private pilot license can cost thousands of dollars because it requires

many hours of experi-

ence flying a plane.

Operators would have to keep

drone flights under 500 feet in

altitude, which is below where

most manned aircraft fly. That’s

100 feet higher than the agency

typically has approved in wait-

ers to commercial operators.

But the draft rules would still

prohibit drones from flying far-

ther away than they can be seen by their operator, and nighttime flights

would remain banned.

The line-of-sight require-

ment would preclude delivery

of the type envisioned by Amazon. Google is also experi-

menting with such drones.

Industry officials have chafed at both restrictions, saying they significantly reduce the useful-

ness of unmanned aircraft. The FAA’s concern is that with no pi-

lot on board, the operator on the ground is best able to prevent a

threat before they could ke-

p the drone in sight at all times.

Drone operators would also have to be checked out by the Transportation Security Administration to determine whether they pose a security

threat. The FAA is considering whether to require a security check, but one might be applied in the future, the analysis said.

Last month, a small drone flew over the White House fence and crashed on the lawn. Although the operator later came forward saying the inci-
dent was an accident, the epi-

sode has raised concern that

small drones might pose a se-

curity threat.

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Sonnets

ing poverty,” she said. “There’s

to the impoverished.

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sometime between Wadddick’s and the

discipline, she

said. “It’s a place of tran-

sonnetFest for

a couple of minutes,” he

said. “You can stay for one

poem, or you can listen to

30 sonnets. We’re just hop-

ing to broaden the culture of

Shakespeare here on

campus.”

Jackson said SonnetFest

is scheduled as close to

Valentine’s Day as possible

because Shakespeare’s son-

nets celebrate love in all

forms.

Within his 154 sonnets, Shakespe

are wrote about all dif-

ferent experiences in life at
different stages in life,”

Jackson said. “The common

theme that ties it all together

is the importance of love

in your life. Love is what makes

life worth living. There are

many poems that might be

about death or duplicity, but

they are all rooted in the

passion that one person has

for another.”

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The line-of-sight requirement would preclude delivery of the type envisioned by Amazon. Google is also experimenting with such drones.

Industry officials have chafed at both restrictions, saying they significantly reduce the usefulness of unmanned aircraft. The FAA’s concern is that with no pilot on board, the operator on the ground is best able to prevent a threat before they could keep the drone in sight at all times.

Drone operators would also have to be checked out by the Transportation Security Administration to determine whether they pose a security threat. The FAA is considering whether to require a security check, but one might be applied in the future, the analysis said.

Last month, a small drone flew over the White House fence and crashed on the lawn. Although the operator later came forward saying the incident was an accident, the episode has raised concern that small drones might pose a security threat.
Police say Copenhagen gunman had criminal past

By Richard Cottrell

The gunman who killed 12 people in Copenhagen had a history of violent behavior, according to police and witnesses.

Danish police said the attack was the work of a 22-year-old Muslim who had a history of violent behavior and had been seen with a firearm.

The attack, which began on Sunday, left 10 people dead and two injured.

The attacker, identified as 22-year-old Mohammad El-Hamdan, had a criminal record, including a conviction for assault.

The gunman was arrested at a bus stop in Copenhagen and later transported to jail.

Witnesses said he had been seen with a rifle in the days leading up to the attack.

The attack resulted in widespread shock and grief across Denmark, with many people expressing their support for the victims and their families.

The Danish prime minister, Lars Løkke Rasmussen, said the country was in mourning and called for unity.

The attack was the latest in a series of terrorist attacks in Europe in recent months, including the Brussels bombings and the Paris shootings.

The Danish government has increased security measures in the country and has urged citizens to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity.
Putting off stress

Brian Lach
Multimedia Editor

“Still watching?” I don’t appreciate the judgmental attitude Netflix is using with me. I click the “Continue watching” button. “It’s been a long week,” I think. And surely, watching all eight seasons of “Dexter” is far more important than my business coursework.

An unspoken rule states that for every hour of homework you have, there are two hours that could be spent procrastinating. As I go through my planner, surveying the massive amount of assignments I have for the weekend, friends sing their siren song, tempting me to hit the town instead of hitting the books.

Oh, procrastination, wherefore hast thou come from, hell-bent on distracting me from the important things in life? Earliest accounts date as far back as 30,000 B.C.E., where we see cavemen drawing crude pictures on the walls of their caves rather than going out to hunt and gather. It’s almost certain that this usage of love so frequently shrinks to the level of romantic affection and occasionally activities far less innocent. We worry over the word “love” and “tonight” appear in proximity to one another in song lyrics. When Adam Levine sings about loving you tonight, he doesn’t intend to just buy you flowers and express robust concern for your well-being.

Since the usage of love so frequently shrinks to the level of sexualized romance, the old platitudes are worth repeating: there is more to romantic love than hand-holding and sweet-talking, and there is certainly more to love than romance.

Mel Livatino portrays this kind of love excellently in his recent Notre Dame Magazine article titled “How Do We Love?” in the article, Livatino offers several definitions of love, including Erich Fromm’s formulation: “Love is sharing yourself with another person to the deepest level possible.” For Livatino and Fromm, those depths are not physical intimacy but emotional and spiritual development. Such a definition comes closer to defining love at its core, rather than categorizing kinds of love like the Greeks do. Love, essentially, involves an escape from the self, a bond between one and another in which concerns and qualities are shared. French theologian Teilhard de Chardin summarizes the concept well: “Love alone is capable of uniting living beings in such a way as to complete and fulfill them, for it alone takes them and joins them by what is deepest in themselves.”

This is all rather abstract, but Livatino reifies the essence of love as he describes the friends, romantic interests and family members whom he loved in this self-giving way, that is, in the only way one can love. His understanding of love, he writes, only achieved clarity when his wife’s debilitating struggle with advanced dementia forced him to consider what allows love to endure and redeem lives. Giving of one’s self — that is how to enrich lives; that is how we love.

The words of a priest in Ernest Hemingway’s “A Farewell to Arms” powerfully convey the self-gift of love while cor- recting the narrow, eroticized usage of the word by Mr. Henry, who has just recounted his visits with Italy’s finest harlots: “What you tell me about in the nights. That is not love. That is only passion and lust. When you love you wish to do things for. You wish to sacrifice. You wish to serve.” Of course, you’ve heard this all before: love is about sacri- fice. Love is about valuing someone’s well-being more than your own. Why is it, then, that love seems more commonly associated with the “warm fuzzies” and romantic relation- ships? This isn’t to say that people don’t talk about their love for their parents or their love of literature. But, why the pre- dominance of romantic love? If one hears two people say “I love you” to one another, what’s the likelihood that one will assume they are romantically involved?

Perhaps this returns to Fromm’s idea of sharing yourself fully with another person. Romantic relationships, with their obligations and deepened trust, accommodate such self-giving more frequently and immediately than other relationships. Again, this isn’t to say that other relationships cannot achieve the same level of sacrifice and commitment. Indeed, the love that exists between friends and family members deserves more attention and mention through the actual word “love.” Reminding oneself that love is some- thing more than romantic could silence the complaints of those who claim “never to be able to love again” after heart- break or breakups, since love goes far beyond being in love. Self-gift is self-gift. Love is love. Call it what it is. We might only have one word in English, but the one word will suffice.

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Refuting the ‘liberal’ Reagan idea

Mr. Gary Caruso’s article published Feb. 6 on President Reagan’s supposed liberalism deserves a response. In it, he claims that Reagan was actually much more liberal than Republicans claim, and that his tax cuts were merely a way of pushing a narrative about the extent of Reagan’s conservatism in order to capitalize on the popularity and support he had in that time. On taxes, Mr. Caruso claims “the notion that Reagan was a tax cutter who worshipped at the altar of lowest possible taxes is ridiculous.” The argument here relies almost exclusively on Reagan passing 11 tax increases, but the number of tax increases is a meaningless metric. After all, by such a metric, one would prefer a single tax increase of a million dollars over a thousand single dollar increases — a ridiculous conclusion. The number of tax-increase bills passed fails to capture how small those increases actually were relative to the tax slashing contained in the Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981, which Mr. Caruso fails to mention. In fact, most of those 11 tax increases were simply fine-tuning the reduction already in place from the 1981 act. These tax increases raised taxes equivalent to about half of the tax reductions contained in the 1981 act. Even in comparison with his initial tax cut, and realistic enough to recognize that his taxes were lower than possible, resulting in these relative small dollar increases.

