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Professor receives psychology award

McNeil recognized by national association for career of distinguished research

By CHARITHA ISANAKA News Writer

Psychology professor Nicole McNeil has been nationally recognized in her field after earning the American Psychological Association's (APA) 2013 Boyd McCandless Award for distinguished contribution to psychology.

McNeil said she was surprised to be selected by the APA's Division 7 for the prestigious award.

"I was shocked," she said. "The previous winners of the award are all well known, highly influential psychologists. It is a great honor to receive the award and be listed among them."

The APA Division 7 is the association's subgroup focused on psychologists specialized in human

development. The group's award "recognizes an early career scientist ... who has made a distinguished theoretical contribution to developmental psychology, has conducted pro-



grammatic research of distinction, or has made a distinguished contribution to the dissemination of developmental science," according to the APA website.

McNeil attributed her success in the field to her

past teachers and peers. "It's an award based on my entire body of research to date, so everyone I've learned from and worked with has helped me win the award — all of my mentors, collaborator and students," she said.

McNeil said her former advisor at the University of Wisconsin–Madison was most influential to her academic and professional development.

"My most important teacher, mentor and collaborator is [psychology professor] Martha Alibali. She is the first person who got me interested in cognitive developmental research when I was an undergraduate and she was my advisor in graduate school."

While McNeil is being

recognized for herresearch, she is deeply involved in other aspects of academia at Notre Dame, teaching cognitive development, developmental psychology and learning and instruction for the Alliance for Catholic Education.

McNeil said her work as director of the University's Cognition Learning and Development Laboratory has allowed her to bring together her interests in psychology, education and research.

"One of our goals is to identify the best ways for parents and teachers to structure children's environments to help them learn important math concepts," she said.

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Bailey to head strategic planning

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame has appointed David Bailey as the new head of the Office of Strategic Planning



and Institutional Research, according to a University press

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Group offers weekend activities

By JILLIAN BARWICK Saint Mary's Editor

Saint Mary's Student Activities Board (SAB) has begun offering weekend programming this semester in an effort to expand students' social and entertainment options on campus, SAB president Liz Kraig said.

"SAB has always discussed different weekend options throughout the year," she said. "This fall we decided to finally make those ideas a reality. SAB wants Saint Mary's students to have alternative options for weekend activities on campus." weekends."

So far, SAB has hosted a bowmaking event, a showing of "SnowWhite and the Hunstman" and "Sundaes on Sunday." Kraig said she was pleased with the turnout at the events.

"We have had an extremely successful outcome thus far," Kraig said. "SAB has some great weekend programming events for the rest of the semester, so students should be on the lookout."

SAB weekend and weekday programming will resume shortly after fall break, Kraig said.

Student runs marathon to raise disease awareness

By CAILIN CROWE News Writer

While much of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's communities spent Sunday recovering from this weekend's gameday festivities in Chicago and preparing for midterms, Saint Mary's senior Emily Pearl revved up for the Chicago Marathon.

Pearl ran the marathon to raise money for Steps for Doug, an organization advocating research and awareness about amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's Disease. She said the cause was personal for her, as the organization was established in honor of a friend's father diagnosed with the disease.



SAB traditional co-chair Liz Robbins said the group did not want the College's students to have to rely on Notre Dame for weekend activities.

"We want to provide the students with an option [for programming] here instead of always having to travel to Notre Dame's campus," she said. "We want the students to feel like SMC is alive and active on "Oct. 28 is 'Belle-a-Boo!' This day of Halloween fun will include pumpkin painting, a 1920s Murder Mystery Dinner and a showing of the 'Halloweentown' Trilogy," she said. "All of the events will take place in the Student Center."

SAB will also host a 'Twilight' Baby Shower on Nov. 15 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Spes Unica

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Pearl, who does not consider herself an avid runner, encourages everyone to take part in a marathon.

"I think anyone who has ever thought about doing a



Photo courtesy of Emily Pearl

Saint Mary's senior Emily Pearl shows her enthusiasm during the Chicago Marathon on Oct. 7.

marathon should. It was one of the best experiences of my life," she said. "I'm not even a runner, but it was still something I would consider doing again and again. As long as you put your mind to it, anyone can do it." After struggling in last year's marathon, Pearl came better prepared to this year's race.

"Last year was my first time running [a marathon], so I didn't know what to expect. I started the race too fast

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QUESTION OF THE DAY:

What is your favorite drink at Starbucks?



Akosua Oben-Nyarko sophomore Pasquerilla East "Mocha Cookie Crumble"



Francis Vu sophomore Keough

"Hot chocolate"

Jack Goza



freshman Knott "Pumpkin Spice (fall), Peppermint Mocha (winter), Passionfruit lemonade (summer) and black coffee (spring)"



Kate Zanker junior Lewis "Small dark roast of the day with room"





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Lucas Garcia sophomore "Tall Earl Grey hot tea"

Kathleen Webster

"Grande peppermint mocha"

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Ryan



Students enjoy the autumn season and throw leaves on God Quad. Fall will soon be an afterthought, as Mother Nature will swiftly change her course to winter and the leaves will be replaced with snow and students will revel in the bounties of the holiday season.

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Wednesday

"The Fourth Stage of the Arab-Israel Conflict" Hesburgh Center 4 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Political science lecture

SSLP Session

Tuesday

135 Geddes Hall 4 p.m.-5 p.m. Summer Service Learning Program question forum.

Elevator Pitch Workshop 202 DeBartolo Hall 2 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Craft a well-prepared research description.

Crush for the Cure Angela Athletic Facility 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Donate to help a SMC alumna diagnosed with lymphoma.

"There is No Such Thing as a Secular Society" Hesburgh Library 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Lecture.

Thursday

Concert: ensembleND DeBartolo Performing Arts Center 7 p.m.-8:45 p.m. Tickets \$15-30.

Right to Life Information Table LaFortune 3 p.m.-6 p.m. Part of Respect Life Week.

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Friday

Men's and Women's Swimming: Dennis Stark Relavs Rolfs Aquatic Center 5 p.m.-8 p.m. Free admission.

Saturday

Saturday Scholar Series

Snite Museum 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. The history of campgain commercials.

Football Game

Notre Dame Stadium 3:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Stanford vs. Notre Dame

Apparel company comes to campus

By SARAH MCCARTHY News Writer

University Tees, an apparel company offering custom tshirts, sweatshirts and promotional products for college clubs and events, has established its presence at Notre Dame with its first campus representative, junior Mike Shepardson.

The company, established at Miami University (Ohio) in 2003, typically sells its products to fraternities and sororities at other colleges. However, Shepardson said Notre Dame students' involvement in service work and nonprofits offers a different customer base.

"At other schools, the biggest clientele is the Greek life," Shepardson said. "At Notre Dame, our biggest customers will probably be the charity groups because there's so many different [charitable events] going on."

Despite the lack of Greek organizations at the University, Shepardson said the company sees Notre Dame as an excellent opportunity to expand given its many clubs and service groups. He said University Tees offers discounts to charitable organizations and fundraising events.

"They were excited to [work with] Notre Dame, regardless of the fact that there's no Greek life, because there's a lot of opportunity here," he said.

With University Tees having a number of online competitors, Shepardson said the company differentiates itself by offering a more collaborative and customized approach.

"I can help work with people's budget and control the pricing," he said. "I'm able to get to know the customer and, by doing that, I can get them better service and help get what they need."

Shepardson said the company's business model offers Notre Dame students a more userfriendly experience.

"[University Tees] makes the ordering process more efficient by having someone on campus who's available 24/7, rather than dealing with a big company with a ton of different customers," he said.

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SAB

release of the final installment of the series, she said. As the film centers around the arrival of the main characters' baby, the group will use the opportunity to benefit a charitable cause.

"We will be celebrating Renesmee's arrival with fun snacks, games and 'Twilight' give-a-ways. We will also be having a children's toy and women's needs drive leading up to the baby shower," she said. "All items will be donated to local women's shelters."

The group's annual Winter Wonderland event will be Dec. 1. SAB is partnering with other clubs and organizations at the College, the South Bend School Corp., Notre Dame, Cross IIISB and Iww

Holy Cross, IUSB and Ivy Tech for the event, Kraig said.

"The Winter Wonderland event is a fun-filled day of Christmas activities," she said. "All events will be held in the Student Center on the Saint Mary's College campus and are free for South Bend students and their families."

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Alumni, students manage housing rental business

By LILY MCGILL News Writer

Founded in 2006 by three Notre Dame graduates, Rent Like a Champion (RLAC) offers football weekend rentals and off-campus student housing with the help of student managers.

Student manager Jack Keller said the rapidly growing business was inspired by the founders' experience living off campus in a dilapidated part of town.

"[RLAC founders] lived off campus and saw how rundown the neighborhoods were and how bad the city on home game weekends as an alternative to pricey and scarce hotel rooms, Keller said.

"It's such a genius idea because it perfectly filled the void," he said. "My family used to try to come back for football games when I was younger, and renting hotel rooms was always such a pain. We'd spend so much money ... the hotels jacked up their prices."

The need for alternative accommodations near campuses with major football programs has fueled the company's growth to other college towns, he said. "We expanded to Penn State last year ... and this summer we went to 28 new schools," he said. "If you go down a list of the top 30 football programs in the country by attendance and popularity, we're at all of them right now." Rentals marketed by RLAC's partner University Football Rentals at schools such as the University of Michigan, the University of Iowa and the University of Texas have been met with substantial demand, student manager Pat Adams said.

