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## **Alumni serve in Washington**

Two graduates elected to Congress, join three others in nation's capital

#### **By JOHN CAMERON** News Editor

With five alumni gaining or holding seats in Congress following last week's election, the University's ties to national politics are more prominent than ever.

Rep. Joe Donnelly's election to the U.S. Senate, Keith Rothfus's win for a seat in the House of Representatives mittees [Donnelly] is going and the re-elections of Peter Visclosky, Peter King and Michael Kelly to the House offer strong avenues for advocating the University's interests on Capitol Hill said John Sturm, associate vice president for Federal and Washington Relations.

Sturm, a 1969 Notre Dame graduate, was appointed to

the newly-formed position on June 1. He's been tasked with communicating the University's views to federal officials, including the aforementioned alumni.

He said the degree to which the University works with alumni in Washington depends on the committees they sit on.

"We don't know what comto serve on," he said. "That has some effect on what he does and how he might interface with the University."

Regardless of where Donnelly ends up, Sturm is excited for the opportunity to collaborate with the 1977 alumnus.

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ND Alumni Joe Donnelly '77 Serving in Congress Keith Rothfus '94\* Peter Visclosky '73 Peter King '68\* Michael Kelly '80 House of Representatives \*graduated from Law Schoo SARA SHOEMAKE | The Obs

# Hackett highlights growth

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**By TORI ROECK** News Writer

In preparation for meetings of the Advisory Board of the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Ken Hackett, former president of Catholic Relief Services, and Ray Offenheiser, president of Oxfam America and 1971 Notre Dame graduate, presented suggestions for how Notre Dame can better contribute to human development worldwide.

Hackett said Notre Dame's

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### Motivational speaker lectures at Key Bank event

#### **By ANNA BOARINI** News Writer

As a motivational speaker, writer and artist Joni Arredia tries to find the best in everyone.

"I reflect goodness," she said. "I love finding the best in people, I am a creative that always follows through. I use this gift that God has given me to make the world a better place. That's what I do." Arredia spoke at Saint

Mary's on Thursday night for a Key Bank event.

"I'm talking about lifestyle balance, " she said. "Key Bank puts this event on for women business owners that are their clients."

With all the different ventures she is involved in, Arredia said she understands the importance of lifestyle

balance. "All the things that I do ...

Joni Arredia motivational speaker

they feel that I balance life very well," she said. "As an

entrepreneur and creative businesswoman how do you keep your connection to yourself, your family and your business ... [with] space in your life to balance."

Motivational speaking was not Arredia's first career choice. In 1982, she bought a jazzercise franchise.

"I was teaching about 500 students a week," she said. "I really found that people were

coming in and wanting to lose weight and get fit but what I found more than anything they were looking for a place that made them feel good." While teaching jazzercise, Arredia also became interested in the nutritional end of fitness. She studied with the 'Fit or Fat' method under Cover Bailey and became a

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# Politican discusses Ireland's global economy



### **By DAN BROMBACH**

News Writer

Those who picture Ireland

detailed Ireland's success- country, improving not only ful integration into today's the lives of citizens but the highly interconnected global health of the economy. economy.

"During those early 70s years, when you said to people, particularly people who didn't speak English, that you were from Ireland, they would say 'boom boom,' and they didn't mean an economic boom," Hanafin said. "They meant fighting and bombs and killing."

Irish politician and legislator Mary Hanafin discusses her country's integration into today's global economy Thursday evening.

in terms of sheep and rolling green landscapes may be shocked to learn the nation is far more than just a leader in agricultural exports: it is a business hub drawing major financial, technology and pharmaceutical corporations from around the globe. In her lecture Thursday titled, "An Irish Perspective: Doing Business in a Global Economy," Irish politician and legislator Mary Hanafin

Hanafin attributed Ireland's increased global economic integration in large part to the recent decline in sectarian violence and conflict between the Northern and Southern regions of the country. She said Ireland's transformation into a "nation at peace," a nation emphasizing friendship and cooperation rather than strife, has helped redefine negative perceptions of the

Hanafin said taking a stroll through Dublin, the capital city, will reveal to any visitor

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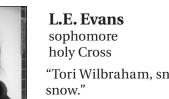
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"Tori Wilbraham, snow and more







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Riley Hall of Art and Design hosted its fall open house Thursday evening. The open house featured creative works by undergraduate students in the Department of Art.

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Saturday

"Towshends and the Global Crisis of 1763" 424 Flanner Hall 3 p.m. Lecture on reforming Ireland and America.

Friday

Notre Dame Glee Club Concert DeBartolo Performing Arts Center 8 p.m.-9 p.m. Tickets \$5-\$10

### "What's So Funny About a Joke?" Snite Museum of Art 12 p.m.-1 p.m. Discussion of Freud's theory of jokes.

**Roller Skates and** Sonic LaFortune Student Center 10 p.m.-11:30 p.m. Indoor skating.

# Men's Soccer

Alumni Stadium 2 p.m.-4 p.m. NCAA Championship second round. ND vs. MSU

Purcell Pavilion at the

Women's Basketball **Fundraiser Night** Between the Buns All day. 15% of sales go ND vs. Massachusetts towards Dance Marathon.

Monday

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"Mary and the

Season of Advent" Geddes Hall 5 p.m.-6 p.m. Presentation by Rev. Brian Daley.

### Tuesday

Women's Basketball

Purcell Pavilion at the Joyce Center 7 p.m.-9 p.m. ND vs. Mercer

Film: "His Girl Friday" DeBartolo Performing Arts Center 8 p.m.-9:35 p.m. Free with student ID.

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One Notre Dame student goes to Cambridge and one Cam-

bridge student comes to Notre Dame for a semester.

Program is aimed exclusively for Ph.D students who

have begun a thesis in Italian.

Each has an advisor who assists in research and maintains a

link once they return to their respective university.

### Students study, research abroad in Cambridge

**By CHARITHA ISANAKA** News Writer

students Graduate in the Italian program in the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures have the opportunity to work with leading academics at the University of Cambridge.

Zygmunt Baranski, Emeritus Serena Professor of Italian at the University of Cambridge, joined the Notre Dame College of Arts and Letters faculty in 2011 as its first Notre Dame Professor of Dante and Italian studies.

"The Italian sections are relatively small and this partnership with Cambridge ensures that students have contact with a broader range of professors, libraries and resources," Baranski said.

Every year, one Notre Dame student goes to Cambridge and one Cambridge student comes to Notre Dame for a semester. This program is aimed exclusively for PhD students who are already writing a thesis in Italian. They will have an advisor who will help them with their research and they will maintain a link once they have gone back to their host institution, Baranski said.

Damiano Benvegnu, a current Ph.D. candidate in the interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Literature Program at the University of Notre Dame. He was the first Notre Dame graduate student to participate in the exchange. His dissertation research, "Primo Levi and the Question of the Animal," investigates the animal imagery in the work of the Jewish-Italian writer Primo Levi, focusing on how his literature operates when the human/animal divide is at stake. He will defend his dissertation in May 2013.

"In this research I compare what has been considered the hyper-humanistic literary production of Primo Levi with the post-humanistic trend in contemporary philosophy," Benvegnu said. "This comparison helps us to rethink not simply Levi's literature and his Holocaust testimony, but also both the ethical and epistemological complexity of the human/animal divide(s) and the crisis of traditional humanism in the second half of the twentieth century."

College.

Benvegnu spent the 2011 Michaelmas Term (September to December) at Cambridge and was part of Trinity Hall

"I had the opportunity to work at the fantastic University Library there and to have almost weekly meetings with Professor Robert Gordon, head of Department of Italian at the University of Cambridge, and one of most prominent scholars in modern Italian literature," Benvegu said. "The opportunity to work with him not only was incredibly enjoyable and stimulating, but helped me to better frame my own research and ideas." Beatrice Priest, a Cambridge

student, came to Notre Dame last year.

"I learned a great deal from the graduate research seminars, made extensive use of the libraries, including the special Dante collections, and had many stimulating discussions with professors, post-docs, and other graduate students about Dante, the Middle Ages, and beyond," Priest said. "Additionally, the opportunity to teach American undergraduates Italian language was tremendously rewarding. I would thoroughly recommend the

SARA SHOEMAKE | The Observer

exchange program to anyone thinking of participating in it."

Baranski stressed the importance of international partnerships.

"I believe that in academia there is a need to have international ties," he said. "Since there is a limited number of faculty, we need to teach students the importance of collaboration so that there remains a healthy and proper exchange of ideas."

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### Club sells treats for a charitable cause

### **By JILLIAN BARWICK** Saint Mary's Editor

This past week, Saint Mary's students, faculty and staff had the opportunity to support She's the First\*{Saint Mary's}, a new club on campus which is part of the national nonprofit organization, She's the First.

Junior Mileva Brunson, founder of the Saint Mary's chapter, was excited to share the present and upcoming goals for the club on campus.

"We creatively fundraise throughout the year to sponsor girls' education in developing countries. This week, we held our first fundraiser, 'Tie Dye Cupcakes

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For a Cause,'" Brunson said. "All proceeds from the bake sale will go towards our goal of \$360, which would sponsor a year of school for a girl in Uganda."

The cupcake fundraiser was initially started by Lindsay Brown, the president of She's the First\*{Notre Dame}, where it became such a success that the organization made it the national campaign.

"The goal for this year nationally is to raise \$50,000 for girls education, and there has been amazing success all across the country," Brunson said. "We have been posting a lot on social media. We post daily on our Facebook and Twitter, and a lot of girls who purchase a cupcake are Instagraming them. It's been great to see students posting in support of She's the First across many different social networking sites." Brunson said she is thankful student reception of She's the First has been great, as well as faculty support for the chapter at Saint Marv's. "We have had such wonderful support from both students and faculty. It's great to have people come up to the table to buy a cupcake, and then want to learn more about our mission and

our goal for the fundraiser," Brunson said.

While some students have

"We are so lucky to be receiving an outstanding education here at Saint Mary's and to give that opportunity of education to other girls around the world is so inspiring and I hope it has *inspired the Saint* Mary's community if we reach our fundraising goal, we could get to know the girl we have sponsored in Uganda and begin to build a relationship with her and see how she is doing in school, which would be so rewarding."

As far as the cupcakes go, Brunson knows students will take away more than just a sweet treat after visiting the club's table outside the dining hall.

"I hope that students realize how much of an impact they can have, just by buying a cupcake; because what begins with a cupcake ends with a girl in school," Brunson said. "It is so inspiring to know that our actions this week are life-changing."

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### as well."

Mileva Brunson junior

founder of She's the First

joined Brunson with She's the First\*{Saint Mary's}, she is hoping that more will help raise awareness as the year progresses.

"I would love to see this grow into a powerful force on campus, working to make a difference in girls' education worldwide," Brunson said. "We are hoping to partner with the She's the First chapter at Notre Dame and work to hold a fundraiser together. Also,

Brunson wants others to remember each cupcake the club sells adds up to opportunity for a girl in the developing world and helps her to achieve her dreams.

"We are so lucky to be receiving an outstanding education here at Saint Mary's," Brunson said, "and to give that opportunity of education to other girls around the world is so inspiring and I hope it has inspired the Saint Mary's community as well."

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"Not only is he a Notre Dame alum, but he comes from South Bend. He lives locally and his wife works at the University," he said.

"King has been pretty prominent when major things happen around the world or domestically ... We're waiting to see what happens with him."

John Sturm associate vice president for Federal and Washington Relations

"That's about as good a relationship as one can expect, and frankly, Joe Donnelly is a very easy person to be around."

Sturm said future committee placement is clearer for Rep. Visclosky, a 1973 graduate of the Law School returning for his 15th term in the House.