With regard to Reagan’s foreign policy, Mr. Caruso is wrong on his history blatantly, as well as subtly. The Beirut Bombing occurred in 1983 and the subsequent withdrawal in 1984, not in 1986 as he claims. The multinational force, which included around 1,700 Marines, was in Lebanon to support the Lebanese government and army after their newly elected president was assassinated during the country’s civil war. Reagan kept the troops in Lebanon after the Oct. 23 bombing despite growing calls for withdrawal from Congress. When the Prime Minister of Lebanon and his cabinet resigned Feb. 5, war broke out in the capital again the following day, and Reagan ordered withdrawal Feb. 7. There was barely a government to support, thus there was barely a mission, not to mention the deteriorating situation with the militant militias rapidly gaining more power. These facts reveal a truth that stands in stark contrast to the narrative that Mr. Caruso attempts to push with his selective presentation of facts, one of Reagan “cutting and running” as an immediate and direct result of the bombing.

Mr. Caruso also tries to paint Reagan as anything but anti-union. Perhaps Mr. Caruso can say Reagan acted “individuallyistically” on unions in the case of the air traffic controller’s strike because firing more than 11,000 federal workers who were illegally striking, there were no more significant strikes by federal unions during his administration, as reported by The New York Times. In contrast, there were 39 illegal federal strikes from 1962 to 1981. It would have been hard for Reagan to be tough on federal unions in more than one individual instance since they ceased acting out, most likely as a direct result of Reagan’s “individualistic” response to that single instance. Additionally, Mr. Caruso invokes Reagan’s support of Solidarity, a Polish labor union that caused havoc for the U.S.S.R., as another example of Reagan being soft on unions. This is hardly a compelling argument. One can be anti-big labor while still recognizing collective bargaining rights, especially the rights of workers of the greatest threat to our nation at the time. Strangely enough, Mr. Caruso’s work about solidarity in part seems to rely on an article published in a 2011 ThinkProgress article by Zaid Jilani. I’m willing to give Mr. Caruso the benefit of the doubt that he simply forgot to cite Mr. Jilani almost four years later trying to discredit President Reagan’s conservatism?

Perhaps Mr. Caruso’s introduction concerning the political right “relying on the political expediency of recycled junk to eventually take on a luster when incorporated into mythology” is merely projection of the political left’s attempt to hijack one of the GOP’s most popular icons before a presidential election. Whatever the case, I wish the late Mr. Reagan a happy birthday and echo Mr. Caruso in saying “may he rest in peace along with those political myths and legends.” May we continue to critically evaluate all myths, legends and dubious narratives of all sources — left, right and center — so that only the truth remains.

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Be mindful this MegaWatt Madness Week.

Please reflect The Observer.

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Senior off-campus
Feb. 12

Leaders of curriculum review invite feedback

This year, as the University does every 10 years, the university is reviewing its curriculum — involving all faculty — and asking for feedback from undergraduates and alumni — about what every Notre Dame student should learn before graduation. We are the co-chairs of the committee charged by University President Fr. John Jenkins and Provost Thomas Burish to undertake this effort.

We write to invite you to participate in this process. As most of you know, all undergraduates are required to take a University Seminar: one course each in writing and rhetoric, in the fine arts or literature, in history and in the social sciences; as well as two courses each in mathematics, in the natural sciences, in philosophy and in theology.

Next year, the University will also launch the First Year Experience course as a successor to the physical education requirement. This core curriculum is designed to serve as the foundation of Notre Dame’s liberal arts education.

No recommendations for any change, let alone decisions on what to implement, will be made until after faculty has reviewed the core curriculum, conclusions and recommendations presented in that working document. What has begun is the search for answers. How can Notre Dame as a Catholic university prepare the students, faculty, staff, alumni and leaders of Notre Dame to be engaged and passionate about our curriculum. Some have argued for changes, both minor and major; others have argued to keep the core requirements just as they are. In all cases, our conversations thus far have been stimulating, and we are both grateful that we were given the opportunity to work with all of you and the Notre Dame family on this review.

We encourage your comments. It is an exciting time to work and study at Notre Dame, and we are confident that this core curriculum review process will help us fulfill our mission to be a “Catholic academic community of higher learning, animated from its origins by the Congregation of Holy Cross and dedicated to the pursuit and sharing of truth for its own sake.”

Sincerely.

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I had a fairly good idea of what to expect when I went to see “Almost, Maine” this past Thursday. I’d been to rehearsal Monday and saw a couple of the scenes in rehearsal. I’d read the script and was expecting there to be moments when I’d laugh, when I’d tear up and when I’d just want to squeal “awwww” in the most girl-ish way possible.

The incredible thing about plays is that no matter how many times you read them over, nothing compares to seeing them performed. “Almost, Maine” was no exception. The Student Players did a brilliant job of making the play come to life without falling into the trap the playwright warns of in his introduction: that a play can easily become too “cute.”

Many of the scenes in the play are made out of literal interpretations of various love clichés. Glory’s heart is literally broken, Randy and Chud literally fall in love with each other and Danny Harding literally loses Hope. These scenes could easily be overdone or tacky. But in the Student Players’ production, the cast and crew manage to hit a perfect balance between cheesy and sweet.

Particularly notable in this production were the comedic scenes. All of the actors showed remarkable skills in not only speaking the jokes aloud but also acting them out; the layers of meaning embedded in each one were both obvious and compelling.

In the two most serious scenes in the production, one between Daniel (Tommy Favorite) and Hope (Elizabeth Leader) and the other with Marci (Mary Patons) and Phil (Kelly Burgess), each member of the cast showed their ability to quickly transition the mood of the play from its earlier light-hearted, cheerful scenes to something a little heavier.

In the brief moments that the play considers the more complicated and uglier aspects of love, “Almost, Maine” manages to bring a heart-wrenching mood upon its audience. Still, director Paul Kuczynski’s promise that audience members’ moods would be lifted by the end of the production was not empty. Even though both serious scenes are near the end of the production, perhaps the funniest scene in the play finishes it out. The story of Rhonda (Emmy Shorenbauer) and Dave (Tommy Clarke) is particularly funny; it’s enough to restore faith in love in all but the most cynical audience member.

Particularly noticeable in this scene is the final message that persistence and patience pay off in terms of love. Despite their many miscommunications and differences, Rhonda and Dave manage to negotiate a relationship that could easily dissolve before it ever begins. They also manage to do this in the funniest way possible.

“Almost, Maine” is perhaps the perfect play for Valentine’s Day. At times it is almost sickeningly sweet, reminding the audience of those couples whose love one envies and hates to witness. At other times, it is heart-wrenching and painful, as the audience is asked to contemplate how one deals with the end of a long and once happy relationship.

The vignette style of “Almost, Maine” is perfect for what it tries to convey about love and its place in all of our lives. Each scene is short and with the exception of the Prologue/Interlogue/Epilogue story, once a character leaves the set, the same character never reappears. The audience will never know for sure if Marvalyn leaves Eric or if East and Glory manage to negotiate a relationship.

It seems to be a particularly appropriate way to contemplate the nature of love. There are many different ways to interpret the emotion and many ways in which it sneaks into our lives. But, just as in the play, there is never a guarantee of a happy ending. By giving us quick snapshots into the lives of many characters, “Almost, Maine” manages to convey the myriad of feelings love can create without veering off into the completely cheesy or entirely depressing.

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With “Twilight,” “The Vampire Diaries” and all the glamorized supernatural inspired fanfiction in between, we as a generation are collectively over the young adult glamorized supernatural inspired fanfiction in between, on an uncommonly sunny Louisiana town of Battle Day – “True Blood.”

Given that this is HBO, it turns out to be more of a love polygon and focuses a lot less on teenage angst and a lot more on sexual deviance, which we all know is way more interesting to the viewers to immerse themselves in an incredible universe where supernatural beings are the norm.

Despite the large departure from the reality, the show still holds cultural relevance. Many critics have described the vampires’ fight for equal rights among humans as an allegory for LGBTQ rights in America today, referencing lines from the show such as “coming out of coffin” and “God hates fangs” as clever word play.