"That's huge."

Keller said the student housing side of the business has contributed to the company's growth as well.

"My first year we had about 40 people rent from us," he said. "This year's I'd say we're going to have 60, maybe 70."

Keller attributed much of the company's success at Notre Dame to its staff being made up entirely by Notre Dame graduates and students.

"Every person involved with the company is part of the Notre Dame family," Keller said. "They understand what a lot of our renters

Obama hopes for campaign rebound





was hurting," Keller said.

Keller said the founders originally bought houses in disrepair, renovating them and renting them to South Bend families. The business later transitioned to providing student rentals and eventually incorporated weekend rentals to football fans, alumni and students' families.

"At the start of RLAC, the focus was to benefit the community," Keller said. "After doing that for so many years, a business naturally developed from it."

The company originally offered its website as a venue for South Bend homeowners to list their residences for rent

"Last year we had over 300 rentals and made a profit of over \$500,000," Adams said. are expecting when they rent and thus they're able to better serve all their customers." Incorporating students into the company's operations has helped get the word out about the relatively young business, student manager James Schappler said.

"It's very unique in the sense that the people who are marketing and selling the properties are students," Schappler said. "The name's easier to get out because the students are actually on campus with you: They go to school with you."

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President Barack Obama speaks in front of the Cesar Chavez National Monument on Oct. 8. Obama hopes to rebound from last week's debate.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As the White House race shows signs of tightening nationally, President Barack Obama's campaign is banking on a massive get-out-the-vote operation and state-by-state shades of economic improvement to maintain its apparent polling edge in battlegrounds from Ohio to Virginia.

Republican Mitt Romney, reenergized by last week's debate, is flashing new confidence on the campaign trail and pressing toward the political center on both foreign and domestic issues. But aides have outlined no clear path to winning the 270 Electoral College votes required to gain the White House.

"Things are going pretty good," the usually cautious Romney said Monday with a smile.

Among Democrats, the swagger of the previous few weeks has all but vanished since the debate.

"Ultimately this is a tight race, and it's going to remain a tight race until the end," said Bill Burton, who runs Priorities USA Action, a pro-Obama "super" political action committee.

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Venezuelan leader faces poor economy

Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela — During hisre-election campaign, President Hugo Chavez promised to deepen the "21st century socialism" that has meant an ever-greater state role in the economy. That message won him a surprising 11-percentage point win in what many had thought would be a tight race.

Still, he's set to start a fourth presidential term under challenging economic circumstances. The government's free-spending ways, bankrolling the generous social programs that aided his re-election, may be seriously crimped.

Chavez faces immediate economic time bombs beginning with a rapidly expanding public debt, one of Latin America's highest inflation rates and a weakening currency.

Many economists believe Chavez will have no choice but to devalue the currency, the bolivar, by about half early next year at the latest. That will make the money in people's pockets suddenly worth a lot less and likely drive inflation while putting imported consumer goods out of reach for poorer Venezuelans.

"He's going to have to deal with some very basic, mundane capitalist things, like reducing inflation," which stands at 18 percent, said Eduardo Gamarra, a Latin American studies professor at Florida International University in Miami.

Price controls and government subsidies for basic foodstuffs have eased inflationary pressures but a major devaluation would drive prices higher and could worsen scarcities, economists say.

"Investment in social issues is great, but he needs to do other things as well that are going to make that economy more productive," said Gamarra.

Venezuela's economy grew by 5 percent this year but only because of government spending, primarily on raising salaries for many of the country's at least 2.4 million public employees and paying for thousands of new homes that Chavez is giving away, said Joao Pedro Ribeiro, an economist at Roubini Global Economics in New York.

"We think the outlook for the short term is very bleak," he said, with economic growth at about 2 percent next year and "inflation spiking to 30 percent."

At the heart of Chavez's economic challenges is declining productivity in the oil industry, which accounts for 95 percent of exports and funds Chavez's social programs. Governing the country with the world's largest proven oil reserves has so far insulated Chavez from the fallout of his confrontational polices, including a drop in foreign investment.

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Minister urges Greek action



European Central Bank president Mario Draghi, left, listens to European Economic and Monetary Affairs commisioner Olli Rehn during the Eurogroup meeting in Luxembourg on Oct. 8.

Associated Press

LUXEMBOURG — Greece and its international lenders need to agree quickly on a program of reforms so the next tranche of bailout loans can be released, the head of the group finance ministers from the 17 countries that use the euro said Monday.

Inspectors for the so-called troika — the International Monetary Fund, the European Central Bank, and the European Commission are currently in Greece, looking for ways to reduce the country's debt. Greece needs more money soon to avoid defaulting on its obligations. Greece has depended on bailouts from Europe and the IMF since May 2010. To get the loans, it has implemented a series of deep budget cuts and tax hikes, while increasing retirement ages and facilitating private sector layoffs.

However, Athens must pass further austerity measures worth €3.5 billion (\$17.5 billion) over the next two years to qualify for its next rescue loan payment — without which the government will run out of cash next month. It is these cuts and tax enforcement measures that Greece and the troika are currently negotiating.

Jean-Claude Juncker, the

eurogroup chief, speaking to reporters in Luxembourg after a meeting of the finance ministers of the euro countries, praised Greek officials and their willingness to do what is necessary for the country and its economy. And he said a report from representatives of the troika was largely positive.

"We were happy to learn that substantial progress has been made over the last weeks — and, mainly, days," Juncker said. "We called on the troika to finalize their negotiations and agree on a complete set of measures to close the fiscal gap for '13 and '14 as soon as possible."

an-Claude Juncker,

Bailey

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release.

As associate vice president for strategic planning, Bailey will assist the Office of the President in developing the University's strategic plan, assessing progress, overseeing departmental strategic planning and issuing reviews for the provost and executive vice president, the release stated.

University President Fr. John Jenkins said Bailey's past experience outside the University as well as his time as the interim head of the office have prepared him well for the position.

"David's experience as a Notre Dame alumnus, his time in the office he will now head, and his long and distinguished career in business amply equip him for this critical position," Jenkins said in the release. "His appointment further strengthens the University's advancement toward institutional excellence."

Bailey graduated from Notre Dame in 1983 before receiving an MBA from the Stern School of Business at New York University in 1997. He previously worked at IBM, Wall Street firm Gerard Klauer Mattison & Co. and Goldman Sachs.

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Marathon

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and was not thinking about the four hours I had left to run," she said. "This year, I knew what was ahead of me and I did a better job pacing myself."

She said the milder weather made this year's race more manageable.

"The weather was awesome. It was chilly out, which was perfect for running," she said. "It was really hot last year, which made the run difficult. I feel most tired when I'm hot so it was great having a little chill in the air this year."

Pearl said she is now considering participating in a triathlon, but will definitely be competing in more marathons in the meantime.

"I am definitely going to continue running marathons," she said. "During the actual race I always tell myself that I'm never going to sign up again because of how long it is, but the feeling I get when I've finished the race is like nothing else."

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VIEWPOINT

INSIDE COLUMN

Taste the victory



Vicky Jacobsen

Sports Writer

In more than two years as a resident of Breen-PhillipsHall, I've found there are a few of things that we Babes can always count on. Firstly, we know that we will never feel neglected by @NDdormjokes. Secondly, we never need to search too far to find a source of snacks. And thirdly, our flag-football team has been and always will be bad. How bad? Cal Tech basketball level bad. But while I never thought I would see such a thing, the impossible happened on Oct. 2, 2012: BP won a football game.

We only had 10 girls playing. We had no time to warm-up and no practice since we'd been mercy-ruled the previous Sunday. Half of our coaches were stuck in class or exams, and half of us were playing defense for the first time. But none of that mattered, and as we closed out a 20-18 win over Lyons, we all ran half-mad to embrace on the sideline as if such an event had never before occurred.

Of course, as far as we were concerned, this was a first. I do know that we were completely shutout in my freshman campaign — in four games, we didn't manage so much as a safety — and last season we played in pinnies that had "No Mercy (Rule)" written across the back.

Lest anyone think I'm blaming my teammates for our failures over the years, I assure you that I hold more than my fair share of the blame. I'm no good at pulling flags, I'm too slow to make a good running back and as an offensive lineman I probably spent more time impeding the progress of my teammates than I did protecting the quarterback. If I wasn't the most penalized player in the league last year, then I must have been awfully close.

Let's put it this way: There was a reason why no one questioned the appropriateness of my coaches bestowing me with the "Dr. Jekyll and You Better Hyde Award for Most Aggressive Pass Blocking."

And that's why it felt so good to finally, finally come out on top in a Recsports contest. As competitive as I am, I'm not sure I've ever entertained the thought of playing in the title game in the stadium. For those of you who have the luxury of setting your sights that high, a close Tuesday night win behind Stepan Center probably won't be one of the most memorable moments of your college years (ditto for those of you who actually have their priorities straight and devote more energy to chemistry class than interhall sports.) But for people like me — people who care way too much but don't see the payoff that often --- this was special. BP is 1-14 since I arrived on campus, and I wasn't happy to lose any of those games. But it's those 14 defeats that made the one victory feel so good. Well, that and the celebratory froyo.

Everyone loves St. Francis

Christina Mondi Raising Voices

Everyone loves St. Francis. When I mentioned his feast day on Facebook, Catholic and non-religious friends alike gave the thumbs-up. The dining halls baked cakes. There was a special Mass in the Basilica.