"He's been on the Appropriations Committee for ages. I think he's likely to

become the ranking member of the [defense] subcommittee ... that's a pretty big deal," Sturm said. "Congressman Visclosky has been a terrific friend of Notre Dame. He recently visited campus and we were able to show him a few facilities where his help has brought fruit for Notre Dame."

Given the limits on committee chair tenures, Rep. King's committee assignment is unclear following his re-election, Sturm said.

"Pete King has been chairman of the Homeland Security Committee in the House ... We don't know yet, but we should know fairly soon whether he's going to move to another committee as chairman or if he's going to get a waiver to continue on homeland security."

While the University has little at stake within the area of homeland security, King's high profile has done much for the Notre Dame brand in Washington, Sturm said.

"King has been pretty prominent when major things happen around the world or domestically," Sturm said. "He's been on radio, television and newspapers a lot ... We're waiting to see what happens with him."

As for the remaining alumni in Congress, Sturm said the formal interactions with the University have been minimal so far.

"Mike Kelly, I think he's been on foreign affairs. We haven't had much to do with Congressman Kelly as of yet. Committee assignments mean a lot," he said. "Keith Rothfus [hasn't had] any committee assignments yet. We're not really sure where he wants to go."

Regardless of whether their area of policy focus is directly relevant to the University, Sturm said each elected alumnus benefits Notre Dame.

"The more the merrier. When members are Notre Dame alums ... for example, they can have an effect — especially if they're the chairman or ranking member on a committee — on witnesses brought into a hearing," he said. "To have witnesses in front of Congress to provide information for policy makers, they get quoted in the press or appear on TV, all that contributes to the overall image and success of the University."

Sturm said the alumni voted into office last week aren't the only ones on Capitol Hill building the Notre Dame

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alumni presence.

"There's also a strong, great group of Notre Dame alumni, parents and friends who make their living

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John Sturm associate vice president for Federal and Washington Relations

around the federal government - lawyers, lobbyists, trade association folks, journalists, defense contractors – who interact one way or another with the federal government or whose businesses depend on the federal government," he said. "For them to be successful and prominent is another way the University's image goes north, and they're a resource for Notre Dame."

While their relationship with the University doesn't affect the voting or policy stances of Notre Dame alumni in office, Sturm said the affiliation allows for smoother communications.

"It just is a lot easier. You have faster and easier access and there's familiarity with the alums. I make it my business to get around and see them," he said. "That extends to the Indiana delegation as well."

Regardless of where officials were educated, Sturm said the University's reputation carries weight in Washington.

"Representing the University of Notre Dame, I don't think there are too many people who haven't heard of us. It's a great brand. Other than some of the Ivies ... we're in that league, generally speaking," he said. "Partly because of our Catholic significance and because of our reputation as a great undergraduate school that produces people who are not only successful, but seem to be successful by doing things the right way."

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### Oxfam

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Catholic faith should ground its international development efforts, especially in light of the Vatican's emphasis on "New

"Bring the whole University behind something and stick to it. Small projects don't make an impact, and this University has the capability to have a major impact on human development."

Ken Hackett former president Catholic Relief Services

Evangelization."

"[New Evangelization is]

about a new energy towards the revival of faith in the context of today's culture," Hackett said.

At a Vatican synod concerning the topic, representatives from the Church around the world presented the issues most threatening to Catholic faith in their areas, such as secularization in North America and Europe and radical Islam and tribal conflicts in Africa, Hackett said.

"As Notre Dame strives to evolve an international strategy that embodies the principles of Catholic Social Teaching and that creates linkages with the Church and other institutions, I would suggest that Notre Dame ... has to take into consideration many of these views and realities that the Church has identified as part of the New Evangelization," he said.

To do so, Hackett said the Kellogg Institute should devote resources to researching nontraditional approaches to human development as well as to

shaping public policy.

In addition, the University as a whole should shift focus from many small, disparate programs in scattered regions of the world to a few big projects focused on particular regions.

"Bring the whole University behind something and stick to it," Hackett said. "Small projects don't make an impact, and this University has the capability to have a major impact on human development"

Hackett said a good example of this strategy is the Notre Dame Haiti Program, which draws on different strengths within Notre Dame to make an impact on a small geographic area.

Offenheiser, stressed the complicated nature of human development and said it requires a complex response that reflects its nature, especially in today's world.

"In many ways, to simply define what human development is in today's context, I would say

perhaps it's about states providing basic public goods to their

> *"Good development"* actually occurs when people own the process, think about, plan and own the process, taking risks as they do it, failing sometimes, but ultimately when they succeed, you get development on a secure course going forward."

Ray Offenheiser Oxfam America president

citizens at scale, in education, health and perhaps environmental services," he said.

For Notre Dame to best address the many facets of human development, Offenheiser said the University must pick out its strengths and use them to effect change.

He identified some of these strengths as the University's Catholic faith, strong background in human rights and work with corporate responsibility.

The University should also tailor its development efforts to empowering governments themselves and enabling communities to thrive on their own, he said.

"Good development actually occurs when people own the process, think about, plan and own the process, taking risks as they do it, failing sometimes, but ultimately when they succeed, you get development on a secure course going forward," Offenheiser said.

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### Arredia

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speaker for the program.

Then, one day, Arredia decided to speak for herself.

"One day I thought I'll just get on that stage and ... speak about what I believe in," she said. "It worked, it worked to the point that I got everyone crying, like 300 people."

Arredia realized while she wanted to impact people with her words, but she needed a tutor to hone her speaking and motivating skills.

"Words are very, very

powerful and you have to be very responsible [with them]," she said. "I took

### "Words are very, very powerful and you have to be very responsible [with them]."

Joni Arredia motivational speaker

about another year before started speaking to motivate people [again]." Once she

began motivational speaking, Arredia said she realized she wanted to be able to offer people something to take home to continue their journey. It was then she decided to become an author. Arredia has since written a newspaper column on the East Coast and has published two books.

Along with motivational speaking and writing, Arredia is also a painter and a recent playwright.

"I moved to Chicago seven years ago and started to study [acting] ferociously for two years," she said.

Arredia said she got

interested in theatre because of her involvement in high school and she wanted to work in a team again.

Her play, 'Resurfacing', debuted in Chicago in 2011.

Even with all she has accomplished in her life, Arredia said her work with Hut Outreach, a Toledo, Ohio-based organization in Haiti has been the "coolest thing in my life, other than my family."

"I went to Haiti in January, and when I came home worked furiously on pieces [of artwork] and staged a show in my home," she

said. "In one night we raised \$20,000 dollars and went back a month later ... to work on some exciting outreach programs."

Through her career, Arredia said she has been able to understand people more and realize how to motivate them.

"I just love it. It is so much fun," she said. "It is such a blast to watch light bulbs go off and peoples eyes sparkly. I thank God every day for this gift."

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### Ireland

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the nation's leading role in international business. She said Dublin has become a major center for the communications industry, attracting corporate giants such as Microsoft, Amazon and Google.

Hanafin said Ireland's educational system has played a large part in attracting foreign business and investment by fostering a highly creative, technically skilled young worker population.

seeking high rates of return on their investments, Hanafin said. She said evidence of this can been seen in the large sums of money invested in Ireland internationally.

"The USA invests more dollars in Ireland than it does in Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa combined, and we're only a little country of 4.5 million people," Hanafin said. "But we're also a country that takes our business, and our business with the world, very seriously." Hanafin said Irish companies continue to think globally, providing everything from airport biometric screening in Japan to a communications system that currently directs roughly 50 percent of mobile phone traffic in the United States. Hanafin was most struck by the extent of this global

economic integration upon visiting a children's school in the United Arab Emirates. She said watching students use Irish software to learn the Quran was "globalization at its best."

Looking forward, Hanafin said Ireland will continue to foster cooperative economic ties with nations around the world, sharing its distinct culture and heritage while learning to appreciate the cultures of other peoples.

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"It is the quality and the availability of skilled people that make Ireland attractive and special," Hanafin said.

Ireland's membership in the European Union, as well its low corporate tax rate of 12.5 percent, also boosts its appeal among corporations

only own our culture, but the culture of the countries with who we do business," Hanafin said. "It's about appreciating the importance of dialogue, and friendship, and peace as a small, neutral nation in a very troubled world."

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### Visting fellow delivers 'Last Lecture'

#### **By KATIE McCARTY** News Writer

Dr. Andrew Bacevich, a visiting fellow from Boston University, gave his "Last Lecture" Thursday as a series of talks hosted by the Notre Dame Student Government. Their talks highlight a different visiting professor every week. The professor is asked to give his "Last Lecture" where he or she discusses his or her ideas on life and lessons learned throughout it.

Bacevich, a professor of International Relations, teaches a seminar course called "Ideas and American Foreign Policy" to students in history, peace studies and political science at Notre Dame. He is a visiting fellow through the Kroc Institute

for International Peace Studies.

Bacevich's lecture focused on three main themes: vocation, history, and rootedness. He discussed regrets about mistakes he has made in his life in relation to these themes.

"This is an invitation to reflect on one's life," Bacevich said, "And it tends to unearth a sense of regret. There are things I would do differently if given the chance to do it all over again."

Bacevich said what he had learned about life's vocation in the context of his own upbringing.

Raised as a Catholic and sent to Catholic schools until college, he said he heard often of three paths of life.

"The nuns taught us that there are three vocations — religious life, marriage or the single life," Bacevich said. "What they did not teach is a broader under-

> "Regret is not the theme of my existence. ... I have had many blessings, including being here at the University of Notre Dame."

Andrew Bacevich visiting fellow Boston University

standing of vocation - primarily the question 'What am I called to do in my life?'" Bacevich urged all stu-

dents to address this question earnestly before they leave Notre Dame. "The key to life is to do work that you find fulfilling and satisfying. What the world thinks about that work does not matter," Bacevich said. "Deciding on your calling is your business and no one else's."

Bacevich then discussed his second theme, history. He urged all students, regardless of whether or not they are a history major, to use their time at Notre Dame "to think about the past and illuminate the present."

Another point he made about history had to do with dealing with the past.

"The best thing we can do as human beings with history is cope with it," Bacevich said.

Bacevich said he moved from place to place, never staying rooted, and said only

when he began working at Boston University as a professor did he finally establish roots. "

"Being a part of a community is what makes us human," Bacevich said. "I really wish I had discovered that earlier."

Bacevish left the students with a final piece of advice.

"I encourage you to go have an adventure or tw2, but when you are finished, go back home, wherever it is, and put down some roots. It's important to belong someplace," he said.

"Regret is not the theme of my existence. ... I have had many blessings, including being here at the University of Notre Dame."

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### Chinese leaders select Xi Jinping as nation's chief

### **Associated Press**

BEIJING — Long-anointed successor Xi Jinping assumes the leadership of China at a time when the ruling Communist Party is confronting slower economic growth, a public clamor to end corruption and demands for change that threaten its hold on power.

The country's political elite named Xi to the top party post on Thursday, and unexpectedly put him in charge of the military too, after a weeklong party congress and months of divisive bargaining.

The appointments give him broad authority, but not the luxury of time. After decades of juggernaut growth, China sits on the cusp of global preeminence as the second largest economy and newest power, but it also has urgent domestic troubles that could frustrate its rise.

Problems that have long festered — from the sputtering economy to friction with the U.S. and territorial spats with Japan and other neighbors - have worsened in recent months as the leadership focused on the power transfer. Impatience has grown among entrepreneurs, others in the new middle class and migrant workers — all wired by social media and conditioned by two decades of rising living standards to expect better government, if not democracy. All along, police have continued to harass and jail a lengthening list of political foes, dissidents, civil rights lawyers and labor activists. Two young Tibetans died Thursday after setting themselves ablaze in far west China, Radio Free Asia said, in the latest of dozens of suicide protests over Beijing's handling of its Tibetan regions.