The show never takes itself too seriously. It commits to integrating dark humor into the never-ending vamp drama. I found myself laughing while ridiculous acts of violence were committed on screen, which, I assure you, is a testament to the show’s wit and not my possible psychosis.

Sookie Stackhouse, the show’s protagonist and resident telepath played by Anna Paquin, is a fresh departure from the love struck teenager that is seduced by the dark, mysterious vampire world. Having special abilities of her own, she has lived her whole life being misunderstood by humans and feeling the need to hide who or what she really is, much like her bloodsucking counterparts. We can’t really blame her for falling in love with one of them. Or a few of them.

So, no, you can’t escape the thematic love triangle, but given that this is HBO, you’re wrong. “True Blood” is the vampire show to redeem all others with its smart writing and endlessly entertaining plot lines. Once you’ve had a taste, you can’t get enough. Much like vampires and blood.

“True Blood” is available to stream on Amazon Instant Video.

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This past Thursday and Friday, the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center’s Browning Cinema screened this year’s slate of Oscar-nominated short films, which included documentaries, animated and live action shorts. Ahead of the 87th Academy Awards, which will air on ABC on Sunday, I reviewed the nominees for Best Live Action Short Film.

Aya
With a running time of just over 40 minutes, “Aya” is by far the longest of the nominated shorts. Written and directed by Israeli filmmakers Mihal Brezis and Oded Binnun, the short follows Aya (Sarah Adler), a woman waiting at an airport who impulsively pretends to be a driver for a Danish music researcher (Thomas Overbye). The car ride from the airport to Jerusalem that follows is often funny and at times uncomfortable, as Aya tries to admit that she’s not really his driver. “I feel closer to people I don’t know than my family and friends,” she finally explains to him. Yet, even with its lengthy running time, “Aya” never fully delves into the psychology of its titular character’s life and why she would be compelled to pick up a total stranger.

Boogaloo and Graham
“Boogaloo and Graham” is a charming short about Jamesy and Malechy (Riley Hamilton and Aaron Lynch), two brothers growing up in 1970s Belfast. The film derives its name from the two chickens their father (Martin McCann) gives them as pets. When their mother (Charlene McKenna) becomes pregnant and wants to get rid of the chickens, the boys are forced to grapple with killing their beloved pets. The film is an endearing and nostalgic reflection on childhood and the sacrifices parents make for their children’s happiness.

Butter Lamp
By far the most formally experimental of the five, “Butter Lamp” is made up of a series of vignettes documenting a photographer shooting families from a small Tibetan village. Each family is shot against a background of a different landmark, from Hong Kong Disneyland to the Lhasa’s Potala Palace, that hides the mountainous setting of their village. Director Hu Wei used Tibetan locals as actors, and the film’s mix of documentary and narrative aesthetics makes for an unconventional short that comments on globalization’s impact on rural populations.

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I’m going to go out on a limb and say that, in the NFL name, the name of a player who wasn’t and will not be drafted, the name of a player who has never played a down in the NFL, and only caught 13 passes in college, the name of a future NFL star: Duron Carter.

I’ve never heard of him know him as the son of Cris Carter, the Hall of Fame receiver. Note, this isn’t another feel-good piece about the son of an NFL star, a star who will make it big following in his father’s footsteps. No, this is all about Duron.

Carter was rated as one of the 10 best receivers coming out of high school, but his college career did not pan out. Carter snagged 13 passes for 178 yards and a touchdown as a true freshman, but academically held him back from using that season as a building block. After an academic suspension and continued academic issues, he transferred to Minnesota, a community college before moving back to the Division I ranks with Alabama. After that didn’t pan out, he tried Florida Atlantic, but a petition to play ball was denied by the NCAA.

After declaring for the 2013 NFL draft, Carter was not selected, though he was given chances to try out for both the Saints and Vikings. Neither panned out. Again, Carter’s departures were accompanied by stories highlighting a lack of professionalism.

Cris took his talents to Canada. In his career with the Montreal Alouettes, Carter’s star show been bright. As one of the best receivers in the CFL over the last two seasons, Carter collected almost 2,000 receiving yards and 12 touchdowns. Finally, NFL teams came calling. Interest was high, and Carter signed a three-year deal with the Indianapolis Colts on Feb. 7. He was finally positioning himself to begin an NFL career.

That’s Carter’s story. It’s surely interesting, but I doubt I’ve swayed any of you into thinking you’re hearing about a future NFL star. Let, we’ve only scratched the surface of who Carter is and who he can be.

Recently, it was announced that Carter scored “at least a 70” on his Wonderlic, the NFL’s version of an IQ test. Carter’s score was better than Peyton Manning’s 28, Tom Brady’s 33, Andrew Luck’s 35 and even Andrew Luck’s 7. Those are some of the most cerebral players in the NFL, the playing the most complicated position, and Carter tops them all.

No, this isn’t a story of a talented athlete who wasn’t smart enough to keep up with college coursework and who will struggle to adapt to complicated NFL schematic. This is the story of a brilliant young man who couldn’t click in a classroom setting and couldn’t keep up with the juggling of a college life. Carter is 6-foot-5, weighs 205 pounds and can run 40 yards in 4.5 seconds. He has a huge wingspan and the ability to catch the ball in traffic. He can contort his body in the air, pulling jump balls and back passes. His film and highlights are from the CFL, but his talent jumps off the screen. Oh, and despite his adventures, he is still only 23 years old.

If you hear him speak, he sounds like a guy who had to do things on his own and he truly wanted. He also sounds like almost any college senior/graduate who is finally ready to commit himself or herself to the real world and a career. He recognizes his mistakes and what he took away from them, and he appreciates that he has another chance. To me, he sounds ready to give the NFL a legitimate shot. The Colts seem ready to give him that chance. According to reports, Indianapolis views Carter as a starting receiver, the kind of player who can take over for Reggie Wayne and be paired with T.Y. Hilton as a dynamic receiving duo. He’ll have Luck, one of the fastest rising stars and a true technician, to help mold him into that threat all of Indy hopes him to be. So here are my parting two comments:

First, now that you’ve heard of him, pay attention going forward. When there is an interview halfway through the 2015 season, with Luck and Carter sitting on folding chairs talking with Jon Gruden about Carter’s explosion onto the NFL scene and his bond with Luck, remember this day.

Secondly, if and when Carter takes center stage as a professional, look for interesting implications on college football. This is a kid who is bright but better served outside of a classroom setting, where college life limited his growth. On the other hand, an opportunity to play in the CFL as a professional spurred his growth forward. What will this mean for a potential amateur football league? What will this mean for the landscape of college football?

Interesting storylines, indeed.

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CHICAGO — Jonathan Toews and Patrick Kane kicked off for Chicago, and Patrick Sharp finished the job.

The star-studded shootout turned into quite a show for the Blackhawks.

Sharp scored the decisive goal in the titheheader, lifting the Blackhawks to a 2-1 victory over Sidney Crosby and the Pittsburgh Penguins on Sunday.

Toews and Kane also converted their shootout attempts, helping the Blackhawks improve to 7-2 when the game is tied after overtime. Chicago was 6-8 in shootout games last season.

“I mean Jonny and Kaner, that’s a 1-2 punch that’s as good as any team in the league, and then Sharpy ends up finishing it,” Blackhawks coach Joel Quenneville said. “So it was necessary today, and it’s been effective for us this year.”

Nick Spaling scored in the third period, forcing Pittsburgh, which had won four of five. Marc-Andre Fleury made 31 saves through overtime, but was unable to stop any of Chicago’s shootout attempts.

Thanks to David Perron and Crossen, the Penguins still had a chance for a big road win before Sharp skated in and beat Fleury into the right side for the victory. Fleury slammed his stick into the post in disgust after the final play.

“It’s almost unfortunate that it wasn’t a playoff game where I guess you could see a real winner and win,” Perron said. “They got the two points today, but I thought we were satisfied with how we played the whole 65 minutes.”

Niklas Hjalmarsson scored in the second period for Chicago, which also posted a shootout win at Pittsburgh on Jan. 21 in their only other scheduled meeting this season. Corey Crawford finished with 36 stops.