Besides being struck by the irony of the vanilla lambs, I sometimes worry that we romanticize Francis too much.

When a million movements claim him as their poster-boy, when we anchor statues of him in our gardens and imagine him dancing barefoot in the sun with the birds, we risk missing the point of what was really radical about him.

When St. Francis was about our age, he was coasting through life. He had it made. And then one day, while he was selling velvet in a crowded marketplace — as he'd done dozens of times before — he noticed a beggar sitting in the corner, ignored by every single person passing by.

EDITORIAL CARTOON

We all know the rest of the story: how Francis chased after the beggar, how he exchanged clothes with him and later denounced his father's inheritance. That is awesome. But let's rewind a bit.

The very first radical thing that Francis did, before he founded an order, cared for lepers, negotiated with a Sultan or whatever, was to see that man in the marketplace, to really see him, for the first time.

How many times had he sat there before, unnoticed amidst all the hustleand-bustle? Francis may have been the very first person to see him for who he really was: not a beggar, but a man and a brother.

The next radical thing that Francis did was to run after him.

Francis was a lot like many of us: 20-something, well-off and well-educated. For him, there was no lightning from the sky or intellectual "aha!" moment. He just opened his eyes to what was smack-dab in front of him all along.

Not all of us can go to Appalachia for fall break, or make it to a soup kitchen

every week. Some of us may always live and work in environments like that marketplace — Notre Dame is certainly one.

But the example of St. Francis challenges us to not use our circumstances as an excuse for not reaching out to others.

He challenges us to look more closely for those who are poor and tired around us — a friend going through a rough time, a worn-out housekeeper, a dorm-mate sitting alone in the dining hall — and to go out of our way not only to acknowledge them, but to love them.

In those little moments, we might become saints.

Take a look around!

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I would rather sit on a pumpkin, and have it all to myself, than be crowded on a velvet cushion."

WEEKLY POLL

What's your favorite stressreliever for midterms week?

Henry David Thoreau American author and naturalist Tweet your response with #ViewpointPoll by 5 p.m. Thursday.

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VIEWPOINT

Harmony and discord

Alex Coccia Shard of Glass

"Silent night, holy night ... Dr. Martin Luther King says he does not intend to cancel plans for an open housing march Sunday into the Chicago suburb of Cicero ... Police in Cicero said they would ask the National Guard be called out if it is held ... Round yon virgin mother and child ... In Washington, the atmosphere was tense today as a special sub-committee of the House Committee on Un-American Activities continued its probe into anti-Vietnam war protest ... Sleep in heavenly peace."

Such is the chilling and poignant juxtaposition of the Aug. 3, 1966, 7:00 news and the simple carol, "Silent Night," produced by Simon and Garfunkel. Such is the dichotomous view of the world they present. It is a view of the world with a surface theme of harmony, but the undertone of conflict. Saul Alinsky says that if all of human history could be incorporated into a singular musical score, it would be one of discord. This song, while unifying disparate themes, is wrought with division and strife.

As part of a story of an era in American history, the subtext is prejudice. It is a view of the world in which humans come together to praise what is sacred while underneath the ineffable is the mental, physical and emotional clash of these human beings. It contrasts the celebration of a single human life with the consecration of the view of human beings as objects and as means.

The irony surrounding this juxtaposition is that it is the reality of our existence. James Carroll writes, "I claim an identity that limits me. Yet equally it gives me a place to stand." Here, Carroll identifies the present balance: standing tall in our self-identity while not letting our height block that invaluable vision of others, not letting our vision of the sacred block our engagement with those around us. Recognizing this reality can lead to either a defeatist and apocalyptic attitude or a call to action.

Unfortunately, there is certainly no definitive answer to change this reality. Indeed, the process throughout human history has been one of success and failure, where conflict has been the perceived means to peace, where the resolution of one conflict plants the seeds of another and where human beings are both the ends, and the means to a perceived greater end. There are few road maps and limited signs. There is only direction.

Yet, in the midst of all of this mixture of harmony and discord, our mission is to fully engage with the world and its problems, meaning that we engage further with each other in the complete understanding that this engagement will inevitably create more conflict. Yet, we do not shy away; we simply approach our interactions with a more pure vision of the world as it is.

We must start with this reality of the world — our limitations and our foundations and the sinuous curve of harmony and discord. However, as Alinsky notes, "that we accept the world as it is does not in any sense weaken our desire to change it into what we believe it should be — it is necessary to begin where the world is if we are going to change it to what we think it should be." We must have a vision of where we would like to be as a human race grounded in the reality of where we currently find ourselves. That vision must include others.

It is ultimately an "other-oriented" lens through which we must address our actions in life, a lens to be enhanced by the sacred and profound, not blinded by their radiance. It is a vision of religion as a path to God and in service to God through service to other human beings, not in spite of other human beings. Similarly, other lofty sentiments like democracy cannot merely be the ends for which human beings are the means. The Simon and Garfunkel rendition illustrates this fault in instances when order becomes the ends by which civil rights are refused, or national security becomes the ends by which dignity is violated. The necessary vision must be that "the least of these" refers to each of us at one time or another. It is a vision that both oppressor and oppressed have to bear.

Alinsky writes, "In the world as it is there are no permanent happy or sad endings," just a continuing appreciation for the beauty and struggle of human relationships and interactions. "No man is an island," proclaimed John Donne. At least, none should be — not in our successes, our failures, our ecstasies or our agonies. As human beings, we do have our moments of solitary experience. But the island paradise we seek is found in other human beings. Even when our personal melodies are ones of discord, they are symphonic with others in the world.

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UWIRE

Mischaracterizing feminism

Becca Rothfeld The Dartmouth

Since the advent of second-wave feminism in the 1960s, the mainstream feminist movement has suffered a disquieting decline in popularity. According to a 2009 poll conducted by CBS News, only 24 percent of American women identify themselves as feminists. Among men, numbers are even more disheartening: Only 14 percent of the American male population identifies as feminist, while 24 percent of American men regard the term as an insult.

It is difficult to see what could be so off-putting about a movement whose primary aims are so innocuous. I doubt that feminism's detractors would oppose the elimination of institutionalized gender inequalities or endorse the objectifying practices that underlie a culture of rampant sexual assault. It is equally unlikely that these self-proclaimed antifeminists would champion the glass ceiling, defend employment discrimination or speak out on behalf of domestic abuse. What, then, could possibly account for the recent wave of hostility toward the feminist position — a position whose goals are so uncontroversial by most modern

standards?

Junior J.P. Harrington explained he is not a feminist because he perceives the movement as having "largely strayed from self-determination and independence to arguing for special benefits."

These anecdotal reports lend credence to what I have long suspected — that most opposition to feminism derives from a complete misunderstanding of what the movement actually entails. Backlash against the feminist position is not a response to the arguments and ideas presented in feminist literature or women's and gender studies classrooms, but rather a response to the caricatures of feminism that riddle popular culture.

According to common logic, the feminist is an unshaven, combative creature intent on the utter destruction of the male sex. She is willfully ignorant of the difficulties that males face in our society, and she is selfrighteously indignant at every opportunity. Although she is quick to blame individual men for the long history of chauvinism plaguing the Western world, she remains incredibly resistant to engaging in even a cursory examination of her own role in the process of female marginalization. Even the most favorable popular portrayals of feminists still tend to

represent them as aggressive, abrasive and unappealingly sanctimonious.

Such a characterization could not be more misleading. Although the term "feminism" refers to a diverse array of stances and intellectual advocacies, there is widespread consensus among feminists that the goal of the movement is to promote critical dialogue and self-reflection. Feminism is not so much a commitment to a certain set of beliefs as it is a commitment to general inquiry and dialectic. Prominent feminist theorists like Luce Irigaray and Judith Butler are less wedded to any particular account of the world than they are to presenting challenges to unquestioned cultural conventions.

Much of the criticism levied against feminism relies on the unfounded assumption that feminists ignore men's issues or hope to fight misogynistic hierarchies by reversing them. In point of fact, most contemporary feminists are quite sympathetic to the male plight. From a feminist perspective, female oppression and male oppression arise from the same central source: from the series of social expectations that conspire to create gender roles. The chauvinism responsible for the suppression of women is bound up with the very same cultural structures that demand certain

behaviors from men. The notion that women should be demure, sentimental and delicate is closely related to the corresponding notion that men should be strong, stalwart and reserved. Consequently, any discussion of gender norms that fails to address men's issues is miserably incomplete.

Feminism is nothing if not cautious when it comes to assigning responsibility and blame — indeed, many tomes have been dedicated to an examination of women's hand in their own subjugation, a consequence of the internalization of sexist ideologies. The position is not anti-men — it is merely anti-patriarchy, and reasonably so.

The myth of the dogmatic, hysterical feminist is one more attempt to silence the feminine voice and discredit the female point of view. The assumption implicit in such accounts is that women could only oppose their own oppression by assuming an unreasonable posture, an assumption that smacks of familiar stereotypes and prejudices.

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Eva Chen, beauty editor for "Teen Vogue," is constantly Instagramming inspiring pictures of everything from home décor to fashion, but she's best at showing what hot new products are on the market and the best ways to use them.