In his first address to the nation, Xi, a 59-year-old son of a revolutionary hero, acknowledged the lengthy agenda for what should be the first of two five-year terms in office. He promised to deliver better social services while making sure China stands tall in the world and the party continues to rule.

"Our responsibility now is to rally and lead the entire party and the people of all ethnic groups in China in taking over the historic baton and in making continued efforts to achieve the great renewal of the Chinese nation," a confident Xi said in nationally televised remarks in the Great Hall of the People.

He later said "we are not complacent, and we will never rest on our laurels" in confronting challenges — corruption chief among them.

By his side stood the six other newly appointed members of the Politburo Standing Committee: Li Keqiang, the presumptive premier and chief economic official; Vice Premier Zhang Dejiang; Shanghai party secretary Yu Zhengsheng; propaganda chief Liu Yunshan; Tianjin party secretary Zhang Gaoli; and Vice Premier Wang Qishan, once the leadership's top troubleshooter who will head the party's internal watchdog panel. Xi gave no hint of new thinking to address the problems. The lack of specifics and the new leadership heavy with conservative technocrats deflated expectations for change in some quarters.

rule, he said. "They are not interested in introducing China's Gorbachev" - the Soviet leader whose reforms hastened the end of the Soviet Union — Yang said.

Many of the challenges Xi confronts are legacies of his predecessor, Hu Jintao. In addition to relinquishing his role as party chief, having reached the two-term maximum, Hu

also stepped down from the party commission that oversees the military. The move is a break from the past in which exiting party leaders kept hold of the military portfolio for several years.

During Hu's 10 years in office, policies to open up China to trade and foreign investment begun by his predecessors gathered momentum, turning

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China into a manufacturing powerhouse and drawing tens of millions of rural migrants into cities. Easy credit fueled a building boom, the Beijing Olympics and the world's longest high-speed rail network. At the same time, Hu relied on an ever-larger security apparatus to suppress protests, even as demonstrations continued to rise.

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"We should be expecting more of the same, not some fundamental break from the past," said Dali Yang of the University of Chicago.

Fundamental for the leadership is to maintain the party's

### Software founder on the run from Belize police

### **Associated Press**

SAN PEDRO, Belize — Software company founder John McAfee said Wednesday he is in hiding, unarmed and accompanied only by a young woman, changing locations and telephones frequently to stay one step ahead of a Belize police unit he says wants to kill him.

Belize police have said they want to question McAfee, who they describe as a "person of interest" in the slaying of fellow American Gregory Viant Faull. Faull, 52, was shot to death over the weekend on the Caribbean island where both men lived.

Prime Minister Dean Barrow said McAfee was only wanted for questioning and should report to authorities.

Barrow also expressed doubts about McAfee's mental state: "I don't want to be unkind to the gentleman, but

I believe he is extremely paranoid, even bonkers."

McAfee, 67, who had a runin with police earlier this year, told The Associated Press in a telephone interview from an undisclosed location that he didn't kill Faull, though he acknowledged he had differences with the dead man.

"I barely knew him, I barely spoke ten words to him in the last three years," McAfee said, speaking on a cellphone. "Certainly he was not my favorite person and I was not his."

"He was a heavy drinker and an annoyance. But the world is full of annoyances; if we killed all of our annoyances, there would be nobody left," McAfee said.

Other expat residents of the island of Ambergris Cave, where San Pedro is located, have described Faull, the owner of a construction business in Orlando, Florida, as

peaceful and well-liked.

The dispute apparently involved several dogs that McAfee kept at his beachside villa and that drew complaints from neighbors. McAfee said that four of his dogs were poisoned late last week, but that he didn't initially suspect Faull of having killed them, though he knew Faull didn't like the dogs.

"He did threaten to shoot them once or twice," McAfee said of Faull, adding that his neighbor was "always angry at them."

But he said he now believes government agents or police poisoned the dogs.

"My assumption was it was some kind of government action again. This is more harassment - that was the first thing that went through my mind, and still is going through my mind. What else could it have been?" he said. Faull was found with a

Software company founder John McAfee speaks Nov. 8 at an official presentation of equipment ceremony.

gunshot wound to his head inside his two-story home north of San Pedro. The housekeeper discovered the body Sunday morning and called police. Martinez,

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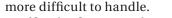
spokesman for Belize's Ministry of National Security, said no charges had been filed in the case, but urged McAfee to turn himself in, accompanied by someone else, if he felt safer that way.

Recession hits Eurozone for first time in three years

### **Associated Press**

LONDON — The 17-country eurozone has fallen back into recession for the first time in three years as the fallout from the region's financial crisis was felt from Amsterdam to Athens.

And with surveys pointing to increasingly depressed conditions across the 17-member group at a time of austerity and high unemployment, the recession is forecast to deepen, and make the debt crisis - which has been calmer of late — even



Official figures Thursday showed that the eurozone contracted by 0.1 percent in the July to September period from the quarter before as economies including Germany and the Netherlands suffer from



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### falling demand.

The decline reported by Eurostat, the EU's statistics office, was in line with market expectations and follows on from the 0.2 percent fall recorded in the second quarter. As a result, the eurozone is technically in recession, commonly defined as two straight quarters of falling output.

The eurozone economy shrank at annual rate of 0.2 percent during the July-September quarter, according to calculations by Capital Economics.

"The eurozone economy will continue its decline in Q4 and probably well into 2013 too — a good backdrop for another debt crisis," said Michael Taylor, an economist at Lombard Street Research.

Because of the eurozone's grueling three-year debt crisis, the region has been the major focus of concern for the world economy. The eurozone economy is worth around €.5 trillion, or \$12.1 trillion, which puts it on a par with the U.S.. The region, with its 332 million people, is the U.S.'s largest export customer, and any fall-off in demand will hit order books. While the U.S has managed to bounce back from its own recession in 2008-09, albeit inconsistently, and China continues to post strong growth, Europe's economies have been on a downward spiral — and there is little sign of any improvement in the near-term. Last week, the European Union's executive arm forecast the eurozone's economy would shrink 0.4 percent this year. Then only a meager 0.1 percent growth in 2013.

returning to recession since the financial crisis following the collapse of U.S. investment bank Lehman Brothers, mainly thanks to the strength of its largest single economy, Germany.

But even that country is now struggling as exports drain in light of the economic problems afflicting large chunks of the eurozone.

Germany's economy grew 0.2 percent in the third quarter, down from a 0.3 percent increase in the previous quarter. Over the past year, Germany's annual growth rate has more than halved to 0.9 percent from 1.9 percent.

Germany's Chancellor, Angela Merkel, tried to strike a positive note when she spoke to reporters in Berlin Thursday.

"I think we all are working on getting back on our feet again rapidly," she said.

"We see that economic growth is slowing, that overall we have a small drop in the eurozone but I'm also very optimistic that if we do our political homework ... we will again have growth after this small decline." Perhaps the most dramatic decline among the eurozone's members was seen in the Netherlands, which has imposed strict austerity measures. Its economy shrank 1.1 percent on the previous quarter. Five eurozone countries are in recession — Greece, Spain, Italy, Portugal and Cyprus. Those five are also at the center of Europe's debt crisis and are imposing austerity measures, such as cuts to wages and pensions and increases to taxes, in an attempt to stay afloat.

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## "BMW" sequel



Bridget Feeny Associate St. Mary's Editor

Unless you've been living under a rock, you're aware Disney is in the process of producing a "Boy Meets World" sequel called "Girl Meets World." The series would focus on Cory and Topanga (still happily married) and their daughter, Riley. Cory has assumed a role exactly like that of George Feeny as he teaches seventh grade history.

If you're like me, you rejoiced when you first heard of the news. My younger self was thrilled as I immediately thought back to the days of John Adams High and Eric's Feeny call. The show defined childhood for many of us. However, once you get past the initial excitement, you might have realized just how poor of a decision it is to give it a sequel. Don't get mewrong—Ilove "BMW." Arguably, it is one of the greatest television shows our generation will ever know. From Cory and Shawn's unshakable friendship to Mr. Feeny's sage advice to Cory and Topanga's iconic love story, that show is one of my favorites. The series finale in Feeny's classroom still makes me cry. It serves as a reminder that before the days of Snooki, Kim Kardashian or the real Housewives of Orange County, television could actually contain some substance. "BMW" is entertaining yet also educational; comical yet also moving. It showed me the importance of responsibility and loyalty and also the love and forgiveness of the people in your life. The show even tackled issues darker than anxiety about college or long-distance relationships when the characters confronted issues of under-age drinking, domestic violence and sex.

How many shows did you watch as a kid and if you watched them now, you would enjoy just as much as you did back then? Not many. That's because "BMW" is a classic. And that is exactly why it needs to be left alone.

Classics are praised because they are oneof-a-kind. They're on a whole other level. You just don't touch classics. I will admit certain remakes and sequels of movies and television shows can be successful, even enjoyable. But I just don't think this sequel can be done right. Despite my love and adoration of all things Disney, I realize the Disney channel today is not the same as it was in the 90's. Even though Michael Jacobs, the creator and executive producer of "BMW," is rumored to be on board for this sequel and is supposedly spear-heading the new series, I am still weary. While some of the original cast is probably back for this show. I doubt it will ever amount to the same level of entertainment and timelessness that is "BMW." Admittedly, if and when the sequel airs, I will watch it. I will try to give it a fair chance, and I admit there is a small possibility the sequel will actually be worthwhile. I almost hope I am wrong, and that this new series turns out to be a genius move on the parts of Disney and Jacobs. But for now, I will remember "BMW" for what it is: a treasured part of childhood.

# A Notre Dame Thanksgiving

THE OBSERVER EDITORIAL

Thanksgiving is just around the corner, bringing with it the requisite Thursday night feasts and the subsequent food-induced naps.

For students scrambling to keep up with hectic end-ofsemester schedules, Thanksgiving break provides a welcome respite from the constant hustle and bustle of life at Notre Dame: a time to sleep, eat and catch up on missed episodes of favorite TV shows.

But Thanksgiving holds significance beyond its consistent ability to induce food comas and remedy our perpetual sleep deprivation. The very word "thanksgiving" encourages us to actively express gratitude for the blessings we've been granted, but the importance of that action is often overshadowed by Grandma's delicious pumpkin pie. Though Americans have a tendency to commercialize holidays, Thanksgiving actually retains its traditional focus on uniting friends and family through a shared meal and quality time together. Whether you catch a plane home Tuesday night or stay on campus during break, chances are you won't be celebrating Thanksgiving without some semblance of family surrounding you.

That essential emphasis on family is important enough to warrant days off work and school to allow people to spend time with their relatives and be grateful for their presence in each other's lives. And beyond our individual family trees, we as Notre Dame students have another family to be grateful for this Thanksgiving. Despite its frequent, often clichéd overuse in Domer-to-Domer conversations, the tight-knit "Notre Dame family" has a real, tangible influence on nearly every aspect of our lives whether we recognize it or not.

We can thank the academics of the family, our professors, for challenging us to think outside the box, to work to our full potential, to expand our learning beyond the classroom and into the local, national and global communities.

We can thank our peers for living with us, for studying with us, for having fun with us, for supporting us through the ups and downs of the four-year rollercoaster ride that is college.

We can thank our rectors and campus religious figures for providing spiritual guidance and moral support whenever we need it most. We can thank the people like the maintenance and cleaning staff that make the daily operations of this campus possible.