The Blackhawks have captured the top two points through the first half of a season-high eight-game homestand.

“We can’t be giving up any points,” Crawford said. “Teams below us in our division are starting to play really good hockey. Especially at home, we’ve got to as many as we can.”

The Penguins responded in the third period. Beau Bennett got free for a shot that was stopped by Crawford, but Spaling sent the rebound into the upper left corner for his ninth of the season.

Perron was stopped by Crawford on a prime opportunity midway through overtime, and Fleury made a nice save on Marian Hossa to help send the game to the shootout.

“That’s two games we’ve played against this team, and we’ve played well defensive-ly,” Pittsburgh coach Mike Johnston said. “We had our scoring chances and we didn’t convert. I thought our power play looked good, too.”

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FULLMAN, Wash. — Brandon Ashley, Rondae Hollis-Jefferson and Kaleb Tarczewski each scored 17 points as No. 7 Arizona routed Washington State 86-59 on Sunday night.

T.J. McConnell added 14 points for Arizona (22-3, 10-2 Pac 12), which plays WSU only once this season. The Wildcats led by 34 points after the first half.

Dexter Kernich-Drew scored 20 points and DaVonte Lavall Jr. scored 18 for Washington State (11-14, 5-8), which was coming off a win over Arizona State on Thursday. The Cougars were done in by awful shooting in the first half.

Arizona scored two straight after being upset by Arizona State. Arizona won the rebound battle 44-23 and outscored the Cougars in the paint 46-12.

The Wildcats came out strong in the first half and took control early. McConnell had five points as the Wildcats jumped to an 18-8 lead over the cold-shooting Cougars.

Consecutive dunks by Ashley put Arizona up 26- 12 at the midpoint of the first. Washington State made only 6 of 17 shots to open the game, and then got worse.

Hollis-Jefferson had three baskets and Tarczewski scored a basket and three free throws during a 15-0 run that put Arizona ahead 41-13. Washington State was scoreless for more than six minutes and its shooting percentage dropped into the 20s.

Washington State went more than eight minutes without a field goal before Que Johnson hit a short jumper to cut Arizona’s lead to 44-16. But Ashley, who had 13 points in the first, replied with a basket immediately to push Arizona’s lead to 19 points. Arizona led 53-19 at half- time, after shooting 60 percent and out-rebounding the Cougars 30-9.
The two fighters traded punches just before the final bell, but Nadar did just enough to win by split decision.


The fight started with some scrappy punches traded at the center of the ring, and both fighters threw a flurry of body blows and headshots. The fighters danced around one another for much of the second round with sporadic periods of intensity. Though the fight was neck-and-neck, even through the third and final round, the junior Leppert did enough to separate himself from the senior in the minds of the judges and secured a unanimous victory to advance to the next round.

Albert “I Am So Lone” Lee def. Chris “Angry Eli” Delhies

Both fighters’ quickness was on display early, as Delhies, a freshman and Sorin College residence, and Lee, a sophomore from Keenan Hall, glided around the ring, neither able to land many decisive punches. Delhies landed a couple of solid blows on Lee and gained momentum by the conclusion of the second round. Delhies forced his opponent against the ropes in the middle of the third round, but Lee rallied and fought back with strong punches to gain back the fighter’s momentum. Lee was declared the winner in a closely contested match by a split decision.

Cullen “The Fighttown Round” McNamie def. Ray Zhao

The first bout of the day in the 135-pound division pitted Zhao, a junior from Duncan Hall, against McNamie, a senior also from Duncan. In the first round, both fighters opened with a series of flurries with neither fighter gaining a clear advantage. The second round resembled the first as both fighters attempted to land blows to each other’s head. In the final round, Zhao managed to dodge a couple of McNamie’s blows, but McNamie eventually landed a few body shots. At one point, McNamie had Zhao on the ropes, but Zhao was able to quickly leap away before McNamie could land a big strike. McNamie was declared the winner by unanimous decision.


The fight started very defensively, with the two fighters keeping their distance from each other. Even when both boxers attempted to land some punches, most of their efforts were blocked. The senior Devine eventually broke through Carter’s defenses and landed a quick combination. Carter, a sophomore, fought back and landed multiple right hooks late in the first. The second round started defensively again, with Carter’s parries and Devine’s footwork making landing punches difficult. Devine forced Carter onto the ropes late in the second, however, and landed some big punches. Devine took control of the third round, forcing Carter onto the ropes again and landing a quick combination of blows to end the fight and secure his win by unanimous decision.

Danny “Nacho Tigtre” Espinoza def. Steven Penny

Both juniors started slowly until Espinoza landed a strong punch to Penny’s head, causing him to lose footing. From there, Espinoza took control, landing a quick flurry of blows to Penny’s body soon after. Penny, though, began to block most of Espinoza’s efforts and fight back late in the first. Espinoza appeared to be in control for most of the second round, but Penny did enough to block or dodge his punches. Penny then counterattacked as the second round came to an end. Both fighters started the third round more aggressively, but it was Espinoza who landed more of his early punches in the round and continued to appear on top through the round, eventually winning by unanimous decision.

Peté “The Wild Irish Rose” McGinley def. Joshua “I Swear These Are Pecs” Kolb

Both fighters came into this one de- fined, attempting numerous punches but demonstrating strong defense to block their opponent’s efforts. McGinley soon appeared on top, though, and although Kolb continued to block most of his punches, the Duncan Hall senior was eventually able to land a blow that knocked Kolb, a freshman, down late in the first. Kolb looked to have made his way back into the fight and landed some punches of his own, only to be knocked down by another of McGinley’s punches. McGinley was able to keep Kolb at the end of his reach for most of the third round while landing well-timed punches to ensure his victory by unanimous decision.

Connor “MJ” Chelsky def. Dennis “The Hidden Dragon” Zheng

Both fighters came out aggressively with quick, wild swings. Zheng’s footwork was enough to dodge most of Chelsky’s flailing early punches, while he managed to land a quick flurry of his own to Chelsky’s body. However, Chelsky, a senior, landed a strong left hook to Zheng’s head and followed up with a combination of body shots. The freshman Zheng forced Chelsky onto the ropes late in the first, but Chelsky fought his way out with more strikes to Zheng’s head. The second round started as offensively as the first, but few punches from either fighter actually landed. Chelsky struck Zheng with repeated left hooks to the head in the third, and Zheng’s attempts to fight back regularly left him exposed, which Chelsky took advantage of on his way to taking the victory by unanimous decision.

E.J. “Armageddon” Smith def. Alexander “Highway to the Dang”- “ez zone”

The second bout of the day featured Smith, a sophomore from Knott Hall, fighting against Dang, an off-campus senior. This fast-paced match began with Dang controlling the ring, but Smith managed to land several back-and-forth punches. The fight advanced and briefly pin Dang on the ropes. In the second round, the match slowed down with both fighters taking more caution. The final round unfolded similarly to the second, but the slow pace was briefly interrupted by Smith landing a series of body blows. Smith was declared the winner by a split decision.

Matthew “Scruffy” Yoder “I Barely Know Her” def. Ned Vara

Yoder, an O’Neill Hall freshman, opened the fight trying to land a big punch, while Vara, a junior from Sorin College, attempted to answer with jabs. Yoder began the second round by landing two powerful blows to Vara’s head, keeping Vara on his toes for the rest of the round after another strong right hook. Yoder kept applying the pressure in the third round, enough to earn him the win by unanimous decision.

Briggs “Drop It Like It’s” Hoyt def. James “Work Horse” McCaffrey

The first round between McCaffrey and Hoyt was fairly even, with the tempo a little slower than most bouts. The graduate student McCaffrey, who is also a southpaw, came out firing multiple blows in the second round back on target. DeLuca had trouble adapting to this style and had to fight defensively. In the second round, DeLuca bounced back by adopting the same strategy of quick jabs. Near the end of the round both fighters landed a flurry of blows. In the final round, both fighters opened up and tried to win the match by landing a big blow, but neither fighter managed to connect on his hooks. Ultimately, DeLuca was declared the winner by unanimous decision.