@dogsofinstagram

There are almost too many cute dogs on





ANKUR CHAWLA Scene Writer

This past spring I spent my semester abroad in Fremantle, Australia. During our first week there, we had the brilliant idea of watching "Taken" to serve as a warning of stranger danger. Naturally, I was scared for the next month that I was going to be taken into the underground world of suburban Australia.

The prevalence and defining nature of the first of the two "Taken" films was just how realistic it seemed. The villains were highly intelligent, organized and enigmatic. Meanwhile, Liam Neeson delivered powerful and memorable lines attributed to a well-written script and strong acting skills. The dialogue and storyline portrayed the intricate world of human trafficking and international security in a compelling and exciting way to make "Taken" a modern classic.

"Taken 2" was not.

Riddled with horrible dialogue, overly dramatic camerawork and an antagonist group that makes our political system seem organized and efficient, "Taken 2" was a sad box office stunt that you should not waste your time or money on.

Liam Neeson's character is a former spy with a specific set of skills conducive to tracking down bad people and killing them. In the first movie, he tracks down a network of Eastern European human traffickers who had kidnapped his daughter and her friend. In the process, he snapped many necks and left a few dead bodies in his path. The sequel follows one of the deceased's fathers in his quest for revenge against the man who killed his son. While there is a similar, parallel story of Neeson's character and his family members being taken while visiting a foreign country, there doesn't exist the same level of intrigue and mystery surrounding their motives. Furthermore, a group of five of them is taken out while watching a soccer match and

eating kebabs (I understand they're crazy about that stuff in Europe, but it's a silly way to go). They seemed incredibly unorganized and at times under qualified to go after anyone played by Liam Neeson.

Adding to the absurdity and unrealistic nature of the movie, one particular scene shows Neeson's character with a concealed cell phone while handcuffed in a prison communicating to his daughter, Kim, who was still at their hotel. He directs her to throw grenades in a few particular directions trying to triangulate his particular location. Though admittedly a cool and clever tactic, I'm not sure how the detonation of live grenades in the densely populated city of Istanbul would go over with the locals and authorities (nor would I trust a teenage girl to throw a grenade any sort of safe distance with no practice).

"Taken 2" tries to take you in to theaters with promises of a similar thrill ride as the original, and unfortunately it does no such thing. With a lazy mess of a script and overly zealous "cinematography" it is no more exciting than Tom Cruise and Cameron Diaz's "Knight and Day" and with as much depth as any movie starring The Rock.

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Instagram. This account compiles the cutest of the cute so look no further when trying to find the perfect pick me up on a rough midterm dav.

@badgirlriri

Nobody is better than Rihanna at giving her fans an all access pass to her life. She frequently Instagrams candid shots of her with her family and friends, but be warned she's also notorious for uploading random quote photos.

"Taken 2"

Starring: Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen

Director: Oliver Megaton

If you like: Bad action movies



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SCENE

CONSCIOUS RAPPERS



KEVIN NOONAN Scene Editor

Hey, guys, remember when Ray Lewis was charged with murder? Hang with me for a second, Scene hipsters. He's a sports guy.

The Baltimore Ravens linebacker was acquitted of the murder charge in a plea agreement in exchange for a guilty plea for obstruction of justice.

Over the course of his long career, he's cultivated and earned a reputation as a mercilessly tough defensive player who plays with immense passion and at times reckless abandon. His detractors might even go so far to say that he has, at times, perhaps even been a bit of a thug on the football field.

He's not exactly the type of spotless goody two shoes you'd expect to the NFL to put up as a role model.

But in a recent NFL commercial, they do just that. Kind of. The ad features Lewis in a press conference filled with reporters, but he ends up taking questions from a cute little girl that include "What's your favorite color?" and "Do you like my dress?"

All in all it's a very warm and friendly ad, and it's hard not to smile at. But like I said before, it's not like anybody really expects Lewis to be a moral compass. We know it, the NFL knows it, and most importantly perhaps, the NFL knows that we know it.

With so many scandals of all shapes and sizes coming and going in professional sports, it's hard to really imagine any player as a perfect role model, which is good €nobody's perfect, and it's not fair to expect people constantly under the spotlight to be perfect either. For that exact reason, because everybody knows that Ray Lewis' reputation isn't exactly angelic, this commercial shows wisdom on the NFL's part. If Lewis gets in some scandal, say a bounty investigation as we saw in New Orleans, the message of the ad isn't lost. Yeah, he might've gotten in trouble, but it's Ray Lewis, he doesn't have the same expectations forced on him as other players.

It's a bit cynical, maybe, planning for the possibility of a scandal, and I'm sure if you asked the NFL they would say this reasoning had nothing to do with it.

But what if it was, say, Kurt Warner, known as a fervent Christian and exactly the type of person the NFL might hold up as a role model for youth, on an ad like this when he was in his heyday? If he found himself in some hot water under the national media spotlight, the NFL would lose face and the ad would certainly leave a bad taste in the public's mouth.

Now, with that in mind, take a look at the world of music. Seattle-based rapper Macklemore's latest album "The Heist" drops in stores today. He released a video for a single off the album, "Same Love," last week. Both the song and the video highlight the rapper's support for gay marriage, which is certainly a socially conscious message not often seen in today's mainstream hip-hop landscape.

But last week in an interview, Macklemore talked about wanting to avoid the "socially conscious" label. Yes, he supports gay marriage, but that doesn't define his music.

"I think it's a stupid box to put anybody in," Macklemore said in his interview with the source.com. "If you're living, if you're breathing, if you're rapping, you're conscious. I understand what they're getting at; to me I'm not more or less conscious than anyone else. This is my perspective, this is the life that I've lived, and that's why I'm rapping the way that I'm rapping." Macklemore is a former drug and alcohol abuser whose career, which showed promise in the early 2000s, was derailed for most of the decade. Since going clean, he's teamed up with producer Ryan Lewis and adopted a new attitude in his music.

raps from his life perspective, informed by all of his experiences and nothing more.

We've seen what can happen when a rapper takes on the social consciousness label and dives a little too deeply into it. Lupe Fiasco, who recently released his latest album, "Food & Liquor II: The Great American Rap Album Pt. 1," may be the prime example of what happens when society forces a label on an artist.

Lupe was known as a talented lyricist with positive social messages, but his views evolved into more extreme and drastic statements. In one interview he called President Barack Obama a terrorist, and followed it up with a confusing and radical interview with Bill O'Reilly. From the outside looking in, it seems the "conscious" label got to his head, and judging by the mixed reviews of his newest release, it might be affecting his music.

I had the pleasure to meet and interview Macklemore and Ryan Lewis when they came to campus last winter. I was struck by how incredibly down to earth and humble they were. They're just two good guys who make good music, and it seems important to them to stay grounded in their own perspectives.

When the album comes out, with tracks like "Same Love" and "Wings," which critiques America's consumer culture, it will be easy to label Macklemore. But when you free people like him and Ray Lewis of labels, and don't place manufactured expectations on their lives, you free them to just do their thing in the way they see best. Maybe we should just let Macklemore make music, and enjoy it while he does, whether his messages are always socially conscious or not.

He doesn't put on fronts; he doesn't pretend he's something he's not. He

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

Fans need some perspective



though 6-4 instead of 6-3.

As Two-Face so eloquently stated in "The Dark Knight," "It's not about what I want, it's about what's fair!"

Sam Gans

Sports Writer

The whole notion of accountability - who it is fair to blame when a problem occurs and who it is fair to expect to fix it - has been in the news often recently as we move closer to the presidential election. Both candidates have tried to portray the necessity of different groups sacrificing some things they want for what the candidates believe is fair to help the nation.

Sports also have a nature of accountability, but in a different sense. All you have to do to see the fair result of a game is look at the scoreboard after it. The team that scores the most points — by virtue of making the most big plays and making the fewest amount of mistakes — is the better one, at least on that day, no matter what you may want as a fan. The team that does not perform the best is held accountable in a simple way: It lost.

But that's in a perfect world that doesn't factor in a key outside influence known as game officials.

Fans, including myself, don't want to believe it's possible that their team could simply just not be as good as the opponent. This is what makes referees such easy scapegoats. It's a way to say the final score is not actually fair. It's a way to hold someone besides your heroes accountable for the fact they could not get the job done on the field that day. And the media only helps spur this view.

The officials have been in the news a lot lately. The most recent example was Friday's National League wildcard game between Atlanta and St. Louis. The Braves, batting in the bottom of the eighth down 6-3, should have had the bases loaded with one out, but a horrendous infield fly call gave Atlanta two outs and runners on only second and third base. The ruling was referred to as "game-changing" by fans and the media alike. Well, it technically did change the game. Outcome-changing, on the other hand? Probably not. The score would not have changed. The Braves still would have been down three runs. If the next three at bats went the way they did, Atlanta would still have entered the ninth down multiple runs,

Regardless of the call's impact, it makes an easy excuse to allow Braves fans to forget that Atlanta committed three more errors and left 10 more men stranded than the Cardinals, and, frankly, didn't deserve to win.

Another gaffe occurred in the now infamous ending to the Packers vs. Seahawks game two weeks ago. In this case, Packers fans have a much more legitimate gripe, because it was outcomechanging, and Green Bay did deserve to win.

But it was also the Packers' poor offensive performance that put them in the position to lose in the first place, as they gained fewer than 270 total yards all night. I maintain there were three winners that emerged from that game. The Seahawks and the NFL referees, who were back on the field three days later after settling their lockout, were the obvious ones.