We can thank various branches of the University for giving us countless opportunities to become global citizens and expand our experience beyond the Notre Dame bubble through study and service abroad.

We can thank this year's football team for uniting the student body and the worldwide Irish fan base behind an undefeated team with hopes of restoring the University to the gridiron glory of lore.

Through these and other avenues, the multifaceted influence of the biggest of Irish families encourages us to prioritize people and relationships over grades and individual glory. Thanks to our Notre Dame education and experience, we are a community of highly motivated, extremely successful individuals who also happen to approach all that we do with a compassionate spirit unique to past, current and future residents of this hallowed campus.

And like any family, we have our flaws. We argue. We don't get along perfectly all the time. But for all our whining about parietals and papers, we know deep down why putting up with those challenges for eight fleeting semesters sets us apart from the crowd.

Manti Te'o, perhaps the most visible member of the Notre Dame community right now, summed it up best in a recent interview with fellow Domer Kate Sullivan.

"Notre Dame isn't a school, it's a family."

When we leave this University, whether a semester or three years from now, we will leave as lifelong Domers, knowing any member of the extended Notre Dame family will support us through thick and thin.

So when you're digging into your third slice of pumpkin pie next Thursday, take time to be thankful for all the family members who couldn't fit at your table, but would give anything to be there with you anyway.

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### **QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"If more of us valued food and cheer and song above hoarded gold, it would be a merrier world." WEEKLY POLL

What's your favorite part of Thanksgiving?

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## Lackluster election for campus

#### Molly Howell Directionally Challenged

With the 2012 presidential election wrapped up and President Obama in office for another four years, I found the campaign more dramatic and my first-time voting for president more anticlimactic than I ever imagined.

I have to admit I did not follow politics at all until I turned 18. I was completely unaware of policies and candidates alike. However, when I turned 18 I realized I needed to pay attention because my vote now counted, and though one vote may not seem to make a difference, as was seen in this race, it can. One vote often does have a significant amount of power, and it is crucial that voters are informed. And so for the past year I have been following both parties' candidates, reading and watching the news, trying to make sense of the biased mess that many networks broadcast. At first, I fell for President Obama's charisma and for Mitt Romney's experience. I was politically inept and had a hard time looking past the public persona of the candidates. Then someone told me that I didn't necessarily have to like my president, but I did have to trust

him. Those words changed the game for me and gave me a new perspective while following the campaign. And, I have to be honest, I was pretty disgusted by the presidential campaign. Collectively, the 2012 presidential election cost roughly \$4 billion. That is an obscene amount of money spent in a country whose debt clock is set on fast forward. Is that kind of money really what it takes to run for office? It's discouraging to think so and it limits who is able to run for office in this country, this country that we like to think of as the land of opportunity. Also, for the presidential election, each campaign turned into a race to make the other candidate look as bad as possible to the American people. As someone who dislikes conflict, it was nearly physically painful for me to watch the debates. The passive aggressive and sometimes outright boorish behavior displayed by the presidential and vice presidential candidates was uncomfortable, unprofessional, and unlikable.

Though the campaign wore on me, I still held onto some hope for Election Day and my excitement to vote. Voting, though a citizen's right, is also a privilege that not everyone in our country has always had. However, even this monumental milestone was ruined for me as, like most college students, I had to vote absentee. Absentee voting is the most unexciting form of voting that exists. It's a pain, deterring the busy, or lazy, college student from making it to the polls at all. Nonetheless, I fullheartedly believe that it's incredibly important to vote, and I hope students from battleground states such as Ohio and Florida did vote.

While some cities and states across the country were in full campaign and election mode, there was little to no visibility of Election Day's near arrival on campus. If someone visited campus who knew nothing of American politics or the upcoming presidential election, the Notre Dame campus would do nothing to inform them. Even on Election Day, there was barely any mention of this landmark national event. This lack of discussion and attention cannot just be due to the fact that no one was wearing the "I Voted" sticker on November 6th; rather, politics just don't seem to be on most Notre Dame students' agendas. And this is not only true of most students, but also, in my experience, sometimes the case with faculty and staff on campus. I was surprised that there was such little discussion in the classroom

surrounding both the campaign and election. Overall, I found Notre Dame's lack of attention shocking due to the fact that this election was the majority of the student body's first time voting in a presidential race.

The 2012 presidential election was a huge national event for the majority of the United States. The campaign and outcome have huge consequences for our country and it is vital to give it some attention. It is exactly because this election was so costly and ugly that we cannot afford to tune out and ignore it. Few current Notre Dame students will be on campus for the next presidential election, but I hope that wherever they are they pay attention and invoke discussion because young adults have a duty to be to aware, to engage, and to participate because, sooner rather than later, who is in office will be directly affecting us.

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### **Campaign finance**

#### Brian Kaneb Guest Columnist

Campaign finance reform has long been a controversial issue, but its impact on elections has become increasingly clear in recent years. Supporters of the two major presidential candidates were set to spend at least 76 percent more in 2012 than in 2008. Whereas it was once an impressive feat for the campaigns to get their hands on \$1 billion just four years ago, FEC reports indicate they are bound to break the \$2 billion barrier this time around.

President Obama even used his 2010 State of the Union address to scold the Supreme Court Justices for their role in Citizens United. All this points to the need for the government to reign in what is commonly called 'outside spending,' and more specifically 'Super PACs.' The Citizens United decision allowed these groups to use unlimited funds to push for political causes, provided they do not coordinate with the actual candidates in the race. Of course campaign finance reform is a politically charged subject, so some may be suspicious

of the motives behind my conclusion. Republicans, for example, probably find it nearly instinctive to oppose more stringent campaign finance regulations. This makes sense considering conservative Super PACs outspent liberal Super PACs by an impressive \$269 million during the past two elections cycles. While this may appear to give Republicans an advantage on the surface, in reality they would benefit from outside spending losing much of its influence over elections. The Republican Party took the country by storm during the 2010 midterm election, but it learned that a hands-off approach to campaign finance cannot guarantee victory. The influx of outside spending was unable to either gain them a majority in the Senate or win them the presidency.

Though there are countless reasons behind the Party's failure this past week, the lack of cohesiveness amongst conservatives certainly did not help. Conservative Super PACs deserve much of the blame for this. Their omnipresent role in the election — it was tough to turn on the TV without seeing negative ads this past month — only served to associate them with Mitt Romney and the other Republicans in the eyes of the average voter. It is thus no surprise when Karl Rove, whose group American Crossroads raised more than \$100 million for Republicans in 2012, comes across as the unofficial spokesman of the Party. This is not necessarily an issue — Rove has won elections before — but it does become a problem when others want similar roles.

After all, what happens when dozens of powerful individuals form SuperPACs? They make use of different strategies because each one believes his/ her approach will be remembered by history for winning the elections. This left voters confused about the direction of the Republican Party when they went to the polls, and certainly played a roll in GOP's loss.

Republicans were uncharacteristically decentralized this past election cycle, and should realize that even outside spending has a tipping point.

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# **'PARADISE' ALMOST THERE**

### By SAM STRYKER Assistant Managing Editor

Being a female pop star today entails more than just singing. In fact, on the list of requirements to make it big on the music scene, the ability to sing ranks pretty low on necessary traits. Higher on the list includes cultivating a certain persona or act, collaborating with the hottest producers and maintaining a certain degree of fame (or infamy).

This formula of sorts has been followed to a "t" by American songstress Lana Del Rey, whose latest EP, "Paradise," was released Nov. 13. "Paradise" continues the development of Del Rey as both a singer and an artist following the release of her debut studio album "Born to Die" in January. Featuring just eight songs, "Paradise" fits in with Del Rey's act while also being more tightly produced and efficient than "Born to Die".

Del Rey's music is based not so much in her talent (which she does have) as it is in her persona. Born Lizzy Grant, Del Rey took several stage names before settling on her current title. The singer describes her image best as a "self-styled gangsta Nancy Sinatra" or "Lolita lost in the hood". Either are bizarre descriptions, but they are fitting: Del Rey takes cinematic music that harkens back to the 1960s and gives it a modern twist. It's high-concept stuff and it sounds better in theory than it does on an album.

Del Rey has crafted a persona to live up to, and her progression as a singer-songwriter is as much about crafting better music as it is crafting music that better fits into and pushes her role. With such a challenging character to portray, it's only natural to think it is going to take time for Del Rey to get "better" at playing it. And in "Paradise," she does.

The first track, "Ride," might be Del Rey's best song ever. It is sweeping and grandiose and has a remarkable way of being multi-faceted, a departure from many of Del Rey's glum one-dimensional songs. Additionally, "Ride" isn't bogged down by some of ultra-melancholy themes that can be repetitive in Del Rey's work. Instead, the track, produced by Rick Rubin, is catchy without being generic, extravagant without being pretentious. Be sure to check the song's mini-film (It's hard to call it a music video when it's longer than 10 minutes.) It's trashy, kitschy and American in the best (and worst) way possible, but also highlights one of Del Rey's weaknesses: Sometimes, it seems like she is trying too hard and is being controversial for controversy's sake.

This notion of trying too hard serves as a perfect segue to the second single off the album, "Cola.". Shockingly enough, the song is not about the drink but how Del Rey claims her boyfriend describes a certain one of her body parts. The song itself is catchy and fluid, but when combined with her playing a prostitute in the "Ride" music video and describing her act as Lolita-like, it sometimes



seems like Del Rey is being a lightning rod of controversy so people will listen to her music out of shock or curiosity, rather than because of her talent.

It's a bit of a shame, because listening to "Paradise," it is readily apparent Del Rey has the vocals that so many female singers are lacking. Normally, pop stars use an "image" or "act" to cover up vocal deficiencies, but in Del Rey's case, her persona can tend to mask or hide her true talent. Listening to "Paradise," it is readily apparent that her voice caresses and plays with the lyrics in a beautiful, gentle way, especially on "American" and "Body Electric". Del Rey has also done a good job of singing about more diverse themes than her typical "sadcore" sound. Her signature melancholy sound achieves new dimensions in the spritely "Blue Velvet" and the aforementioned "Ride" and thus her music is a more enjoyable listen.

Overall, "Paradise" is a solid effort from Del Rey and a nice collection of songs — a step in the right direction, if you will. Del Rey's next move as an artist is to discover a balance between "Lana Del Rey" and her music. It couldn't hurt to further develop the themes and emotions behind her music. The talent is there, now she just needs to highlight it better.

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### "Paradise"

Lana Del Rey

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# CAMPUS MUSICIAN: MICHAEL THOMPSON

#### By MEGHAN THOMASSEN Scene Writer

If you attend Mass in Knott Hall on Sunday nights, you might be able to catch junior music major Michael Thompson playing bass for the dorm's choir. He's a tenor in the Glee Club, bassist for the Pasquerilla Music Company and Notre Dame's Symphony Orchestra and plans to attend graduate school for music theory. He said it all started with a song he heard by Led Zeppelin in high school.

#### chords."

Dominant chords are built on the fifth scale degree of the diatonic scale.

### "When I came to Notre Dame,

variations found in composers like Chopin.

"I was looking at Chopin's use of [altered dominant chords], and I got the idea from looking at some jazz stuff with Darrel," he said.

"It's a longer process than I was able to cover. I'm planning on building a timeline of the fully altered dominant chord. The fully altered dominant chord has four alterations to it. Hopefully next summer I can look at some later music to see how the other alterations piled in."

"I heard 'Black Dog' by Led Zeppelin," he said. "And after hearing that, I thought, 'I want to do that.""

Thompson has played ever since.