“Sloppy” Joe Guilfoile def. Thomas “The Tank Engine” Tran

Guilfoile, a Morrissey Manor sophomore, landed two powerful blows to the head to begin the match, keeping Tran, an off-campus senior, off balance for the first round. The second round saw Guilfoile continue his offensive fighting, as Tran was forced back the whole round. In the final round, Guilfoile opened up offensively and forced Tran to get medical attention for a cut on his face. Guilfoile was declared the winner by unanimous decision.


Both fighters came out strong in the first round, with the freshman Miller having the slight edge. Kiefer, a junior, got the best of Miller in the next round, throwing multiple jabs to push Miller back to the ropes. The match was stopped for a brief period in the third round, and Kiefer came out strong from the pause. He landed multiple punches to the head, pushing Miller from corner to corner en route to a unanimous decision victory.

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before things evened out. Both boxers traded body shots for the balance, with the senior Hoy getting the best of McCaffrey at the end. The third round was a fury of punches from both par-
ties, with neither taking control of the fight. In the end, Hoy pre-
vented by unanimous decision.

Paul “The Shaft” Rudnicki
def. John “Jucy” Malin

This contest between two sophomores started off with a bang as Rudnicki landed early blows to the head, which Malin countered with some strong jabs to the stomach. The first round ended with Malin connecting with Rudnicki’s head. In the second round, Rudnicki boxed back with a series of combination punches to the face and abdomen, while Malin fought back with quick jabs. Rudnicki took the edge in the second round after man-
aging a series of jab and up-
percats combinations, forcing Malin against the ropes. By the third round, the bout was at a standstill. Malin attempted the majority of the punches while Rudnicki exhibited strong de-
fensive tactics, only to finish by landing a series of hooks that was enough to give Rudnicki the split-decision victory.

Patrick “Payday” Yerkes
def. Brenden “My Mom Doesn’t Know I’m Doing This” Forte

The junior Forte had quick start in the bout, beginning the first round with combi-
nation punches to the abdo-
men and sides of Yerkes. The sophomore from St. Edward’s Hall had a slow start but even-
tially retaliated with a series of powerful body shots, push-
ing Forte against the edge of the ring to end the first round. Once again, Forte got the quicker start in the sec-
ond round, throwing hooks to the face while Yerkes fo-
cused primarily on defensive
tactics. This pattern contin-
ued through the last round until Yerkes started throwing uppercuts and jabs. Late in the third round, Yerkes broke out to finish strong, giving him the victory by unanimous decision.

158-pounds:
Joey Quinones def. Jim “Boyle Room” Boyle

Both boxers landed a flurry of punches off the bat, with the junior from Knott, Boyle, land-
ing more jabs to the stomach while Quinones, a freshman, was able to get three blows to the head. In the second, Boyle was backed into a corner before he landed a strong uppercut to free himself. Neither seemed to have a decided advantage while they continued to trade blows. Quinones opened the third round landing jabs to the head and stomach of Boyle, knocking him back to the ropes as he re-
fused to be stopped by the strong finish, Quinones took the fight by unanimous decision.

Patrick Burkett def. Chris “The Ruff Rider” Ruffin

The sophomore Burkett seemed to set the tempo early, landing a huge hook to Ruffin’s head. Burkett again came out strong in the second round, landing a few combinations to stifle the freshman Ruffin. “The Ruff Rider” wouldn’t go away, however, putting up a strong fight with some inside punches to finish the round. Both box-
ers fought a strong third, with Ruffin on the offensive early be-
fore Burkett fired back with some hooks to the stomach. In the end, it was Burkett who prevailed by unanimous decision.

Sean “El Huron Loco” Hime
def. A.J. McCutcheon

Neither McCutcheon, a gradu-
ate student, nor Hime, a junior, separated himself in the first round. Hime went on the of-
fensive in the second round, driving McCutcheon back with a flurry of combinations. He con-
tinued to fight hard, landing a left hook to McCutcheon’s head to close the round. The third round was again back and forth. McCutcheon used his long reach to continually jab Hime in the stomach, but Hime landed a few punches himself, taking the fight by unanimous decision.

Chip Blood def. Stuart Swartz

The sophomore Blood landed an impressive number of body shots on the junior in a fairly even first round and clearly won the frame by sheer volume. The second round saw much of the same, as Blood forced Swartz to the ropes several times while also mixing in a few hard head-
shots, but Swartz held his own by landing a number of punches as well. The third and final round was also relatively even before Blood seized control and pulled away near the end, earning a vic-
tory by unanimous decision and a spot in the next round.

Joe “Sully” Sulentic def. Alex “The Aztec” Cervantes

The high-paced first round started with Cervantes, a fresh-
man from St. Edward’s Hall, throwing a series of jabs, while Morrissey Manor sophomore Sulentic responded with quick uppercuts. The second round exhibited a slower pace, and Sulentic landed combination after combination with agility, despite Cervantes’ defensive efforts. The round ended with Cervantes on the ropes, but he bounced back in the last round. However, he was no match for Sulentic’s speed and mobili-
ity across the ring, and Sulentic took the bout by unanimous decision.

Eoghan Flanagan def. Phillip “The Thrill” Stenger

Stoner House sophomore Flanagan exhibited a burst of energy in the first round, throw-
ing uppercut after uppercut to Siegfried Hall sophomore Stenger and targeting his right side. The first round was an up-
beat affair, with both fighters actively circling around the ring. In the second round, Stenger did not hold back, fighting back with a series of punches to the abdo-
men, forcing Flanagan into a hold. In the third round, the bout continued at a slower pace with both fighters taking a more con-
servative stance. With only a few moments of the bout, Flanagan finished strong to secure the vic-
tory by unanimous decision.

Ryan “Attila” Dunn def. Adam Haydel

Dunn, a junior from Knott Hall, got the bout to a quick start by forcing Stanford Hall junior Haydel by the edge of the ring within the first minute of the first round. Haydel fought back with hooks to the face but landed only a small proportion of his punches, unable to match Dunn’s speed moving across the ring. Early in the second round, Dunn forced Haydel to the edge of the ring once more, landing jabs after jabs. Dunn’s clear advantage was evident as the referee cut the bout short in the second round, giving the contest to Dunn.

Garrity McOsier def. Dean “The Machine” Swan

Fisher Hall sophomore McOsier and Dillon Hall freshman Swan both held back in the first round of the bout, throwing relatively few punches and opting instead to focus on defensive tactics. While Swan hit first, McOsier answered, landing multiple jabs, forcing him across the ring and against the ropes. There, McOsier connected on several punches to Swan’s ab-
don, ending the first round. In the second round, Swan attempted to start the bout but fully retailed. However, Swan’s up-
percats and jabs were no match for McOsier’s aggressive defense. In the third round, Swan was able to get a foothold but it was not enough, as McOsier took the vic-
tory by unanimous decision.

167-pounds:
Gage “American Psycho” O’Connell def. Chris “Black Dog” Bertini

Both fought hard in the first round, with the law student O’Connell landing some inside jabs and Bertini fighting back with body shots. O’Connell cor-
nered the junior Bertini early in the second, with Bertini fighting him off with a series of combi-
nations. O’Connell did well to dodge Bertini’s punches in the third round and landed a few hooks to the head. O’Connell knocked Bertini to the ground in the latter half of the round, taking the fight by unanimous decision.

Eric “The Squirrel” Tommarello def. Casey “Pork Chop” McCaffery

Both fighters appeared evenly matched, but Tommarello took an early edge in the opening rounds. The Baldwinsworth, New York, senior utilized a series of looping hooks to around a beveled edge defense from McCaffery. The junior fought back as time went on, taking advantage of his more energy-efficient fight style. The latter held fast, though, deliv-
ering body blows in quick suc-
cessions. Despite the pressure of the closing frame, countering McCaffery’s late-match aggres-
sion. Thanks to his early match energy, he carried the slight second wind in the latter half of the fight, “The Squirrel” scan-
pered to a split-decision victory.

Mike Flanagan def. Chris “The Quiet Man” Powers

Powers came strong in the opening moments of the bout, delivering a series of rapid body shots to Flanagan and forcing him against the ropes early. Flanagan powered back, though, using a deft dodge to deliver a pair of strong headshots of his own. Flanagan carried this mo-
mentum into the second round, holding a steady advantage over a beleaguered Powers for the duration of the round. The third round started tentatively, with each fighter waiting for the other to make the opening move. Eventually, Powers came to the fore, offering a series of punishing blows to Powers and forcing a stoppage for a bloodied Powers. The junior from Cerritos again came out strong in the final round, the bout, resulting in a victory by unanimous decision for the St. Edward’s Hall senior.