But also, ironically, the Packers' offensive line won. America's entire focus shifted from Green Bay allowing a whopping eight sacks to the call at the end of the game. Plus, guard T.J. Lang gained an additional 70,000 Twitter followers in a span of 24 hours due to his expletive-laden tweets directed toward the NFL. And everyone knows Twitter followers are much more important than wins and losses.

If you still doubt the lengths fans and the media will go to blame anyone but the athletes on the field, I give you two names: Steve Bartman and Alex Gonzalez. Bartman — who did nothing wrong was the scapegoat, not the Major League shortstop that botched the routine inningending double play. Why?

This column is not trying to take away blame from officials and give them a free pass. On the contrary, good officiating protects the integrity of the game, and they should be held accountable by the leagues. And fans have the right to be upset when a bad call plays a role in a loss. All this is asking is for fans to, first and foremost, acknowledge their team's faults and admit their performance was the ultimate reason they lost, even if they don't want to. After all, it's about what's fair.

Chiefs replace Cassel with Brady Quinn

Associated Press

NFL

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - The Chiefs are down to their backup quarterback for the second year in a row.

Matt Cassel sustained a concussion in the fourth quarter of Sunday's game against Baltimore and is unlikely to play in next weekend's game at Tampa Bay, which means Brady Quinn is preparing to start an NFL game for the first time in nearly three years.

Cassel was hit by the Ravens' Haloti Ngata while completing a pass to Jamaal Charles in the Chiefs' 9-6 loss. He remained on the ground for several minutes before walking off the field and straight to the locker room. Quinn finished out Kansas City's final offensive series.

"Some individuals recover faster than others," Chiefs coach Romeo Crennel said, "but with the emphasis on concussions in the league, they're making sure we do due diligence with the player's health, making sure he's not rushed back, so we'll see."

Crennel didn't officially rule Cassel out against the Buccaneers, but he said that Quinn and third-string quarterback Ricky Stanzi would be preparing to play.

"That's one of the good things about having three quarterbacks on the roster," Crennel said. "If you lose one, at least you still have two guys, and you don't have to go trying to pick someone up off the street. You have guys who have been in the system."



Chiefs quarterback Matt Cassel throws during the first quarter against the Buffalo Bills in Orchard Park, N.Y., on Sept. 16. 2012.

the Chiefs found themselves in last season.

Cassel hurt his throwing hand against the Denver Broncos last November, undergoing surgery and landing on injured reserve. Tyler Palko was an abject failure starting in his place, and the Chiefs wound up claiming Kyle Orton off waivers to finish out the season.

The move to Quinn may have happened eventually even if Cassel hadn't been hurt.

The former Pro Bowl quarterback has struggled mightily the past two seasons, and his troubles this year have been especially glaring. Cassel was only completing 58.5 percent of his passes and had thrown five touchdowns and a leagueleading nine interceptions.

His quarterback rating of

That was the predicament 66.2 is the lowest since he became a starter in New England.

That's part of the reason some intrepid fans raised enough money to hire a plane to tow a banner before Sunday's game pleading for Cassel to be benched, and why a small segment of the crowd at Arrowhead Stadium cheered when he got hurt - drawing the ire of right tackle Eric Winston and his teammates, and touching off a national debate about uncouth behavior of some fans.

Winston called the cheering "100-percent sickening" after the game, and stood by his opinion during a meeting with a few reporters Monday. But he also made sure to clarify that he wasn't talking about all Kansas City fans, just those who were cheering Cassel's injury.

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With the stars up above in your eyesA fantabulous night to make romance-Neath the cover of October skies And all the leaves on the trees are falling

To the sound of the breezes that blow-And I'm trying to please to the calling Of your heart-strings that play soft

shine in your blush

Chorus:

and low

Can I just have one a more moondance with you, my love Can I just make some more romance with a-you, my love

I can't wait 'til the morning has come And I know that the time is just right And straight into my arms you will run And when you come my heart will be waiting

To make sure that you're never alone There and then all my dreams will come true, dear There and then I will make you my own

And every time I touch you, you just tremble inside

And I know how much you want me that you can't hide

Notre Dame struggles on home course

By CORY BERNARD Sports Writer

Despite improved play during the second round of the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic, Notre Dame left Warren Golf Course on Monday tied for last place.

The Irish shot a 16-over-par 300 in the first round Sunday, and fired an 11-over-par 295 Monday. Freshman Cory Sciupider, inserted into the starting lineup for the first time in his brief college career, led the Irish with an even-par 71 Monday. Michigan State leads the 12-team field after two rounds with a total team score of one-over-par 569. UNC Wilmington turned in Monday's low round with a combined score of 280. San Francisco, Houston and Xavier round out the top five.

Irish coach Jim Kubinski said every member of the starting five improved their play in the second round, with the exception of junior Niall Platt.

"I think we had, other than Niall struggling, which is pretty rare, the other four guys doing a solid job," Kubinski said. "It was tough out there. We actually had a really good round going, but we gave away probably four or five at the end. We still have a chance tomorrow if we can keep it closer to even par for the round to really move up into the top five which would be a solid finish."

Platt registered his first individual win at the MacDonald Cup in New Haven, Conn., on Sept. 30, but struggled to stay close to par Monday. After firing a four-overpar 75 Sunday, he carded a 9-overpar 80 Monday. Kubinski said the poor weather and conditions of the greens did not allow much margin for error.

"We don't typically play our golf course in these conditions just because you can't maintain it," he said. "It's a little different than how we play and I think Niall was just a little off. The way the course is set up with faster greens and firmer greens, if you are a little bit off you can make a whole bunch of bogeys. He got off to a really tough start with the two four puts. He settled in there and I think he'll go play a good round tomorrow."

Kubinski also expects Sciupider to play well Tuesday. He said the freshman displayed unusual poise after carding a triple bogey on his secondto-last hole of the day.

"Cory had a tough break in the bunker on eight," Kubinski said. "He didn't hit a real good shot and made a triple bogey there but then made a nice three on the last hole. A lot of times a freshman will have a bad hole and carry it with him for the nexthole or two but he didn't. He made a shot (on the last hole) that



Junior Niall Platt prepares to swing at the Warren Golf Tournament on Sept. 26, 2011. Platt had trouble with poor weather this weekend.

almost went in for a hole-in-one. It bounced over the back and he made a nice three."

The Irish begin the final round of the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf

Classic at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday at Warren Golf Course.

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Offense

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momentum into our final game." The Finest will look to end the season with a win when they face McGlinn on Oct. 28. Looking to win two in a row, the Pyros square off against Ryan on Oct. 28.

Ryan 20, Lewis 6

Sunday's matchup between Ryan and Lewis was a game that had

major playoff implications on the line, with the losing team most likely missing out on the opportunity to advance to the postseason this year. In the end, it was Ryan (3-2) that won 20-6 over the Chicks (1-3-1).

"This win puts us in good position to make the playoffs if we can beat [Pasquerilla East]," senior quarterback Maya Pillai said.

The Wildcats offense used an unstoppable sweep run by junior receiver and running back Leah Fisher. On Ryan's first possession, a 30-yard sweep by Fisher set up a seven-yard strike to junior receiver Maddie Swan from Pillai.

Pillai commanded the offense for the Wildcats, going 8-for-15 throwing the ball and racking up many yards on the ground.

The Wildcats scored once more before the half when Pillai sold a fake handoff to Fisher so well that it left sophomore receiver Ashley Veselik wide open in the end zone for the touchdown.

Down 13-0, the Chicks stormed back in the second half. Senior quarterback Connaught Blood led a run-oriented offense, as she was able to scramble to evade most of the Wildcats' pass rush. A 30-yard scramble by Blood set up a short touchdown pass to freshman Abbey Dankoff that pulled the Chicks to within seven.

However, a 20-yard touchdown rush by Fisher on another sweep, complete with a flawless juke, extended Ryan's lead to 20-6.

Pillai said she thinks the time off because of fall break will be beneficial to Ryan's overall health.

"Hopefully with the week off for fall break, we can get some of our injured players back on the field," Pillai said.

Despite suffering a loss that might have knocked the Chicks out of the playoff race, Blood said she thought the game plan was solid. However, she said Lewis still needs to focus on the details.

"Our offense played much better today than we have in past games but we were really hampered by some penalties on key plays and drives," Blood said. "For the next game we'll be working on getting the little things right and having fun as the season starts to wind down." with senior captain and quarterback Emily Golden proving to be effective as a dual threat quarterback. Golden scrambled and rushed to convert fourth downs on multiple occasions.

Welsh Family (4-2) had a staunch red zone defense that contained the Shamrocks in the first quarter. On the other side of the ball, Whirlwinds senior captain and quarterback Victoria Moreno was stymied in the first half as the Shamrock defense, led by senior cornerback Ally Scalo, pressured Moreno into incompletions. Scalo had two sacks in the game that forced the Whirlwinds to punt in the first half.

"They rattled us on the blitz and played an excellent game today," Moreno said. "We missed pulling some flags and we were outplayed."

Golden put the Shamrocks on the board first when she connected with senior receiver Caitlin Day for a touchdown.

But Moreno responded quickly with an incredible 45-yard rushing touchdown that tied the game.

Welsh Family's defense, led by senior linebacker Lynn Tasker and senior defensive lineman Elizabeth Pallante, kept the score even until late in the fourth quarter.

Golden converted another fourth down with two minutes left on the clock. The senior quarterback then threw a touchdown pass to senior receiver Katie Ritter that proved to be the game-winner.