"I practiced a lot," he said. "When I came to Notre Dame, I was originally planning on doing economics, but I was also planning on the music track as well. But by the end of that year, I just liked my music homework so much more than my economics work so I just stuck with that instead. I don't regret it at all. I enjoy being a music major."

He studies with Prof. Darrel Tidaback, Notre Dame's bass professor.

"Darrel Tidaback is a jazz guy. He is probably one of the only solidly jazz guys here," he said. "I worked with him last summer doing some research with him at the University of Chicago on altered dominant SARA SHOEMAKE | The Observer I was originally planning on doing economics, but I was also planning on the music track as well. But by the end of that year, I just liked my music homework so much more than my economics work so I just stuck with that instead. I don't regret it at all."

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"A dominant chord is the chord that pulls back to the tonic chord. To alter a dominant chord, you take the fifth and raise it slightly by a half-step," he said. "It makes it a bit more tense."

Thompson said he wanted to know more about the altered dominant chords he heard in jazz and earlier

Between Glee Club and the orchestra, Thompson studies Schenkerian analysis.

"It's is a way to analyze different tonal compositions. It's kind of necessary to know if you want to go to grad school for music," he said.

Thompson said he is considering the University of Chicago for music theory.

"I'd like to continue my quest to find the origins of the altered dominant chord," he said. "But I'm going to try looking into schools who have Glee Clubs. I get a joy from playing [and] listening that I just can't get from really any other study or thing to do. I just really enjoy music. I can't really give a better answer than that," he said. "It puts a smile on my face."

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#### Jes Christian Scene Writer

We all have those days. We sit with our laptops open in front of us and our books sprawled out aimlessly across our desks. We write the headings for our seven-page papers and then reward ourselves with hour-long Facebook, Twitter and Instagram perusing extravaganzas. Some refer to this phenomenon as the nightmare of procrastination: an unavoidable disease that infects many a college student, many a day or night, inhibiting them from reaching their full potential of academic productivity. I, on the other hand, like to refer to this sort of behavior as normal and necessary. Here at Notre Dame, as well as at other top-level colleges and universities worldwide, students know what it means to work hard. We stay up late and wake up early. Most of us participate in a series of extracurricular activities, where we act as leaders, learners, pioneers and problem solvers. No matter how unlikely it may seem, at the end of the day, the seven-page paper, the extensive lab report, the business presentation, the acting monologue, and the musical composition are all miraculously done. This, my friends, is the art of the being a college student. Like coffee and Taco Bell, Starbucks and Au Bon Pain, methods of procrastination are just ways to keep us up and working.

So why have I written this long paragraph about the necessity of procrastination when this is a fashion column and you're most likely interested in fashion? Well because if you're anything like me, then you're tired of always resorting to the common social media websites to temporarily free you from your studies. You're looking for something new and exciting that will spark your attention and will keep you up and wanting more. You're looking for websites that are fun, fashionable and procrastinatorfriendly, and you've come to the right place. I've scoured the web to find some of the most fun and interesting fashion sites in all the land.

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Do you ever find yourself wondering where the heck celebrities get certain pieces in their wardrobes? I wonder the same thing, and for many years I would either keep an eye out for similar pieces when I hit the mall, or I would simply call it a lost cause. This all changed, however, when I stumbled upon a little website called stealherstyle.net. The website takes stylish photos of A-list celebrities and breaks down each element from their looks, detailing both the price of each item and the store from which each item originated. Feeling a little more edgy? The site also profiles different celeb hairstyles and tattoos, so if you're interested in changing up you're look or simply looking – then check it out for some of the best secrets for celebrity style.

### LOOKBOOK.NU

If you're interested in fashion, photography, business, or blogging, then lookbook.nu is the website for you. LB is, in layman's terms, one huge fashion photo blogging database. Like any other social media website, on LB users can create an account and connect with other individuals worldwide. The site attracts people from all walks of the fashion world and encourages them to take photos of interesting looks that they find or create. As a result, they develop an online collection of their own looks to share with the rest of the world. So what's the catch? Well, LB prides itself on exposing the world to high-quality imagery from the most passionate fashion-goers. Therefore, if you're interested in taking photos for your own account, then your photos can only be taken with a high-quality camera. Additionally, the site only allows for one photo upload every few hours. The rules seem a little annoying upon first consideration, but the result is a crazy cool website with some of the edgiest looks from all over the world. Plus, because of the website's high quality, top brand names like American Apparel, H&M, and Dr. Marten's have teamed up with LB to allow bloggers to come up with styles for the brands clothes. Not interested in taking photos? That's cool! Creating an account is easy, uploading photos is optional, and you gain the ability to "hype" your favorite looks, "fan" your favorite lookbookers. You can then refer back to your choices whenever you need some fashion inspiration! iPhone, iPod and iPad app available.

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#### By MADDIE DALY Scene Writer

As their first Fall Concert of the year approaches, members of Notre Dame's Glee Club stay calm, cool and collected, as usual. Through all their intense rehearsals and spontaneous performances around campus, these guys never lose their smiles and excitement.

Brian Scully, this year's Glee Club treasurer, described the club's hectic schedule.

"Glee Club is entering one of its busiest seasons right now," Scully said. "Our fall concert this Friday is only one in a long list of events for us. In the last week alone we've also sung for the residents of Holy Cross Village, at a wedding in the Basilica, at Baraka Bouts, and had a master class with the King's Singers, a world-renowned men's chorus."

In addition, Christmas is right around the corner, meaning nonstop Christmas caroling around campus for the Glee Club.

Although this sounds like a strenuous schedule, club president John Kemnetz stressed the positivity of the club.

"Usually the intensity level goes way up in our rehearsals leading up to a concert," Kemnetz said. "Focus is important and oftentimes our rehearsals will run longer, but we don't mind. We love to sing for crowds at Notre Dame and have fun doing so — we're less about stress and anxiety and more about having a good time and making sure our audience does the same."

Even when not preparing for a specific concert, the Glee Club has a demanding rehearsal schedule, but according to Scully they love this time spent together.

"Glee Club has rehearsal Monday through Thursday for about an hour and 15 minutes," Scully said. "We also have some added open rehearsals on the Fridays of game weekends. Glee club definitely keeps you busy, but it's time spent doing something you love with one of the tightest and most caring social groups on campus. It's hard to beat that."

This Friday's fall concert is structured around various genres of music and features songs from the club's new album.

"Our concerts are usually separated into two halves — what we like to call the 'serious half', during which we perform more classical, liturgical, and modern choral music, and the 'fun half', during which we get to sing some more light stuff including African American spirituals, folk songs, and barbershop numbers," Kemnetz said. "One unique feature of this concert is that many of the pieces we will perform are a part of our newest album, *Rocky Road to Dublin*, released in August. Music themes range from the horrors of war to Marian devotion to drunken revelry, so there's really something for all of us to relate to."

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The views in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. As Friday draws closer and closer, Glee Club sophomore Joey Copp expresses nothing but positivity and excitement.

"I expect a really good show, we've all put in a lot of hard work, especially [our director] Dan [Stowe], and I expect a great audience," Copp said. "We've sold out the main house and we think it'll be a real treat for everyone who can make it."

Kemnetz keeps up the same enthusiasm, urging students to come even if just to see what the hype is all about.

"We're Notre Dame's oldest and most well known choir, but more than that we present music that is accessible and fun to listen to," Kemnetz said. "If you're a Notre Dame student who has never been to a choral concert at Notre Dame, then this is the concert you won't want to miss."

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#### **SPORTS AUTHORITY**

## Marlins fans betrayed by trade



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It was April 4, the opening day of the Major League Baseball season, and the stadium was full. That is usually a normal occurrence.

Associate Sports Editor

But this? This was in Miami, where LeBron James' welcome party garnered more attention than both Florida Marlins World Series runs. This was where attendance was always putrid whether or not the team was good.

Miami had just made a run at superstar Albert Pujols and acquired Jose Reyes, Mark Buehrle, Heath Bell and Ozzie Guillen. So it was April 4, Miami was playing St. Louis and Marlins Park was jammed with people, hope and big salaries.

But that now seems much further away than the seven months it is.

With midseason we-giveup trades and postseason giveaways that would make the South Bend Silverhawks jealous, the Marlins have signaled loud and clear that the party is over.

They traded away star third basemen Hanley Ramirez during the season. The Pirates acquired hometown boy Gaby Sanchez. Omar Infante and Anibal Sanchez won an American League title with the Tigers.

Most recently, Miami agreed to trade Reyes, perennial ace Josh Johnson, lefty Mark Beuhrle, utility man Emilio Bonifacio and underachieving catcher John Buck to Toronto for nothing - now, at least. The prospects involved in the deal are supposed to be great in the future but for Marlins fans, they've heard the same thing too much before.

After the Marlins won the title in 1997, the entire team was gutted. After the Marlins won again in 2003, they let

fans want the best product on the field and not on the bottom line.

His spending spree last offseason carried multiple backloaded contracts so that his trading spree this offseason wouldn't hurt as much — or wouldn't have as many suck costs, really. His money binge in the winter also generated buzz and interest around the league and the nation. Let's put those expenses under marketing and not as salaries.

His cheap spending and his slimy deals have left a bad taste in all Marlins fans' mouths. They are stuck footing the bill for a new, expensive, shiny stadium while a minor league team languishes inside. The 2013 Marlins that Loria and the rest of his front office have built simply do not deserve to play in a beautiful, publicly-funded park.

It's like drinking Natty Light from a champagne flute or like putting unleaded gas inside a Bentley. Something doesn't add up.

The Marlins are the same franchise they always were, but now they're a different team. If you need further proof, check the box score from that opening day.

Reyes, Bonifacio, Ramirez, Sanchez, Infante, Buck and Johnson all started that day on a team managed by Guillen. Gone, gone, gone, gone, gone, gone, gone and gone. The only remaining Opening Day starters are Giancarlo Stanton and Logan Morrison.

This trade has irritated the Marlins fan base and will make it nearly impossible to win the Miami market back. And that's precisely why Bud Selig is deciding whether to approve this deal.

Even if Selig denies the trade, the message has been sent loud and clear — the real Marlins are back. The Marlins put on a mask last winter that they shed as easily as they did all their talent.

# Selig reviews blockbuster deal between Marlins, Jays



MLB commissioner Bud Selig talks to reporters after a meeting with owners Thursday in Chicago. Selig is examining the 12-player trade between the Marlins and Jays.

#### **Associated Press**

MLB

ROSEMONT, Ill. — Bud Selig was on hand when the Miami Marlins played their first regular-season game in their swanky new ballpark in April. The commissioner provided a glowing review of the \$634 million project and boldly declared that opposition to the facility would fade away within five years.

So far, it's not looking so good for that last prediction.

Selig said Thursday he is examining the pending blockbuster trade that sends at least three of Miami's best players to Toronto for a package of prospects just seven months after the Marlins moved into their new home, which was financed primarily with tax money.

Speaking at the conclusion of the owners' meetings, Selig said he also is aware of fan anger in South Florida but is going to do what's in the best interests of the sport.

"People have different views of that as to what you should do and how you should do it, but I think I've been able to come through all these situations and the sport's been stronger and better as a result," he said, pointing to his

recent experience with the Texas Rangers and Los Angeles Dodgers going through bankruptcy proceedings.

"So when I say I have this matter under review and I've talked to a lot of our people and I've spent a lot of time here in between all the other meetings — this is a tough place to do it that's exactly what I mean. It is under review. I am aware of the anger, I am. I'm also aware that in Toronto they're very happy."