Chris “Double Diesel” Clarke def. Calvin “Bender” Campopiano

The two opponents came together contrasting styles, as the quick-striking ag-
gression of Clarke had trouble cracking Campopiano’s rock-
steady style. The junior Clarke was willing to give a great deal of room to the other early. Still, Campopiano’s suffocating de-
defensive stance afforded him a few opportunities for strong body shots before the bell. As the fight went on, Clarke found ways around Campopiano’s defense as he managed to sneak in a pair of left hooks, forcing Campopiano to respond with a series of body shots to the body. Clarke’s off-
defensive openings in the middle round, though Campopiano had trouble countering the reach of the taller, Jankkee Clark. Ultimately, Campopiano had no answer for this range, as Clarke earned a victory by unanimous decision.

Paddy “El Canelo” Lawler
def. Ryan “Wait for It” Lyons

The longer-limbed Majask seemed more than willing to en-
gage in an all-out offensive brawl early in the match. For Lyons, his de-
defense by Majask gave him ample room for counterattack. The two fighters traded blows early and often in the opening rounds. Majask seemed to falter in mid-
dle of the fight, however, and was pushed against the ropes by a powerful jab from Lyons in round two, forcing Majask’s left hook start to miss towards the end of the fight, giving Lawler room to dodge and counter with a left hand hook. The following round, in the hotly contested fight, Lawler was awarded the victory by split decision.
Scott "Bootstrap" Rousseau def. Sean "Never Learned How To" Reed

This fight was intense from the start, and Reed, an off-campus senior, was the aggressor, attempting to land some devastating early combinations. However, Rousseau, a Fisher Hall senior, showed off his bickering and weaving skills to avoid any significant blows. In the second round, the referee had to split the fighters, which allowed Reed to recover from a flurry of Rousseau punches. Reed came out strong in the third, but Rousseau knocked his headgear off. Reed kept taking blows to end the round but landed some parting shots himself. Rousseau was awarded the victory by unanimous decision.

Michael "Greasey" Grasso def. Jack Shepard

The two juniors wasted no time setting the tone in an action-packed first round. Grasso displayed a powerful right hook, and at the end of the round, Grasso had pinned Shepard against the ropes and landed multiple combinations. The second round was even more intense than the first, as Grasso began to weave Shepard down. Shepard was pinned against the ropes again, and Grasso landed a flurry of punches, most notably two hard headshots that dazed Shepard. Shepard completed an eight count, but Grasso was relentless and forced another a few seconds later. As a result of this, the referee stopped the fight and handed the victory to Grasso.

Patrick "Pattycake" Shea def. Sean Clarkin

In the first round, both fighters tested the other. Nothing more than little jabs were landed, and both fighters showed off nimble footwork. In the second round, the junior Shea landed some hard punches and eventually drew blood. The referee stopped the fight, and Clarkin, a freshman, quickly recovered. However, Clarkin could not seem to land a punch on Shea as the round ended. Shea began to seize control of the fight in the third round, and he landed two big headshots that dazed Clarkin. Clarkin attempted to go back on the offensive but was never able to land anything more than a glancing blow. His defense was not enough, and Shea advanced in the tournament by unanimous decision.

Brendan "Rainman" Lesch def. Ryan MacDonald

The fighters opened the first round aggressively, trading body blows in the center of the ring before graduate student Lesch landed a strong headshot that sent his opponent to the canvas. Once MacDonald got back to his feet, Lesch backed him into a corner, landing blow after blow and forcing the senior to fight defensively. As the second round opened, Lesch danced around MacDonald before forcing him to the ropes once more. McDonald came out strong in the third round, but Lesch was simply too much for him to handle. The referee stopped the fight midway through the round, giving Lesch the victory.

Matthew "Hands" Bedelldef. Brian "The Weatherman" Harntett

Both fighters showed off impressive defensive skills in an evenly matched bout. This resulted in few hard blows hitting their target, and because it was so even, each punch had the power to swing the fight. After the first two rounds featured many blocked punches and parries, the senior Bedell began to outlast fellow senior Harntett. He landed a hard body blow on Harntett to culminate a fiery opening to the third and managed to avoid being hit hand again to take the fight in a split decision.

Ryan "Cerry Boppins" Chestnut def. Joel "The Zamponi" Zimbrick

Chestnut started the fight as the aggressor and landed solid body shots on Zimbrick to begin the first round. However, Zimbrick responded with some combinations to end the round. The second frame featured little hard contact between the two freshmen, and the fight’s result was still in the air at the start of the third. Both fighters turned it up a notch and connected with the other multiple times. Right after Chestnut connected with Zimbrick hard in the head, he was knocked off balance by a Zimbrick punch. Chestnut recovered to halt any further damage and did just enough to advance by unanimous decision.

Eric "B-P Rex" Palatus def. Patrick Michael

Both fighters came out with energy following the opening bell, but neither was able to land any decisive blows in the first round. Palatus, a junior, was the aggressor and landed solid blows with his right jab in the opening seconds of round two and captured the momentum of the fight during this round. Palatus came out with fire in the concluding round and backed the junior Villan directly against the ropes with a series of punches. This was enough to solidify a unanimous decision for Palatus.

Jason "Downtown" Ellinwood def. Chris Stepin

Ellinwood, a junior from Fisher Hall, was able to use his height advantage against Stepin, a junior from Sorin College, landing a series of punches in the opening round that took a heavy toll on Stepin. Ellinwood maintained control of the fight in its second round and pushed his opponent against the ropes several times during the round. Ellinwood forced the official to pause the fight a number of times in the second and third rounds, which earned him a unanimous decision over Stepin.

James "Iceman" Hodgens def. David Lee

Lee, a sturdy southpaw, came out swinging in the first round and landed a series of punches on Hodgens, a graduate student, early. It appeared, however, that Lee lost some energy as the round progressed, and Hodgens was able to turn the tables on his opponent. Hodgens seemed to have the advantage in the second round, but the referee ordered Lee and forced the official to pause the fight. In the fight’s third round, Lee again came out with fire and energy but was unable to maintain this pace throughout the duration of the round. This enabled Hodgens to land several unblocked punches on his opponent and win the fight with a referee-stopped contest.

Joe "The Dirty Bubble" Stevens def. David "Maw-erick" O’Connor

Both fighters opened the round with impressive footwork and intensity, yet neither seemed to have any sort of advantage early. Through the second round, both fighters evenly traded punches. Once the third round started, a flurry of fists flew at the freshmen. Stevens tilted the bout in his favor, despite the fact that O’Connor did more damage with the punches he managed to land. Ultimately the fight came down to a split decision, with the judges awarding the victory to Stevens.

Ian White def. Gordon "Fleetwood" MacDougal

Despite being at a height disadvantage, White, a senior and Zahn House resident, connected on a few solid punches in the fight’s opening round. White gathered more momentum in the second round progressed and landed a series of punches that forced MacDougal to the senior, against the ropes. MacDougal was able to re- bound slightly in the third round but could not take the momentum from White. Neither fighter appeared to be hurt, as both landed a few good punches, but White was ruled the winner by a split-decision ruling.

Heavyweight

Erich Jegier def. Gabe "The Devil Wears' Prado Correa

Jegier, a sophomore and Sorin College resident, landed a few big punches on Prado Correa during the fight’s opening seconds. Jegier was able to knock down his opponent, a junior and Alumni Hall resident, and capture the fight’s momentum by the end of the first round. Jegier’s strong opening round forced the official to stop the fight early and declare him the winner over Correa.

Gerry "Jarreigh" Kelliherr def. Ryan "Little John" Sontag

The off-campus senior Kelliherr, although yielding a bit to his fellow student’s height, came out with energy and captured the fight’s momentum early. The two boxers traded blows throughout the concluding seconds of round one, and both landed some punches on the other. Sontag displayed strong defense and was able to land some punishing hooks on his opponent’s midsection and head. Kelliherr found his target with strong punches on Sontag in the fight’s concluding round and forced Sontag against the ropes a couple times in the third round. Despite being met with punishment, Sontag was able to earn a split decision over Kelliherr.