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Ryan hopes to continue its success Oct. 28 against Pasquerilla East in a game that could put them into the playoffs while Lewis battles Pangborn to close out the regular season Oct. 28.

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McGlinn 14, Welsh Family 6

By D.H. KIM Sports Writer

Despite windy, rainy conditions, both McGlinn and Welsh Family battled until the end, when the Shamrocks (4-1)eventually triumphed 14-6 over the Whirlwinds (4-2)on Sunday.

McGlinn (4-1) started out strong

With the win, McGlinn clinched a spot in the playoffs.

"Most importantly we made the playoffs and played an excellent game today," Golden said. "The defense was awesome and we just have to keep this streak and play McGlinn football."

The Whirlwinds are also most likely playoff-bound despite the loss. Welsh Family is finished for the regular season, while McGlinn plays its final game Oct. 28 against Farley.

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MEN'S INTERHALL

Keenan overcomes poor conditions to top rival

Knott, Keough and St. Edward's collect wins in low-scoring games; Fisher, Duncan forfeit

BY CASEY KARNES Sports Writer

"The Battle of the Chapel" lived up to its name Sunday, as Keenan earned a physical 13-0 win over Stanford.

Despite the cold and wet weather, tempers on both sides were hot, as both teams drew multiple personal fouls, and one player was ejected.

But Keenan (3-0) didn't allow the emotion of a rivalry game to distract it from its game plan, and followed dual-threat senior quarterback Andrew McDonough to victory. McDonough, who amassed 90 passing yards and 80 on the ground, said he couldn't downplay the significance of the Knights' win.

"This is a dorm win," McDonough said. "It was for bragging rights, and it was for the chapel."

The Knights' joy comes at the Griffins' expense, as Stanford (1-3) displayed a valiant effort on defense and put constant pressure on McDonough. The leadership of senior linebacker and captain Paul Babiak, along with physical play from senior defensive back Will Tudor, allowed the hard-hitting defensive unit to hold Keenan at bay for most of the first half.

The Griffins' offense, however, was not able to produce, and turned the ball over five times. Stanford junior quarterback Conor Healy struggled to control the ball in the sloppy weather and threw three interceptions. Keenan sophomore cornerback Chris Dearolf picked off a Healy pass late in the second quarter to set up a touchdown pass from McDonough to senior receiver Trevor Yerrick.

McDonough scored on a 10yard run in the final minutes to seal the victory for the Knights.

Despite losing his final game, Babiak said he was not bitter about the season.

"I'm just glad Notre Dame gave us an opportunity to play some football," Babiak said.

Keenan looks to remain unde-

good field position. Knott missed a scoring opportunity on its first possession, as senior running back Joe Beglane fumbled on Morrissey's two-yard-line.

Morrissey could not generate much on the offensive end either and fell behind when Knott scored at the end of the first half on a 29-yard field goal to go up 3-0.

Knott carried the momentum into the second half, when it opened with a four play, 65yard drive that ended in a 3-yard touchdown run by Beglane.

From there, Knott's defense took over, as it forced consecutive turnover-on-downs for Morrissey before recovering a fumble with two minutes left in the game.

Beglane spurred the Juggerknotts offense, as he accounted for Knott's 10 points. Despite his success, Beglane said freshman running back Casey McCaffery, who finished the game with 10 rushes for 104 yards, was essential to the victory.

"[McCaffery] gets the game ball today," Beglane said. "He had a huge game, a couple of big runs, and he's only a freshman, so we're excited to have him around for a few more years."

"This is a dorm win ... It was for bragging rights, and it was for the chapel."

Andrew McDonough senior quarterback Keenan

Meanwhile, Morrissey senior captain Taylor Stein blamed his team's performance on a variety of factors.

"We only had 15 guys out there today," Stein said. "A lot of guys were in new positions, and the weather made it tough to block and throw. In the end, we just couldn't get ourselves together enough to get the ball moving." Morrissey attempts to bounce back when it plays Alumni on Oct. 28, while Knott looks to keep rolling when it faces Duncan the same day.

offensive drive to take command early. Junior quarterback Michael Fischer drove the Kangaroos down the field before junior running back Seamus Donegan ran in for their first touchdown. But after the drive, Keough struggled to consistently make plays.

"The weather was definitely against us," Kangaroos sophomore captain Charlie Magiera said. "We couldn't open up with the pass, and we needed to be more effective on the run."

O'Neill (0-3) also struggled to find consistency on offense. The Mob struggled to establish field position until the fourth quarter, when an interception put them in position to score.

O'Neill then tied the game on a 30-yard pass from freshman quarterback John Doran, and a successful two-point conversion. Junior captain Eric Reed said O'Neill's offense seemed to find its groove toward the end of the game.

"[Offensive efficiency is] something we've been missing, and it looked better today," he said.

Keough freshman defensive back Mitch Patin killed O'Neill's momentum with a pick-six, putting the Kangaroos up 15-8 with twenty seconds to play.

"You can't really blame their quarterback," Magiera said. "He was getting a lot of pressure. We had the offensive line's number and were able to force him into quick throws."

O'Neill will look for its first win Oct. 28 when it plays Dillon, while Keough will try to remain undefeated when it faces Keenan the same day.

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St. Edward's 7, Zahm 0

By KIT LOUGHRAN Sports Writer

St. Edward's enjoyed a bright spot in its difficult season when it pulled out a 7-0 win over Zahm to earn its first victory.

"This was a huge game for



Junior quarterback Paul Rodriguez of St. Edward's looks to pass in a game against Zahm on Sunday. The Gentlemen won 7-0.

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pass for an interception, but Zahm freshman linebacker Paul Mascarenhas dropped the ball immediately after, turning it back over to the Gentlemen..

The Gentlemen came out of halftime with a spark, as they found the end zone on the first play of the half. Rodriguez connected on a 10-yard pass to junior receiver Bryce Persichetti, who then ran the ball 50 yards into the end zone for St. Edward's first touchdown of the season.

Zahm made one last attempt for the end zone when it received the ball with two minutes left in the game. Incomplete passes plagued the Zahmbies passing game, however, and the team's comeback attempt fell short..

Despite the loss, Zahm saw great improvement in its game and looks forward to next season, Bowman said.

"Our defense stood tall and gave up the least amount of points all season," Bowman said. Zahm will return to action will look to extend its winning streak when it faces Sorin on Oct.

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Sorin defeats Fisher

Sunday's scheduled matchup between the Otters and the Green Wave was not played due to a Fisher forfeit for not having enough players. Sorin (3-0) looks to remain undefeated when it plays St. Edward's on Oct. 28, while Fisher (2-1) looks to rebound when it battles Carroll the same day.

Siegfried defeats Duncan

Sunday's scheduled matchup between the Ramblers and the Highlanders was not played due to a Duncan forfeit for not having enough players. Siegfried (3-1) will next take the field in the first round of the playoffs, while Duncan (0-3) will look for its first win when it plays Knott on Oct.

feated when it faces Keough on Oct. 28.

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Knott 10, Morrissey 0

By ALEX WILCOX Sports Writer

In a sloppy game controlled by the weather, Knott defeated Morrissey 10-0 on Sunday.

Sluggish offenses, strong defenses and gnawingly cold wind and rain set the tone for the contest.

Morrissey (1-2) managed just two first downs all game, and Knott (2-1) only mustered three points in the first half, despite Contact Alex Wilcox at awilcox1@nd.edu

Keough 15 , O'Neill 8

By SAMANTHA ZUBA Sports Writer

Sunday's matchup of West Quad rivals came down to the wire, as a final-minute interception lifted Keough to a 15-8 victory.

Keough (3-0) forced a safety and then scored on its first us," St. Edward's junior safety Andrew Blonigan said. "It was the first time we scored, and it was the first time we won." On the game's first play, St. Edward's junior quarterback Paul Rodriguez handed the ball off to junior running back Kevin Katalinic for a 12-yard gain. The run marked the first time that the Gentlemen (1-2) recorded a first down in the first half of a game this season.

Throughout the first half, Zahm senior quarterback Alex Bowman looked for his receivers, but St. Edward's defense kept the Zahmbies (0-4) from moving the chains.

With 10 seconds left in the half, Rodriguez threw a 30-yard

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Purple Weasels continue undefeated streak

Walsh, Pasquerilla East, Ryan, McGlinn and Cavanaugh battle poor weather to take victories

By GREG HADLEY Sports Writer

As Pasquerilla West continues its drive toward Notre Dame Stadium, the Purple Weasels (5-0) exacted revenge on Howard, which has denied their championship hopes in the past, with a 21-0 victory Sunday. Howard (1-4) entered the game scrambling to make the playoffs because of a rash of injuries and poor attendance at games. Still, the Ducks hoped to upset the Purple Weasels, whom they have beaten for the championship before. Early on, the Ducks defense kept them in the game, with sophomore cornerback Marie Cole getting a key interception. However, the Purple Weasels finally broke through toward the end of the first quarter, when sophomore quarterback Lauren Vidal rushed for a score. After that, the Purple Weasels used a balanced attack of rushes and long passes to score twice more before the half to lead 21-0. After the half, the Howard defense stiffened and did not surrender any more points. However, the Ducks offense could not generate any momentum against Pasquerilla West's stout defense. The stalemate lasted the entire second half, giving the Purple Weasels the 21-0 victory and preserving their undefeated season. "Most of our wins are due to our defense," Vidal said. "They're key to us

makingitto[NotreDameStadium]." On offense, the Purple Weasels hope to continue their balanced attack and keep on introducing new running plays, Vidal said. Howard, on the other hand, is out of the playoff picture and, instead, is looking to the future, junior quarterback Clare Robinson said. "We're trying something new every game," Robinson said. "We just want to have fun." Robinson said she wants the freshmen such as Stephanie Peterson, Erin Rice, Maria Ianni and Bridget Doyle to keep developing. Howard will finish its season against Breen-Phillips on Oct. 28 at LaBar Fields, while Pasquerilla West will try and stay undefeated against Lyons the same day before beginning the playoffs.