The Blue Jays, who finished fourth in the loaded AL East last season, are bringing in All-Star shortstop Jose Reyes, left-hander Mark Buehrle and righthander Josh Johnson under the deal, which is contingent on physicals for the players. Selig also said there is money going from Miami to Toronto, but did not offer any details and said the trade hadn't been officially presented to his office yet.

Reyes and Buehrle signed lucrative free-agent contracts with the Marlins last offseason, and Johnson has been Miami's best pitcher when healthy.

The Marlins get infielders Yunel Escobar and Adeiny Hechavarria, right-hander Henderson Alvarez and several top prospects, a nice haul but certainly not enough to satisfy

a fan base that went through similar rebuilding after the franchise won the World Series in 1997 and 2003.

"I've talked to two baseball people — I have a lot of people that I check with and talk to - who have, actually, an interesting view on the trade." Selig said at an airport hotel just outside of Chicago. "They think that (Miami), in terms of young players, did very well. These are two independent baseball people. These are not chefs in these kitchens here.

"So I want to think about all of it and I want to review everything. I want to be my usual painstaking, cautious, slow, conservative self in analyzing it. ... There's a lot of variables here."

Paul Beeston, the president and CEO of the Blue Jays, rushed by a group of reporters as he left the owners' meetings. Marlins owner Jeffrey Loria was seen in the lobby at the hotel but did not make himself available to media.

Loria went on a spending spree last offseason, also signing free-agent closer Heath Bell. The Marlins thought they would contend for the NL East title and draw 3 million fans in the first year of their ballpark.

Ivan "Pudge" Rodriguez walk away following just one season in the teal and black.

Now, what was supposed to be the start of something new and exciting now sounds old and familiarly painful. All the stars that wore the orange and black a year ago are now somewhere in another galaxy, lighting up someone else's world.

Jeffrey Loria has been the best businessman he can be. The rich art dealer set up a good business model years ago to lower costs and generate revenue in order to maximize profit. Sounds great, right?

Except that his model has

Now, they are just fish out of water with no team, no fans, no common sense and no dignity.

The Clevelander in left field will stop bumping. The home run atrocity in the center field will cease to move. The fans in right field will be gone. Not that the Marlins care anyways.

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### **Cabrera and Posey claim MVP honors**

### **Associated Press**

NEW YORK — Miguel Cabrera has a Most Valuable Player award to go with his Triple Crown. And Buster Posey has an MVP prize to put alongside his second World Series ring.

The pair of batting champions won baseball's top individual honors Thursday by large margins.

Cabrera, the first Triple Crown winner in 45 years, won the AL MVP by receiving 22 of 28 firstplace votes and 362 points from a panel of Baseball Writers' Association of America.

The Detroit third baseman easily beat Los Angeles Angels rookie center fielder Mike Trout, who had six firsts and 281 points.

Cabrera hit .330 with 44 homers and 139 RBIs to become the first Triple Crown winner since Boston's Carl Yastrzemski in 1967. Cabrera also led the league with a .606 slugging percentage for the AL champion Tigers.

Some of the more sabermetricfocused fans supported Trout, who hit .326 with 30 homers and 83 RBIs, and he led the majors with 129 runs and 49 steals and topped all players in WAR — Wins Above Replacement. Trout won AL Rookie of the Year earlier in the week.

"I was a little concerned. I thought the new thing about computer stuff, I thought Trout's going to win because they put his numbers over me," Cabrera said. "I was like relax. ... if he wins, it's going to be fair because he had a great season."

His victory is a win for the traditional statistics.

"At the end of the game, it's going to be the same baseball played back in the day," Cabrera said.

Posey, at a charity event at his mother's school in Leesburg, Va., followed the AL debate and Googled to find out the winner.

"I think it intrigued everybody," he said. "As a fan of the game, it was a fun race to watch."

With three fewer hits or two less homers, Cabrera would have fallen short of the Triple Crown. The last four Triple Crown winners have been voted MVP, including Mickey Mantle in 1956 and Frank Robinson in 1966.

"I think winning the Triple Crown had a lot to do with me winning this honor," he said.

Cabrera became the second straight Detroit player voted MVP, following pitcher Justin Verlander in 2011, and was the first Venezuelan to earn the honor. Countryman Pablo Sandoval took home World Series MVP honors last month.

Before the season, Cabrera switched from first base to third to make way for Prince Fielder, who signed with Detroit as a free agent.

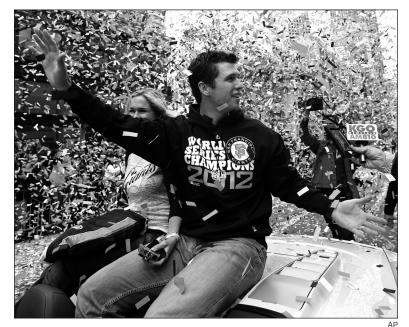
"I focused too much in spring training about defense, defense, defense," Cabrera said. "I forgot a little bit about hitting, about getting in the cage like I normally do."

In spring training, Posey's focus was just to get back on the field. His 2011 season was cut short by a collision with the Marlins' Scott Cousins on May 25 that resulted in a fractured bone in Posey's lower left leg and three torn ankle ligaments.

Posey not only returned, he became the first catcher in 70 years to win the NL batting title and helped San Francisco win its second World Series championship in three seasons.

"I definitely have a deeper appreciation for being able to play baseball," he said. "I've seen that it can be taken away quick."

The first catcher in four decades to win the NL award, Posey got 27 of 32 firsts and 422 points



Giants catcher Buster Posey celebrates at San Francisco's World Series parade on Oct. 31. On Tuesday, Posey was announced as the NL MVP.

to outdistance 2011 winner Ryan Braun of Milwaukee, who was second with 285 points.

Pittsburgh outfielder Andrew McCutchen (245) was third, followed by St. Louis catcher Yadier Molina (241).

Posey, a boyish-looking 25, was the 2010 NL Rookie of the Year as the Giants won their first World Series since 1954. This year he set career highs with a .336 average, 24 homers and 103 RBIs as San Francisco won again.

Posey took the NL batting title after teammate Melky Cabrera requested a rules change that disqualified him. Cabrera, who hit .346, missed the final 45 games of the regular-season while serving a suspension for a positive testosterone test and would have won the batting crown if the rule hadn't been changed.



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### Irish set to open playoffs against USF



Junior setter Sammie Brown gets ready to serve the ball during Notre Dame's 3-2 home win over Cincinatti on Nov. 9.

By LAURA COLETTI Sports Writer

Playoff season has arrived, as the Irish will face off against South Florida this weekend in the opening round of the Big East tournament.

No. 3 Notre Dame (20-7, 13-2 Big East) is looking to regain its winning ways over the No. 6 Bulls (16-13, 7-8 Big East) after having its 11-match win streak snapped by Marquette last weekend. This is Notre Dame's first 20-win season since 2009, and junior middle blocker and captain Andrea McHugh says that the team is still hungry for more. Notre Dame's loss to the Golden Eagles caused the Irish to tie with Marquette for second place in the Big East regular season standings, and that loss will serve as motivation to the squad as they begin tournament play. "Our loss to [Marquette] last weekend was disappointing but has pushed us to work harder and stay focused for this weekend," McHugh said.

The Irish and the Bulls will be traveling to neutral host Marquette this weekend. McHugh said that with a change in significance comes a change in player mentality.

"Now that we are into the tournament, we have to focus on one team at a time and can't look past anyone," she said. "Ultimately, this is what we have been working towards for the whole season, so we have to do our part and leave it all on the court in order to be successful."

Although tournament play is beginning, Irish coach Debbie Brown has continued to emphasize to the team that they should remember to have fun on the court.

"[Coach Brown has used] one word: grateful," McHugh said. "We are all so blessed to be able to represent Notre Dame in the game that we love playing, so remembering to enjoy the moment while being grateful is something that is huge for us as a team."

The Irish defeated the Bulls in a three-set sweep on Oct. 28th, and are looking for a similar outcome this time around. "USF has a very strong offense along with great pin hitters," McHugh said. "During practices this week, we have been emphasizing our serving and passing game along with having strong blocking moves so we can shut down their hitters." The winner of the matchup will go on to play the winner of No. 2 Marquette and No. 7 Pittsburgh on Sunday.

The match gets under way at 4:30 p.m. today in Milwaukee.

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# D'Antoni takes the reigns in LA

#### **Associated Press**

NBA

El Segundo, Calif. — Mike D'Antoni circled the court 2 feet at a time, moving smoothly on crutches while his Los Angeles Lakers went through drills orchestrated by his assistant coach and brother, Dan.

Although D'Antoni's surgically replaced knee is slowing him down a bit, he couldn't We have a window, and we're going to try to get through it."

Lakers general manager Mitch Kupchak welcomed D'Antoni after practice at a news conference packed with dozens of media members. Given his limited mobility, D'Antoni isn't likely to make his sideline debut until Sunday night against Houston, with interim coach Bernie Bickerstaff



wait any longer to get the pro Lakers rolling. aga

D'Antoni formally took over the Lakers on Thursday, four days after the slow-starting club hired him to replace Mike Brown. The former Knicks and Suns coach is still on crutches and pain medication after surgery earlier this month, but thinks he'll soon be back to normal while he attempts to transform the Lakers into his vision of an up-tempo, highscoring team.

"I'm really happy to be here — excited," D'Antoni said. "(We're) starting to put stuff in now. Might take a little bit, but ... we're built to win this year. This is not a five-year project. probably manning the bench again Friday night against Phoenix.

"This is a great city to have an up-tempo, exciting game that has a legitimate shot to win a championship," D'Antoni said. "I can't ask for anything more." D'Antoni's affable charm immediately worked on the Lakers, who praised their new coach's demeanor during their first few hours together. The coach acknowledged few qualms about taking over the star-studded roster that got off to a 1-4 start to the season, speaking instead of the limitless possibilities of the Lakers' talent within his creative style of coaching.



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**ND CROSS COUNTRY** 

### ND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING

### Irish travel to Kansas

#### **By VICKY JACOBSEN** Sports Writer

The Irish will compete in their first invitational of the season in Topeka, Kan., this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The Jayhawks will be hosting Nebraska, Iowa State, Nebraska-Omaha, and Rice in addition to No. 18 Notre Dame at the Kansas Women's Classic.

Although the team will be competing for three straight days, Irish coach Brian Barnes said that his swimmers will get more rest than they would expect from a busy weekend of duel meets.

"For the most part we're swimming a limited number of events, two-a-day per person, which is six total events, and then there's two open swim relays, too," Barnes said. "So we're meeting the entry requirement."

The Irish netted another individual accolade Tuesday when sophomore Emma Reaney was named the Big East Women's Swimming and Diving athlete of the week the fourth time she has been recognized for the award.

"Well we've had two Big East swimmers of the week the last two weeks, and both of them were well-deserved, Kim Holden two weeks ago and then Emma Reaney this

both performed at a level that is deserving of that recognition." But Barnes said he can't rely

on individual awards to assess how his team is progressing.

"[When an] individual's recognized, that's just good for the individual, it has no indication of the direc-

week," Barnes said. "They've said that the team is working on polishing all aspects of their events. But he also says that this is the time of year when teams begin to develop their character.

> "I would say the focus right now, in a bigger sense, is establishing our identity for the year," Barnes said. "Who are we? Every team's different,

### "I would say the focus right now, in a bigger sense, is establishing our identity for the year ... Who are we? *Every team's different, and this team is* not the same team we had last year."

Brian Barnes Irish coach

tion we're going team-wise," Barnes said. "It's not bad to have those performances on the team — it's always a good thing because they're part of the team — but [as far as] the direction that we're going on the team, you pick up on those things daily. The character of the team in the face of adversity or the character of the team when they're dealing with a hard practice or how they work with one another, how they support one another and who they are as teammates - that's a better indication of the direction we're going."