Kyle "Hot Crossed" Munns def. Devon "Buffalo Soldier" Chenelle

In a matchup between a law student and a freshman, the first round was fairly even. The freshman Chenelle, with an advantage in height and wingspan, started to take some control in the second period. At the start of the third round, however, Munns landed a number of impressive punches, sending Chenelle back into the fight. The fighters walked around each other for most of the final moments with sporadic moments of fighting, leading to a split decision victory in favor of Munns.

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Junior Stuart Swartz, left, and sophomore Chip Blood exchange jabs to the head during the preliminary round of the 85th annual Bengal Bouts on Sunday at Joyce Fieldhouse. [DREW B. KAYARIN / THE OBSERVER]
Notre Dame rolls through opening weekend

By ZACH KLONSINSKI
Sports Writer

No. 9 Notre Dame began its season on a pair of high notes over the weekend, defeating Cincinnati, 14-5, on the road Friday and following that up with a 17-5 win against Detroit on Sunday at Loftus Sports Center.

The Irish (2-0) took control using an early offensive outburst against Cincinnati (0-2). After falling behind 1-0 to start the game, Notre Dame scored eight straight goals in a 12:45 stretch to put the Bearcats away. Sophomore attack/midfielder Cortney Fortunato and senior attack Rachel Sexton each had a pair of goals during the stretch.

Fortunato’s six points on four goals and two assists paced Notre Dame offensively in the game. Junior attack Kiera McMullan added four points on a goal and a trio of assists to follow Fortunato, while sophomore attack Grace Muller and Sexton registered a hat trick apiece.

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Notre Dame’s high-pressure defense forced 24 Cincinnati turnovers, while its offense coughed the ball up only 10 times, something that is a hallmark of its aggressive style of play, senior defensemen Leah Gallagher said.

“We really like to attack the ball, go get it,” Gallagher said. “We like to dictate a lot. That’s the main word I would use to describe out defense: dictative.”

In the team’s home opener Sunday, Notre Dame overcame a sluggish first half to pull away from the Titans (0-2). Tied 4-4 with 7:35 remaining in the first stanza, the Irish came out of a timeout, won control off a draw, and Fortunato immediately passed to a streaking Muller deep in the Detroit end. Muller put her shot past senior goalkeeper Lexie McCormick to put the Irish up 5-4. That sparked a 13-1 Notre Dame run to finish the game.

“It’s tied 4-4, we’re letting the girls work it out, we’re letting our on-field leadership work it out, but after that timeout we kind of hit that nail in the door,” Irish coach Christine Halfpenny said. “That’s where the game changed.”

Detroit’s lone goal of the stretch came with just 1:34 remaining in the game, by which time Notre Dame’s starters were all on the bench. The Irish forced 22 Titan turnovers, 13 of which came in the second half.

“We were starting to get the draws in the second half and that really changed the momentum and put it in our favor,” Gallagher said of her team’s defensive effort in the second half. “In practice the defense has it going from the first minute, but we just have to find a way to carry that over into games.”

Muller recorded a hat trick in the first half on her way to finishing with four scores in the game. The sophomore recorded 10 goals all of last season, but has found the back of the net seven times this year, a stat Muller was quick to credit to her teammates.

“It goes back to the whole team mentality, and everyone setting each other up for success and what’s working in a game and what’s not,” Muller said. “Today, it was a day where it worked well for my position, whereas the next game it might work for (Fortunato, McMullan or Sexton).”

Early-season confidence boosters like Muller’s production will be essential for the team’s success, Halfpenny said.

“For still having a lot of sophomores out on the field, that’s a good thing for us,” Halfpenny said. “It’s building more confidence that we need. It’s building more swag that we need, so we’re really excited.”

The weekend’s performances gave the Irish a hot start, but they are still looking to improve over the next couple practices before flying out west in a few days, Halfpenny said.

“We have to continue to control the controllables, and we have to come out a lot quicker,” Halfpenny said. “We can’t wait to get adjusted, so we’re going to address that. We’re going to continue to address the hustle stat categories.”

Notre Dame is back in action next weekend when it makes a swing out to the West Coast. The Irish will meet up with No. 18 Stanford on Friday at 10:30 p.m., and then face off with California at 2 p.m. Sunday.

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Irish sophomore attack Cortney Fortunato spins away from a defender during Notre Dame’s 17-5 win over Detroit on Sunday.
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**By BRIAN PLAMONDON**

No. 2 Notre Dame survived a scare from Georgetown on Saturday, holding off the Hoyas, 14-12, at Loftus Sports Center en route to earning its 13th straight season-opening victory.

Notre Dame (1-0) was led by an unlikely source in freshman attack Mikey Wynne, who scored six goals in his first collegiate game.

―‘Mikey’! terrific. ... He’s a crease guy," Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said. “Those guys need other people to get them the ball. You can tell the confidence our guys already have in Mikey because they keep giving it there to him.”

Georgetown (0-1) opened the scoring, with senior attack Bo Stafford finding the net just seconds after an Irish penalty was released.

Wynne would record the next three goals to give the Irish some breathing room in the first quarter. His first of the game was keyed by a pass from sophomore midfielder Sergio Perkovic, tying the game with 9:07 left in the first quarter.

“I think we were ready when the game started,” Wynne said. “I think mentally I was ready for the game — coach prepared us well.”

Notre Dame would go up 4-1, adding a goal from Perkovic, before Georgetown fought back tying things up at five.

The teams traded goals in the second quarter, with Stafford eventually knotting things up at six on a fake that fooled Kelly. Stafford led all within reach, Corrigan pulled Kelly in favor of sophomore goalie Shane Doss. Kelly exited with five saves.

“We had great confidence in both of them,” Corrigan said. “I wasn’t going to hesitate if I didn’t think one of the guys was on his game. Not because I don’t have confidence in the guy who’s in there, but I have so much confidence in the guy that’s coming in behind him.”

The Irish scored first after the change, as senior midfielder Nick Ossello found the net while falling over far out from the goal. With his tally, seven players scored for the Irish.

“I mean we have some depth, and we’re going to use that depth,” Corrigan said. “It’s going to serve us well over the course of the year.”

Georgetown’s victory was still very much in doubt as the fourth quarter began.

Georgetown scored on two fast breaks, tying the game at 11 with 14:23 to go. But two goals in eight seconds for the Irish, courtesy of Perkovic and Wynne, put the game out of reach for the Hoyas.

“Lacrosse is a momentum game, and you have to make some plays like that,” Corrigan said.

Wynne would complete the scoring for Notre Dame with 29 seconds left.

Corrigan said he was pleased overall with his team’s effort, but there would be things to improve upon before the team next hits the field.

“We’d like to think defensively, we can put the clamps on somebody when we’re up by three in the second half,” Corrigan said.

Notre Dame returns to action Saturday when it travels to Ann Arbor, Michigan, taking on the Wolverines at 1 p.m. Saturday night.

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**ND SOFTBALL | TIGER INVITATIONAL**

**Observer Staff Report**

After splitting their first two games over the weekend, the No. 19 Irish closed out their time at the Tiger Invitational in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, by dropping games against Hofstra and No. 16 LSU.

The weekend’s first game, a matchup against Central Arkansas, featured an offensive explosion for the Irish (5-4), as they cruised to a 4-1 victory despite being outshot, 7-6. Senior infielder Jenny Simon was perfect at the plate, going four-for-four with two runs scored and an RBI against the Bears (6-5). Junior infielder Micaela Arzimendi was also strong at the plate throughout the two games, going three-for-six with an RBI double and a solo home run. Junior Allie Rhodes went deep against the Mustangs with a home run, pitching a complete game of seven innings with five strikeouts and only one earned run allowed.

The Irish faced a tougher test in the second game of the day, in which they faced LSU. Sophomore right-hander Rachel Nasland was solid on the mound, shanking off a three-run first inning to shut out the Tigers over the rest of the night. Arzimendi and junior designated hitter Casey Africano each added an RBI to make it close, but in the end the Irish were unable to crack Tiger freshman pitcher Carley Hoover, who only allowed two runs over five innings to pick up the 3-2 victory.