Walsh 13, Lyons 0

In a showdown between Lyons and Walsh, both defenses dominated, but a costly penalty proved to be the defining moment of the game, as the Wild Women (4-2) emerged victorious, 13-0, on Sunday. At first, the Lyons offense moved the ball easily, aided by Walsh penalties, and eventually reached the four-yard line. However, the Lyonites (1-4) were unable to score and they turned the ball over on downs. Walsh's offense proved to be equally unsuccessful at moving the ball, and the game had all the

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appearancesofascorelessstalemate. But on the Lyonites' next possession, Walsh senior cornerback and captain Lindy Navarre intercepted a pass and returned it 40 yards for the score. Then, on the very next drive, Lyons freshman receiver Alexa Lodenquai appeared to break free for a 50-yard touchdown run. The run was negated, however, by an illegal equipment penalty. The officials ruled that Lodenquai's flags were too hard to pull and Lyons, instead of tying the game, turned the ball over on downs. "When we had that call go against us, it really brought our spirits down," junior captain and safety Christina Bramanti said. "We need to be tougher mentally." The Wild Women, on the other hand, used the second lease on life to expand their lead on a rushing score by senior quarterback Kat Leach. "Sometimes those calls go against us," Leach said. "Today we were the ones that got the call." Leach said the call was less important than the strong play of the Walsh defense, including junior cornerback Connor Sullivan and senior safety Lauren Dunn, which will be important in the playoffs. Lyons too looked past the penalty and instead focused on the positives. "We fought really hard," senior coach Joe Peluso said. "I was happy with the game we played." The Lyonites will next play after fall



KARLA MORENO | The Observe

Breen-Philips junior quarterback Molly Toner shields the ball during a game against Cavanaugh on Sunday night. The Babes lost 13-6.

break with the chance to beat undefeated Pasquerilla West on Oct. 28, while Walsh has completed its schedule and awaits the playoffs.

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Cavanaugh 13, Breen Phillips 6

By ALEX STEMBAUGH Sports Writer

In a hard-fought battle, Cavanaugh emerged with a 13-6 victory over North Quad rival Breen Phillips on Sunday.

Cavanaugh (4-1) started strong offensively, but Breen-Phillips' defense was quick to counter, and posted two of its three interceptions on Cavanaugh's first two possessions. Cavanaugh rebounded quickly, however, as senior quarterback Rosemary Kelly rushed for a 60-yard touchdown on the third drive, part of her 140 yards rushing on the game.

Kelly and sophomore running back Olivia Dietzel ran the option with ease throughout the night, and Dietzel scored a second touchdown to put the Chaos up 13-0. Kelly said shethat the offensive line was crucial to the success of the Chaos' running game.

"I'm really proud of our offense today," Kelly said. "We knew we wanted to run the ball, and we had been working on blocking all week, so our line was really strong today."

"We are really lucky to have four girls that specifically play line, and only one is brand new," senior center and captain Kelly Brakora said. "We take our job really seriously." The Babes (1-3), however, displayed resilience behind a strong ground and air assault headed by junior captain and quarterback Molly Toner. Toner led an offensive team effort for the Babes, as she connected with five different receivers and passed for over 75 yards and one touchdown. Contact Alex Stembaugh at astembau@nd.edu

Pasquerilla East 22, Farley 7

By KYLE FOLEY Sports Writer

Pasquerilla East recorded its first win of the season when it defeated Farley 22-7 on Sunday in a battle of two high-powered offenses.

The inability of the Finest (0-4) to score in the red zone kept them winless.

"The game was fantastic," Pasquerilla East senior captain Anna Perino said. "We were both so evenly matched but in the end I guess we pulled away with the win."

Following a scoreless first quarter, a failed fourth-and-goal attempt for Farley gave the ball back to the Pyros (1-3-1) with four minutes remaining in the first half. After gaining 25 yards, Pasquerilla East took the lead as sophomore quarterback Macy Mulhall connected with sophomore receiver Nicole Ameli on fourth-and-12 for the touchdown. The Pyros failed the onepoint conversion and led by six with 90 seconds left in the half.

With time running out, Farley junior quarterback Lauren Ladowski spearheaded a long drive, capped off by a 25-yard touchdown pass to sophomore receiver Sarah Burbank. Burbank reached over her defender's head to secure the catch, putting the Finest up 7-6 going into halftime.

The Pyros shut the Finest down on a fourth down in the red zone to start the half, killing any momentum the Finest had garnered from their late first half score. Pasquerilla East then took the lead when junior running back Kiah Schaefbauer caught a touchdown pass after setting up the Pyros with a 35-yard rush. The Finest had one final chance to even the score in the fourth quarter. However Perino returned an interception for a touchdown, ending Farley's chance at a comeback.



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"I'm really proud of how well we played against Cavanaugh because they only beat us by seven points," Toner said. "They are a really great team, and we are happy to finish within scoring distance."

Breen Phillips will look to bounce back against Howard on Oct. 28 while Cavanaugh will take on Badin the same day. Ladowski was 20-for-30 through the air to lead the Farley offense. The junior said she was pleased with the offensive performance despite the loss.

"This was our offense's best game," Ladowski said. "We finally figured it out and hope to carry this

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Earthquakes left back Justin Morrow, former Notre Dame player, traps the ball in a 2-1 San Jose MLS win over FC Dallas on July 18.

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"It was a great feeling," Morrow said. "I mean, being a first-time All-Star, you don't really know what to expect. A lot of those guys know each other already. I was happy to do well on the field and I thought all the All-Stars played really well and we had a good time. I think what helped me enjoy it so much was how good we were and the fact that we won. And just to be all smiles after the game and not be disappointed, I think that made it extra special."

The 25-year-old was named an All-Star in just his first season as a full-time starter. Morrow,

who leads the Earthquakes in minutes played while splitting time between left back and center back, said it was a tremendous honor to be named an All-Star.

"It was an honor; it was definitely humbling," Morrow said. "I keep on saying I was representing my team ... because there are so many guys that deserve it. And then being on a team with all the MLS guys, that was great. Meeting everybody in the league that I had been around for a long time, that was really special."

Morrow was honored by the Monogram Club for his All-Star accolade during halftime of Notre Dame's 1-0 win over Oregon State on Sept. 7 at Alumni Stadium. Notre Dame's Department of Athletics and the Monogram Club presented Morrow with a collage highlighting his illustrious career with the Irish.

"That was a really special weekend for me to be able to come back," Morrow said. "That was the first time I had been back on campus since I left. It's been a while. Just to see familiar faces, see some new faces, see how the campus has changed but still get back and see everything was incredible."

Morrow said it was always his goal to play professional soccer. He set up his course load so he could graduate in three-anda-half years and then enter the MLS draft. Despite his foresight, Morrow said the dream didn't come into clear focus until after the 2009 season, his senior year.

"You never know how your career is going to work out," Morrow said. "There are a lot of young athletes who were amazing in high school but just don't turn out the way they would hope. So I don't think [the MLS] clearly came [into view] until after my senior season, or right at the end of my senior season, when I started getting accolades and MLS teams started being interested in me."

Morrow was an Irish team captain during his senior year and garnered second-team all-Big East honors. He appeared in 89 career matches, including 64 starts, and helped Notre Dame to two Big East regular-season titles and four straight NCAA

tournament appearances, including trips to the quarterfinals during his freshman and sophomore campaigns.

Morrow played in 21 matches for the Irish as a freshman, but he never cracked the starting lineup. During his next three seasons, though, he started all but four games. Morrow said Irish coach Bobby Clark was key to his development as a player.

"[Clark] just wouldn't take any nonsense, any distractions," Morrow said. "He totally cut that out of our lives. ... He would always have his little things about being on time, being disciplined and whatnot, and when he is giving you reminders of those little things every day, things like going to bed at the right time, staying away from parties. It just really teaches you how to be a good professional and a good person as well. That's what I remember most."

In addition to the "extreme discipline" Clark instilled in his players, Morrow said he benefited from a Notre Dame soccer program that requires hard work. A self-described hard worker and leader-by-example, Morrow said he grew into those roles thanks to the people around him.

"I think I grew into that," Morrow said. "I mean, I was always a hard worker, but the way the system is set up at Notre Dame soccer it just presses you to be a harder worker. Everyone on our team was so dedicated and everyone wanted to play so

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hard. They were always looking to go a step further than the guy next to you so you could stay on the field."

That competitive nature has spilled over into the professional ranks, where former Irish teammate and current Sporting Kansas City defender Matt Besler has been duking it out with Morrow's Earthquakes for the MLS Supporter's Shield, won by the team with the best record.

"It's funny, it's almost like I am going up against Besler and competing for this thing like we are in college competing," Morrow said. "It's fun."