Going into the meet, Barnes

all, we've graduated people, and we've added people. And things change in a year's time. So we're starting to see some good things across the board on our team and our identity but we're not there yet, and that's the beauty of a season. Those things take time to develop, and that's what we're

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## working on." The three-day Kansas Natatorium in Topeka.

"There'll be 31 teams there, and they'll be the best 31 teams in the country," Irish women's coach Tim Connelly said. "Obviously there are some favorites like a [No. 1] Florida State and [No. 2] Oregon. I think our focus has to be on just going in and being as good as we can be. When you have 31 really good teams, you can't focus on one or two teams, you've got to put your focus on doing the things that

that qualifying for the meet is so challenging that he will be pleased if his runners match the performance that earned them their spot in the championship.

"We certainly hope that the

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Sophomore Jake Kildoo runs in the National Catholic Championship on Sept. 14. Notre Dame finished first in the field of 34 teams on its home course.

#### **By VICKY JACOBSEN** Sports Writer

A national title might be a long shot, but the Irish will be in the running at the NCAA championships in Louisville, Ky., this Saturday.

Men's coach Joe Piane said

Connelly said. "It'll kind of dictate that we get out hard and get up into the race. We pretty much ran that same race last weekend and tried to run that same race at the conference meet prior to that, so we'll try to do what we've been doing and maybe just do it a little bit better."

The men's team will be hampered by Achilles injuries to senior Jeremy Rae and graduate student Johnathan Shawel. Shawel will not be able to run on Saturday, and Rae, who has been one of Notre Dame's strongest runners all season, is questionable after he retired two kilometers into the 10-kilometer race at the Great Lakes Regionals meet last Friday.

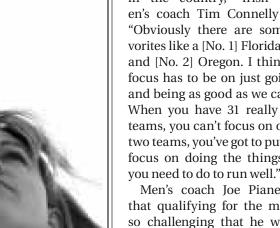
The women's team, however, stands to benefit from a season unmarred by injuries.

"The women are really healthy, and they can be as high as in the top 10 or 15 in the country," Piane said.

Connelly agreed that his team

Squads get ready

for NCAA meet







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men can continue to run as well as they did at the Region meet," Piane said. "There's 31 teams in the race out of 310 in the country, so just getting to the meet means you're in the top 10 percent of the whole country."

Piane said that the course will present much less of a challenge than the teams running it.

"It's fairly flat, but it's loaded with turns, and it's grass the whole way, so that's nice," Piane said.

But the twists and turns do mean that the Irish could find themselves boxed in if they don't get off to a good start.

"Part of the strategy is dictated by the course, and this course tends to get narrow very quickly,"

has that sort of potential - he just needs each runner to run their best race.

"Every kid has run well at some point in the season, but every kid's also walked away saying, 'I can do this better and this better," Connelly said. "This is [their] last shot. So I think the big key for a lot of our kids is going to be to just race well and race hard for 6,000 meters."

The race for the women's national championship starts at noon Saturday at E.P. "Tom" Sawyer State Park in Louisville, Ky., and the men's race will follow at 1:15 p.m.

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### **ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

## Notre Dame returns home to play UMass

#### **By JOSEPH MONARDO** Sports Writer

After capturing a 57-51 victory against Ohio State in the Carrier Classic, the No. 6/7 Irish will return to Purcell Pavilion to host their home opener against Massachusetts on Sunday.

The last time out Notre Dame (1-0) received strong performances from junior forward Natalie Achonwa and junior guard Kayla McBride to defeat the Buckeyes aboard the USS Yorktown. Now the young Irish squad has used a week of practice to improve, especially on the defensive end, Irish senior guard Skylar Diggins said.

"I think in this early stage we need to improve on everything," she said. "Everything is so new to us right now. I think that we bring a different skill set than last year's team. I think we are a fast team, and I think that could work to our advantage maybe in the press and things like that. We do a great job of scrambling, but right now we are trying to find a defense that is going to be our defense for the rest of the year."

The Minutewomen (1-1) enter the game coming off a loss to Central Connecticut in their first road contest of the season. Sophomore guard Emily Mital registered a career-high 22 points in the loss and senior center Jasmine Watson notched her 14th straight double-double with 16 points, 10 rebounds and five blocks. Watson, a native of South Bend and alumna of Washington High School, is a former high-school teammate of Diggins.

"I do know that they have a former teammate of mine, Jasmine Watson, and she had 22 points in [Massachusetts' seasonopening win over Kent State]," Diggins said. "I know that she is a good player for them underneath, a big [6-foot-3] post."

Last season UMass went 8-21 and won three of 11 games within the Atlantic-10 conference.

With more than a week between Notre Dame's opener and Sunday's upcoming contest, the Irish have had plenty of time to prepare for their opponent,

grow," she said. "So we have great seniors and great coaches that help us out so we are really not too confused on the court. We are just lucky to have great leadership on the floor."

Sunday's contest will mark the first of three games in a five-day stretch for the Irish, who have reached the national championship game in each of the past two seasons. After hosting the Minutewomen, Notre Dame will welcome in Mercer on Tuesday before heading to UCLA on Friday.

"[We need to] just go one game at a time, really," Loyd said. "You don't want to overlook any team and you got to just stay humbled, stay within our offense and our defense and just play how we know we can play. And that's how we stay focused."

As the Irish try to stay focused on Massachusetts in their homeopening outing, it is the senior leader who finds herself thinking ahead.

"This is going to be great for us and our fans," Diggins said. "Excited to get back and play. It's kind of bittersweet for me, it's like the beginning of the end. But I love playing in front of my hometown and seeing all these familiar faces. We have one of the most loyal fan bases in the country."

Notre Dame and Massachusetts will tip off at 2 p.m. in Purcell Pavilion on Sunday.

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Irish junior Kayla McBride drives to the basket during Notre Dame's 88-28 win over Edinboro on Nov. 1 in Purcell Pavilion.

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Diggins said.

"It's good for this young team to get those extra practice days in, so much time in between for teaching moments," the Wade Trophy watch-listed guard said. "I think that we are prepared. I think the coaching staff is going to do a good job of making sure that we know these teams inside and out and prepare a great scouting report for us to be ready."

One of the young players on this year's Irish team, freshman guard Jewell Loyd said Notre Dame has been working especially hard to improve its communication on the court.

"Knowing we are young, talking is really going to help us



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"It was a special night for [Tynan]," Jackson said. "He's had that monkey on his back for the past four games and it was nice to see him finally get it. Even though he only had that assist tonight he played a great game tonight."

With 5:38 left in the third period, Russo put the puck

DiPauli and took a slap shot from range. The puck was deflected by sophomore right-winger Peter Schneider for his third goal of the season. Summerhays finished with 24 saves, while Racine tallied 29.

Jackson said the Irish will focus on starting the game stronger and maintaining possession more for Friday's game.

"We have to come out

### "After, the go-ahead goal, we played a real smart game."

Jeff Jackson Irish coach

behind the net, where junior right winger Bryan Rust collected the puck, wrapped around the side and beat Racine to the left side for Rust's third goal of the season.

"After, the go-ahead goal, we played a real smart game," Jackson said. "We didn't overextend ourselves when [the Wolverines] were pushing players forward. They were trying to get in behind the defense, but we played smart and controlled. We only gave up three shots in the third period."

The Irish put the nail in the coffin with 1:38 remaining in the game when junior defenseman Stephen Johns received the puck from freshman winger Thomas

sharper in the first period," Jackson said. "And we need to do better with the puck. We were putting the puck in the wrong places and once [Michigan] got it, they transitioned well. Their opportunities came off of our turnovers tonight."

For Friday's game, Jackson said the Irish need to keep the same determination.

"We need to get the same effort out of our top players," Jackson said. "They were the real difference in the game tonight."

The Irish look to sweep the Wolverines at the Yost Arena in Ann Arbor, Mich., at 7:35 Friday.

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### **ND WOMEN'S SOCCER**

## **Irish face Demon Deacons** in NCAA tournament

### **By BRIAN HARTNETT** Sports Writer

Saturday's football game between Notre Dame and Wake Forest will not be the only matchup between the two schools with national implications this weekend. The Irish and No. 10 Demon Deacons will take to the pitch Friday, as the two teams will meet in the second round of the NCAA championship at Pressly Stadium in Gainesville, Fla.

Notre Dame (14-5-2, 8-1-1 Big East) advanced to the second round after a comefrom-behind 3-1 victory over Wisconsin-Milwaukee at Alumni Stadium on Nov. 9. The Irish fell behind in the 28th minute when the Panthers converted on a penalty kick but went into halftime tied after a goal by freshman defender Katie Naughton in the 44th minute. Notre Dame took the lead on a goal by sophomore forward Lauren Bohaboy seven minutes into the second half and iced the game when freshman forward Crystal Thomas scored in the 90th minute.

Irish coach Randy Waldrum said he wasn't thrilled with



Irish freshman defender Brittany Von Rueden battles for the ball during Notre Dame's 2-2 draw with Rutgers on Oct. 7 in Alumni Stadium.

opener but noted several positives from the match.

"I know I was disappointed after the game because I didn't think we played well compared to our standards," Waldrum said. "Having said that, we did some really good things, especially as a really young group that hadn't really played in a playoff game before. It's not easy come tournament time to come back when you're down a goal because teams can bunker in and make it difficult to score."

Waldrum said Notre Dame's biggest problem in its last game was its slow start, which came partly as the result of a switch to a new offensive alignment for the first half. Waldrum said he plans to stay with the old alignment against Wake Forest (14-5-2, 6-3-1 ACC).

"I wasn't happy with the way [the alignment] played against Milwaukee, so I think we'll just keep it in our back pocket," he said. "It's a little bit more defensive in the starting positions, and I wanted to have it in place in case we need it against Wake. I think we'll just go out and play our way, but, if we have to get more defensive, we've at least worked on it for the last couple of weeks."

his team's effort in its playoff ACC tournament but boast wins over several top-ranked conference opponents, including No. 3 Virginia, No. 13 North Carolina and No. 19 Duke.

> "They're a very talented and offensive-minded team," Waldrum said of Wake Forest. "The one thing I feel is that they will play a good brand of soccer."

Wake Forest features offensive weapons in junior forward Katie Stengel, a member of the United States U-20 World Cup team who leads the Deacons with nine goals, and junior forward Rachel Nuzzolese, who is second with five goals on the season. Junior goalie Audrey Bledsoe, who has trained with the Waldrum-coached United States U-23 National Team, has recorded nine shutouts on the season and boasts a 0.80 goals-against average.

Waldrum said one of the keys for Notre Dame is putting pressure on Wake Forest's defense.

"In looking at them, the strength of the team is in midfield and certainly up front, but they are a little vulnerable, especially defensively," he said. "I think the key for us will be if we can easily put the pressure on them, whether it's with goal-scoring chances or maintaining possession in the midfield. That's going to be really important because I think they can be taken out of their game plan if you put them under that kind of pressure." Notre Dame will look to advance to the third round of the NCAA championships when it faces Wake Forest at 4:30 p.m. on Friday at Pressly Stadium in Gainesville, Fla. The winner of the game will meet the winner of Friday's match between No. 8 Florida and Central Florida at 1 p.m. on Sunday at Pressly Stadium.