The second day of games Sunday was a matter of missed opportunities for the Irish, as they were unable to hang on against either Hofstra (2-3) or LSU (10-0).

Hofstra jumped out to an early lead in the first inning against the Irish, blasting a three-run home run off Irish freshman starter Katie Beriont. That was the last run Hofstra would score, as the Irish made a call to the bullpen for Nasland. Against Hofstra, Nasland once again was strong on the mound with six innings of no-hit ball and six strikeouts. Arzimendi and senior catcher Cassidy Whidden were hit by pitches in back-to-back at-bats while the bases were loaded, cutting the deficit down to 3-2. However, the best chance for the Irish to take the lead ended there, as Hofstra reliever Taylor Pirone snagged a hard line drive hit by Irish senior infielder Katelyn Haas out of the air before tossing the ball to first to double up senior right fielder Hannah Bales and end the inning. From there, Hofstra would hang on to win 3-2.

Against LSU, the Irish once again stalled out a quick 1-0 lead when Arzimendi drove sophomore outfielder Karley Wester home on a sacrifice fly. Nasland was once more strong on the mound, holding the Tigers scoreless through four innings. However, the LSU offense woke up in the fifth inning by jumping on Irish reliever Allie Rhodes for three runs, and eventually ended the frame with a 4-1 lead. From there, the Tigers were never threatened, adding on three more runs later to make their victory by a comfortable six-run margin.

The Irish return to the diamond Thursday in Cathedral City, California, where they face Tennessee in the Mary Nutter Classic. First pitch is scheduled for 10 a.m.
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Sophomore pitcher Jake Elliott. Elliott threw seven shutout innings, allowing two runs (one earned) on three hits, an RBI and two walks. Freshman starting pitcher Brandon Bielak threw five innings, allowing two runs (one earned) on two hits and two walks. Sunday, junior starting pitcher Nick McCarthy tossed seven-and-two-thirds innings, giving up only one run on four hits, leading the Irish to a 5-1 victory. Aki said he was pleased with his pitching staff's performance over the weekend.

I thought our four starting pitchers did a phenomenal job for us, and in relief roles, we had guys who came in and looked great," Aki said. "They went out there to go get outs and compete. I feel good about where our pitching is." Cavan Biggio again almost hit for the cycle Sunday, again only missing the home run to complete the set. Notre Dame will next compete this weekend in the Irish Alamo Invitational in San Antonio, Texas, against Incarnate Word, Villanova and Northwestern. First pitch is set for 6:05 p.m. Friday.

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Jackson said, "I'm sure we were fortunate with bounces at times but... he made some big saves." Petersen successfully weathered a barrage of last-minute efforts from Providence (18-10-2, 10-7-1). After the game, Friars coach Nate Leaman praised the Irish defensive unit. "I thought it was a good team shoutout [for Notre Dame]," Leaman said. "I thought they did a better job around their net with their sticks, winning a lot of battles." Hinojostroza put the game on ice for the Irish in the final two minutes, scoring an insurance goal off a rebound. Freshman forward Anders Bjork's shot was saved by Gillies, but the puck bounced back out to Hinojostroza, who put it past the Friars goaltender for the 2-0 lead.

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After a scoreless first period where the teams combined for 27 shots, the second stanza saw five goals go on the board. The Friars got on the scoreboard first, as junior forward Kevin Rooney ended Petersen's 137-minute, 53 second-long shutout streak by redirecting a shot past him at the 5:16 mark. But just 2:16 later, senior defenseman Robbie Russo tied the game up. The goal was Russo's 12th of the season, a mark that leads all NCAA defensemen.

The deadlock did not last long, however, as the Friars re-took the lead just 1:49 later when senior forward Ross Mauermann tapped the puck into a mostly-empty net. Rooney then doubled the lead a few minutes later, scoring the eventual game-winner to put Providence up 3-1.

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The Irish head east to take on No. 3 Boston University next weekend in a pair of games Friday and Saturday.

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Irish sophomore second baseman Cavan Biggio makes contact with a pitch during Notre Dame's 2-1 win over Clemson on May 9 at Frank Eck Stadium.

Baseball

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Irish sophomore center Vince Hinojostroza awaits a pass during Notre Dame's 2-0 home victory over Providence on Friday.

Irish junior guard Jewell Loyd drives towards the hoop during Notre Dame's 75-54 win against Virginia on Feb. 5 at Purcell Pavilion.

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Irish sophomore center Vince Hinojostroza awaits a pass during Notre Dame's 2-0 win over Clemson on May 9 at Frank Eck Stadium.

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days off at the beginning of the week, and we really, mentally, needed a break, so that was good for us. And then we got to work on some new things offensively. We just worked a little bit more on our fundamentals really. We've been breaking things down and had a great chance to go back and review the fundamentals."

The break was also good for junior guard Jewell Loyd, McGraw said. Loyd, Notre Dame's leading scorer, has put up 17 or fewer points in four of the past five games, below her season average (20.7). During the break, however, she has begun to regain her rhythm, McGraw said. "She's really good for this game," McGraw said. "She's been shooting really well this week. Her practices have been really good, so I think she's ready."

Both Loyd and Turner were named to the watch lists of the Wooden Award and Naismith Trophy, given to the nation's top player in the past week. Only three other teams in the country — No. 1 South Carolina, No. 2 Connecticut and California — had multiple players named on each list. With only five games left in the regular season, the Irish sit half a game ahead of Duke, No. 7 Florida State and No. 9 Louisville for first place in the ACC. The top four teams all earn double byes in the conference tournament into the quarterfinals, and because of that, McGraw said she is not emphasizing this matchup anymore than usual.

"Every game is important," McGraw said. "The next five are all important, and they all have equal importance. We're in the driver's seat right now." Notre Dame and Duke face off tonight in Purcell Pavilion at 9 p.m.

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ND wins three in opening weekend

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Notre Dame opened its season with a packed schedule in Norman, Oklahoma, this weekend and came home with a 3-1 record.

The Irish defeated Southern Illinois-Earlville (SIU-E), 7-6, in a comeback win Friday afternoon to open their season, before going on to lose to Oklahoma, 6-1, later that evening.

Notre Dame bounced back in the next two games against the Sooners (3-2) to earn a 10-9 win Saturday and a 5-1 win Sunday to take the series.

"It was a really great weekend for us going in there facing a quality opponent like Oklahoma, and facing (senior pitcher Ryan) Daniels of SIU-E, who was 7-0 last year, and being able to come out with three out of four was outstanding," Irish coach Mik Aoki said.

Throughout all of last season, the Irish were unable to capture a road series victory. Aoki said the Irish are not focused on last year's road woes at all, and their play this weekend demonstrated just that.

"They did a really good job executing our season's mantra, 'Take every single game just one pitch at a time,'" Aoki said. "Don't get caught up in the past, don't get forward looking and trying to be as good as we can on the pitch that we're about to play.'"

Although the Irish jumped to a 5-1 lead over the Cougars (0-3), Notre Dame had to make a comeback Friday night, and it came from the bat of sophomore catcher Ryan Lidge.

In the bottom of the seventh, down 6-5 with two outs and senior center fielder Mac Hudgins on first, Lidge roped a two-run homer over the left-center field fence to put the Irish up 7-6 and clinch the game.

In the second game Friday night, Notre Dame was unable to get much going against Sooners

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Notre Dame splits series with No. 10 Providence

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In its penultimate home series of the season, Notre Dame settled for a split with No. 10 Providence, winning Friday's game, 2-0, before falling to the Friars, 3-2, on Saturday.

Despite being outshot 10-1 in the early stages of Friday's game, the Irish (13-15-4, 8-6-4 Hockey East) took the lead just past the midpoint of the first period when junior center Thomas DiPauli fired a shot from the slot past Providence junior goalen- der Jon Gillies for a power-play goal. After freshman defense- man Jordan Gross fed sophomore forward Vincenzo Hinostraza, he set DiPauli up with the scoring chance. The assists — Gross' 19th and Hinostraza's 26th — continued points streaks for both players.

But despite Notre Dame's early lead, it was freshman goalie Cal Petersen's night to shine. He made 38 saves en route to his third shutout of the year.

"(Cal's) feeling pretty good right now, and he's seeing the puck pretty well, and that's half the battle," Irish coach Jeff