San Jose currently has a fivepoint on edge on Kansas City for the Shield, thanks in large part to Morrow's defensive presence. The team rewarded its left back Thursday with a new contract.

"I just had a really good feeling about staying in San Jose," Morrow said. "I think the club is headed in a great direction with the way the team has performed this year, and the coaching staff that we have as well as our president and general manager. ... We are going to have a beautiful new stadium, and seeing how that has transformed cities and teams, like Kansas City, who didn't have a nice stadium in the past, now they have one. It's just an incredible atmosphere there, so I think San Jose can be like that and I am looking forward to being a part of it."

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a constant for the young defense, and helped freshman Stephanie Campo learn to fill in for her at left back while she was out.

Since her return last month, Hall haskslipped back into the lineup, and is much of the reason for Notre Dame's current eight-game unbeaten streak, which has featured four shutouts.

"Since she's come back, she's stepped up and won her spot back, and she's been one of our best backs," Waldrum said. "She's so good at getting up and down the flank and getting her service across, and with her pace she's a handful to defend. She's been big for us this year."

Hall will graduate from the Mendoza College of Business in May with a degree in Management-Consulting, and is looking to pursue a career in sports marketing. And while Hall is excited to take yet another step forward in life, she isn't too eager to leave Notre Dame and knows it will never leave her.

"This experience has meant so much," she said. "Just to be a part of something that's bigger than myself, and being part of a winning tradition, has been so much fun. It will definitely be something that I remember for the rest of my

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Wildcats have faced all year.

Although the showdown with Northwestern is a break from the Big East schedule, Clark said the game carries plenty of importance nonetheless.

"It's a huge, top-20, regional game," he said. "You talk about building up [résumés] to get into the NCAAs, this is a critical, critical game for us.

And this could also be critical when it comes to seeding in the NCAAs. It is every bit as important as any conference game, possibly."

Looking to extend their winning streak to three games, the Irish travel to Evanston, Ill., to match up with Northwestern on Tuesday night. Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Lakeside Field.

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Happy Birthday: Good things are heading your way. You can learn a lot from the people around you. Travel and educational pursuits will pay off. A change in direc-tion, vocation and the way you take care of your health and financial matters will lead to greater benefits, personal skills and abilities. Revisit and revise old goals. Your numbers are 4, 11, 15, 21, 26, 35, 40.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Rethink your plans and question your motives. Honesty must take precedence. Emotions will surface due to situations that are tempting but not necessarily good for you. Deal with conflict first, and then proceed with your plans. ★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Make self-improvements that will boost your confidence and give you the edge you need to get ahead personally and professionally. Encouraging others will bring favors you can use in a time of need. Search for common ground with those you love. $\star \star \star \star$

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Stop worrying about what's going on around you. Focus on your achievements. Overdoing it will stand between you and your success. Discipline and hard work will be required if you want to bring about positive change.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Getting out with peers will lead to greater opportunities. Mingle and indulge in talks that concern business and investment prospects. You will connect with someone who has something to contribute to your plans. Accept change readily. ★★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Motivational seminars, traveling or just changing your surroundings will help you resolve pending problems causing undue stress. Don't get angry or emotional when what you should be doing is moving along. *******

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Extravagance will work against you. You cannot buy love or position -- you have to do the work to get the praise. Look for a proposal that can help you advance enough to warrant making the personal changes you desire. Love is highlighted. ★★★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Indulge in events that help you discover your true potential or encourage greater interaction with people who motivate you to follow your pas sion. If you implement what you enjoy doing into how you earn a living, you will achieve satisfaction. **

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A creative outlet will encourage you to grow mentally, emotionally and financially. Combining your talent with what you have to do in order to survive will enhance what you have to offer. Don't limit what you can do to a small location. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will end up in a tough position if you have not been completely honest about your next move, or about the way you feel. Spell out what it is you want to do, and make your move accordingly. A change is required. 🖈 **

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Share ideas with family, friends or your partner and you will reach your goals. Taking what you know and do best and finding a way to introduce what's being offered to you by others will lead to victory. Love and romance are highlighted. ***

AOUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Learn from experience. Stick close to home, and avoid interacting with people who can get you into trouble. Now is not the time to take a chance or to put yourself in an awkward situation that restricts you. Focus on home and your reputation. ★★★

PISCES (Feb. 19- March 20): Do what comes naturally. Show your appreciation toward others, and let your true feelings be heard. Invest in your own talent and what you want to do mentally, physically and financially to advance personally and professionally

Birthday Baby: You are unique, an inspiration to others, and a dedicated and loyal individual

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MEN'S SOCCER

Home wins drive motivation

By JOSEPH MONARDO Sports Writer

One week ago, the Irish were coming off a disappointing road swing in which they endured their first two losses of the year. This week the mood inside the Irish locker room is undoubtedly different, as Notre Dame is coming off a pair of convincing home victories and heading to Evanston, Ill., to face No. 22 Northwestern tonight.

No. 10 Notre Dame (10-2-0, 2-2-0 Big East) unleashed 36 shots, the most ever by the Irish in a conference game, in a 7-1 victory over Pittsburgh on Wednesday before shutting out No. 3 Georgetown, 3-0.

"I thought that it was a good week last week for us," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "Obviously, we were very good against Pittsburgh and then it was a terrific game against Georgetown. Georgetown is a very, very good team, so that was a good game and it was a very good win for us."

In their final non-conference game of the regular season the Irish will take on Northwestern (7-2-2, 2-0-0 Big Ten) tonight. The Wildcats had tallied five consecutive victories earlier in the season before dropping two of their last three contests. Last year the two teams played to a 1-1 draw at Notre Dame.

"They are a good team," Clark said. "In my time here, we have played them four times over the past four years and we have yet to beat them. So we have lost



Junior defenseman Luke Mishu stops a Georgetown opponent in a match Oct. 7 in Alumni Stadium. No. 10 Notre Dame defeated No. 3 Georgetown 3-0.

twice in the NCAA tournament and we tied them [the last two years in the regular season] ... So this is definitely one we want I thought we didn't always to get ahold of."

Although the Irish are coming off consecutive dominating performances, Clark said he wants his team to work on handling the pressure applied by skilled opponents. The Wildcats will provide another test, he said.

"I think Georgetown, they pressed us very hard," Clark said. "I think there are only

three teams this year where I felt, not that we didn't play well, but three teams [against which] handle the pressure [Chivas Guadalajara in the preseason, Akron and Connecticut].

"There were periods in that game against Georgetown where we struggled to handle the pressure ... I think we just have to keep working at getting better playing against very good teams. And, you know, when you play very good teams you are not

going to dominate the game for 90 minutes, they are going to have their part of the game."

Notre Dame will look to limit any damage done by Northwestern during such stretches and secure another victory over a ranked opponent. The Irish have already beaten four teams ranked in the top-25, including three teams ranked in the top-10. Notre Dame is the highest-ranked opponent the

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Morrow reflects on UEFA

By MIKE MONACO Sports Writer

Editor's note: This is the sixth of a new Observer feature. The "Waking the Echoes" series intends to inform fans about some former players and will feature weekly stories profiling them and their lives since Notre Dame.

It was a late summer night in Philadelphia. The MLS All-Star team trotted out its best 11 players to take on European powerhouse Chelsea in a high-profile exhibition match.

One of those MLS starters was former Irish defender and current San Jose Earthquakes defender Justin Morrow. The 2010 Notre Dame graduate and his fellow MLS superstars defeated the defending UEFA Champions League winners 3-2 in dramatic fashion when forward Eddie Johnson scored in the 91st minute to break the stalemate.

For Morrow, a first-time All-Star who earned four monograms for the Irish between 2006 and 2009 before he was drafted in the second round of the 2010 MLS SuperDraft by the Earthquakes, it was a surreal experience to top some of the world's best players.

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Four years later, Hall stands out as only senior

By JACK HEFFERON

seniors on the roster (mid- starter last season as a jufielder and transfer student nior. Irish coach Randy



sports writer

Three years ago, Notre Dame's class of 2013 showed up on campus as freshmen: young, inexperienced and unsure of what to expect. That class has proven itself as winners and national champions during their first three seasons, and has continued to make an impact in their senior year. But only one player has made that entire journey from start to finish: Jazmin Hall.

Hall committed to Notre Dame from Marcus High School in Highland Village, Texas, and four years later she is the team's lone senior captain, and one of only two

Nicole Borner is the other). The pair was honored before Notre Dame's 5-1 win over Seton Hall on Friday, and Sunday's 2-2 draw was their last scheduled game at Alumni Stadium.

For Hall, those four years have passed by in the blink of an eye.

"I can't believe I'm already a senior," she said. "It's sad, especially because this was my last guaranteed home game, but I think we'll be able to go out and play some more here."

Hall has been a mainstay on the Irish back line for her entire career, and took the step from substitute to

Waldrum asked her to take another step to the forefront of this team this season, and Hall has embraced her role as captain this year.

"I've just been trying to play hard, and talk a lot more, and get people communicating on the field," she said. "I'm really just trying to help out wherever I can. I think if I just play hard then hopefully everyone can feed of that."

The beginning of the season challenged Hall though, as she was injured and forced to the sidelines with injury. Instead of fading into the backgrounh, Hall remained

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Senior defender Jazmin Hall carries the ball in a game against Pittsburgh on Sept. 21. Hall had an assist in the 2-1 Irish win.