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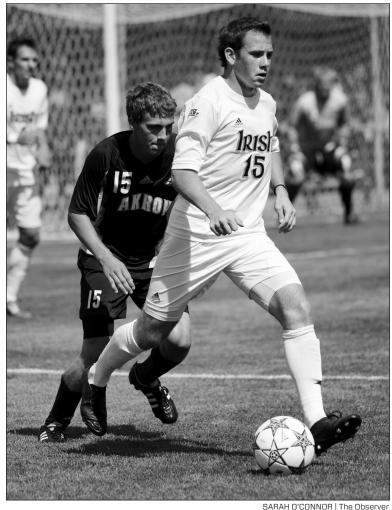
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Regardless of the team's offensive alignment, Waldrum said the Irish would need to play a sharp first half against the Deacons.

"I don't think we can come out slow like we did with Milwaukee," Waldrum said. "Wake's a very explosive team, and you can find yourself down really early if you come out with a slow start. If we can come out right from the beginning and be sharp, I think we have a real good chance." Wake Forest comes into the matchup after a 4-0 first round victory over Georgia Southern last weekend. The Deacons lost in the semifinals of the

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Irish junior forward Harrison Shipp looks upfield during Notre Dame's 3-1 win over Akron on Sept. 9 in Alumni Stadium.

### Clark

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behind us. If it's not then it becomes an obstacle for us."

Notre Dame returns from a first-round bye to welcome in a Michigan State squad that also has a conference title to its name. The Spartans (12-9-1, 3-3-0 Big Ten) won the Big Ten tournament before defeating Cleveland State 2-1 in the opening round of their NCAA tournament campaign. Notre Dame notched a 2-0 home victory against the Spartans in the regular season on Sept. 14.

"I think they will be a very good opponent," Irish asthe Irish, senior midfielder sistant coach B.J. Craig said. and captain Dillon Powers, "They are always a good game is a finalist for the Lowe's for us, number one. They are Senior CLASS Award and has 17 points on the year. playing with a little bit of a different shape than when we As the top seed, Notre played them before, but the Dame would have homelast time we played them we field advantage through the won the game late. I think it quarterfinal round, should will be similar this time. Boss the team advance that far. [Clark] always says, 'it's what In Alumni Stadium this year we do.' And I think that's key. the Irish are 8-0-0, a statistic If we play well and do it right that offers no guarantees for I think we'll be in a good spot Sunday, Clark said. when it comes down to the "The home field never wins stretch." you a game. The only thing Michigan State has rattled that wins you the game is off four straight victories and you," he said. "It's going to has won seven of its last nine come down to how we play. As I said to our team at the start contests. Since replacing redof the year, I said 'If we play shirt junior Bryce Dobbins in goal, Michigan State freshproperly we need to fear no man Zach Bennett has acone ... if we play badly - if we cumulated a 9-3 record and don't come out and play - we owns a goals-against average should fear everyone.' It's as simple as that." of 0.83. "They've won their [confer-Notre Dame will begin ence] tournament so they are its pursuit of the program's coming in really hot," Craig first national championship said. "They've got a real blue-Sunday at 2 p.m. The Irish collar mentality to them right will host Michigan State in now. They work very hard for second-round play in Alumni each other and maybe that Stadium. was the missing thing before. **Contact Joseph Monardo at** A big change is their goalkeeper, too, so we've got a jmonardo@nd.edu

different look there. It will be a fun game. Hopefully we'll get a great crowd out for it. I think that would be great for us if we could put on a good show for college soccer."

Notre Dame comes into the game averaging 2.40 goals per outing - sixth-best in the nation. Irish senior forward Ryan Finley leads the team with 20 goals and 44 points and ranks second nationally in goals scored. The Big East Offensive Player of the Year, Finley scored the overtime game-winner in the conference final to help Notre Dame capture the Big East crown. Another veteran leader for

### **Brey** CONTINUED FROM PAGE 20

As for his own guards, Brey said the Irish need strong performances from junior guards Eric Atkins and Jerian Grant if they are to win a title in Brooklyn. Through two games, Atkins and Grant are averaging eight and six points per game, respectively, and have combined for nine turnovers and 3-for-10 shooting from three-point range.

"We need them," Brey said. "I mean we need them to be really good for us to win any games in New York."

Should the Irish down Saint Joseph's, they will play the winner of Florida State vs. BYU on Saturday. Though Brey said the Irish are not looking past the Hawks, Notre Dame knows winning both games will be a tall order.

"It's hard for me to think Saint [Joseph's]," past Brey said. "I'd jinx myself. Whoever you play on that other side [will be difficult]. You've got Florida State, who beat the heck out of us two years ago [in the NCAA tournament] and can really defend. And you've got BYU, that is just amazingly consistent every year. They're a little bit like our program."

Regardless of the matchups, Brey said he is looking to see how his team responds to a primetime matchup against NCAA tournament-caliber opponents. Specifically, Brey



"I think what I have to keep

in mind [is] ... our group can

get better."

Irish sophomore Pat Connaughton dunks during Notre Dame's 84-57 win over Monmouth on Nov. 12 in Purcell Pavilion.

said he will be watching how newcomers such as senior center Garrick Sherman and freshman forward Cameron Biedscheid perform and improve during the first legitimate test of the year.

"I just think this is our first big challenge in a bigtime setting and how will this group react?" Brey said. "How will we react to it? Can we focus? Can we stay in character? I expect those five starters to do that because they've done it a bunch but we have got some other guys coming off the bench. What are they going to be like in this atmosphere?

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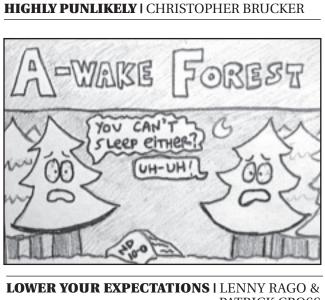
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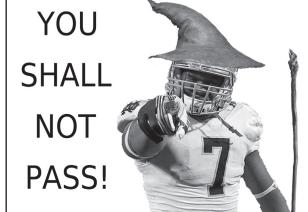
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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your knowledge and expertise will separate you from any competition you face. Discuss your plans and seek support from your community and those in a position to help you accomplish your goals. A proposal based on the facts you offer will pay off.  $\star\star$ 

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Open up emotionally and you will grab the attention of someone who can relate to your concerns. Make self-improvements. Short trips, shopping or getting together with a friend will brighten your day.

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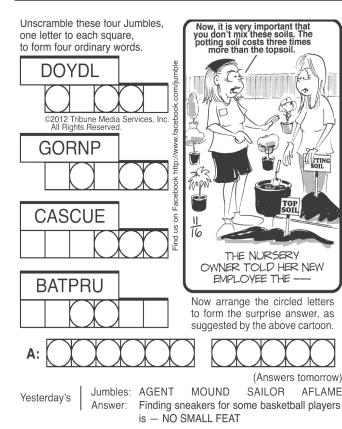
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### **MEN'S SOCCER**

## **Top-seeded Notre Dame** hosts Michigan State



Irish junior forward Leon Brown passes the ball during Notre Dame's 3-1 win over Akron on Sept. 9 in Alumni Stadium. The Irish received the No. 1 overall seed in the NCAA tournament.

### **Bv JOSEPH MONARDO** Sports Writer

The No. 3 Irish have achieved quantifiable success this season to a level that marks the 2012 season as one of the program's best. But all the year's achievements won't help the Irish on Sunday when they put their season on the line against Michigan State.

Having captured the Big East Championship title last

week, Notre Dame (16-3-1, 5-2-1 Big East) will open its national tournament schedule as the No. 1 overall seed. The conference championship — the third in Notre Dame's history — and the top national seed have already taken a back seat to what lies ahead, Irish coach Bobby Clark said.

"We put it in the cupboard," he said of the conference achievement. "And we will put the No. 1 seed in the

cupboard. The seed was a reward for what we did in the past, it's what we do today and what we do on Sunday that's important. That was a reward for past deeds, this is a completely different thing we're involved in. What you get if you do well in this tournament, you get a national championship. That's the reward you get for winning five games ... The No. 1 seed is all

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### **ND MEN'S BASKETBALL**

# Irish shoot for tournament title

### **BV MIKE MONACO** Sports Writer

Just two games into the season, the No. 20 Irish already have their sights set on a championship.

After a pair of victories in the opening round of the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic, Notre Dame (2-0) will head to Brooklyn, N.Y., to battle Saint Joseph's in the semifinals of the Classic at the brand-new Barclays Center.

Irish coach Mike Brey said there is value in winning a tournament title early in the season. Two seasons ago, Notre Dame defeated Georgia, California and Wisconsin and claimed the Old Spice Classic championship. That team went on to a 27-7 season and a No. 2 seed in the NCAA tournament.

"I made a comparison to the group that won [the Old Spice Classic] and what it meant to them to play for a championship and the confidence it gave them early in the season," Brey said. "And boy that confidence maintained all the way through.

"So I've drawn parallels there and this group has set some expectations for themselves, which I love. I started talking about that before this [Classic] got started, what a great opportunity to maybe cut a net down in Brooklyn."

In order to break out the scissors, Notre Dame will first have to get past the Hawks (1-0). Saint Joseph's, which returns every player from a team that went 20-14 and earned a bid to the NIT last season, commenced its new campaign with a 61-35 win against Yale on Monday.

"I'm very impressed with them," Brey said of the Hawks. 'When you have that many veterans back off a team that won together and are really pointing this year to going back to the NCAA tournament, this is a Big East high-level game for us against veteran guys."

Saint Joseph's junior guard Langston Galloway, a member of the preseason Atlantic-10 all-conference second team, poured in a game-high 20 points in the season-opener.

"He will be one of the better shooters we will play against all season and we play a heck of a schedule after Saint [Joseph's]," Brey said. "You know what's great about him? He doesn't force anything. He just lets the game come to him. He's got a great feel for the game and we have to have a team awareness of him or he will bury you."

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### HOCKEY | ND 3, MICHIGAN 1

### Team comes from behind to defeat Wolverines

#### **By ISAAC LORTON** Sports Writer

Wolverines were dead even at play." nine shots apiece in the first the Wolverines had hit two posts, Irish coach Jeff Jackson said.

Although the Irish and

get down and continued to

In the fifth minute of the The No. 8 Irish had to fight period, the Irish were lucky second period on a penalty back from a 1-0 deficit in order to not be down more because kill, junior center T.J. Tynan leapt into the air to stop a clearance from the Wolverine defensive zone, brought the puck down and took it across the blue line. Tynan then passed it to junior left winger Mike Voran at the left circle, who took a one-time shot past Wolverine freshman goaltender Mike Racine for the shorthanded goal and Voran's first goal of the season. Eleven of the Irish goals this year have come within the first five minutes of a period and nine of them have been within the first four minutes. With the assist, Tynan captured his 100th career point.



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to overcome No. 13 Michigan and earn the 3-1 victory on the road at a packed Yost Arena.

A comeback win is new for the Irish (7-3-0-0, 2-0-0 CCHA) as they were previously 0-3-0 in games when they did not score first.

The Wolverines (4-5-1, 2-3-1-1) scored in the fifth minute of the first period when Irish sophomore defenseman Robbie Russo gave up the puck in the defensive zone to Wolverine freshman forward Justin Selman. Selman took a quick wrist shot, putting it over Irish junior goaltender Steven Summerhays' shoulder for his first career goal.

"We were fortunate to get out of the first period only down one," Jackson said.

Heading into the first intermission, the Irish faced the challenge of catching up to Michigan's explosive offense, but they would not be held scoreless.

"We stayed the course," Iackson said. "[The Wolverines] came out with a lot of energy. They had just come off a big loss against Michigan State and they looked like they had something to prove. We kept our cool and composure, didn't

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Irish junior center Anders Lee handles the puck during Notre Dame's 3-1 loss to Boston College on Nov. 9 in Chestnut Hill, Mass.