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SUB announces concert headliners

Cher Lloyd, special guest Jesse McCartney to perform in organization's annual spring concert

By MATTHEW McKENNA News Writer

This Saturday, the Student Union Board (SUB) is hosting its yearly spring concert, a performance that will feature Cher Lloyd and Jesse McCartney in Stepan Center.

Senior Brianna Leon, codirector of programming for SUB, said the spring concert is the largest concert the organization puts on each year, so there are more resources and opportunities to bring in bigger name acts.

"Since Stepan accommodates a much larger crowd than the venues for any other

shows held throughout the year, [the concert is] a unique opportunity to gather a large portion of the student body together for one event, celebrating the end of another year," Leon said.

Leon said the doors of Stepan Center will open at 8:30 p.m., and the show will start at 9 p.m.

Junior Shadmn Minir, concerts programmer for SUB, said he is very excited to bring Lloyd to campus to perform for the student body.

"From being on the X-Factor with One Direction

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Stepan Center

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The Shirt enters 27th year

By ANDREA VALE News Writer

The design for The Shirt 2015 will be released at 6:57 p.m. Sunday during an unveiling ceremony at the Hammes Bookstore. This will be the 27th Shirt overall and the 26th year of The Shirt Project, which raises proceeds to fund various Notre Dame causes and groups.

Junior Abbey Dankoff, this year's President of The Shirt Project, said The Shirt started in 1990, "just as a student-run fundraiser for AnTostal to raise money." While that first Shirt served

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Notre Dame cheerleaders lead the crowd in chants during last year's unveiling ceremony for the 25th anniversary of The Shirt.

Notre Dame Day returns to campus

By EMILY McCONVILLE Associate News Editor

Starting Sunday, the University will hold its second annual Notre Dame Day, a 29hour fundraising campaign that includes a live broadcast, a tug-of-war tournament, a social media lounge, the unveiling of The Shirt and the distribution of \$1 million to more than 780 Notre Dameaffiliated organizations.

The campaign will begin at 6:42 p.m. Sunday and end at

midnight April 27. For the entire day, there will be a broadcast streaming on the Notre Dame Day website, featuring student organizations, current students, alumni, faculty and other notable figures such as ESPN's Cris Collinsworth, former pro football player Brady Quinn and author Nicholas Sparks, who will talk about their experience with Notre Dame and encourage people to donate. The broadcast will

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Kennedy lecture benefits ill SMC student

By NICOLE CARATAS

Gordon said he thinks there was and that the consensus of docmore than one person who shot tors' reports made at the hospital



enthusiast Kennedy Jack Gordon discussed the unexamined side of the shooting at a Saint Mary's benefit lecture entitled Separating Truth from Myth," on Thursday.

Gordon's presentation focused on the circumstances and investigations surrounding the assassination of John F. Kennedy. He said he believes there is more to the shooting than is normally taught.

Kennedy because there is "overwhelming evidence that gunshots came from two different directions." He cited video clips and photographs taken during the procession in Dallas to show that there were multiple shots fired at the president. Gordon said he believes the president was hit three or four times, and that it is possible there were six or seven shots total

He also said there were discrepancies with doctor reports,

fired at the car.

in Dallas were covered up. There were also people seen in the background of video footage from the procession who may have acted as signals for when the president was believed to be shot, Gordon said.

"I think the president was hit in the throat first, and then shortly after the throat was then hit in the back causing his arms to go up. I'm not convinced that the back shot exited.... [Gov. John]

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Kennedy enthusiast Jack Gordon examines Kennedy's assination and explores alternate theories as to who shot the former president.



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QUESTION OF THE DAY:

Chocolate candy or fruity candy?



Andrew Grose freshman Keenan Hall "Chocolate."









Meredith Pearce freshman Walsh Hall "Chocolate candy definitely."

Have a question you want answered?

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Rebecca Mai

Cavanaugh Hall

"Fruity, especially gummy

freshman

worms."



Sophomores Allie Griffith and Sean Brown perform Sir Mix-a-Lot's "Baby Got Back" during the Badin Breakdown on South Quad. Thursday's Badin Breakdown, Notre Dame's largest karaoke competition, was part of SUB's AnTostal celebration.

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THE NEXT FIVE DAYS:

Friday

"Pitch Perfect 2" DeBartolo Performing Arts Center 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. Movie sneak preview.

Lunchtime Labor RAPS Geddes Hall

12 p.m.-1 p.m. Research, advocacy and policy series.

"The Wrecking Crew" DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

9:30 p.m.-11:30 p.m. Film Screening.

Saturday

"Candide" DeBartolo Performing Arts Centers 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Opera Notre Dame presents.

The Shirt unveiling Morris Inn 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m.

"A View from the

Bridge"

Arts Center

3 p.m.-5:15 p.m.

Sunday

8 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Worldwide broadcast A capella concert by of the 2015 Shirt. Halftime.

Notre Dame Day Campus wide DeBartolo Performing All Day Celebration of University's founding. National Theatre Live.

Monday

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Washington Hall

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Tuesday

Snite Salon series

Snite Musuem of Art 5 p.m.-5:45 p.m. Collegial discussion and exchange.

"Funding for Nonprofits"

Mendoza College of Buisiness 7 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Non-profit breakfast series.

Archbishop calls for **Christian-Muslim dialogue**

By JEREMY CAPPELLO LEE News Writer

Michael Archbishop Fitzgerald, member of the Society of Missionaries of Africa and delegate to the Arab League from 2006 to 2012, spoke on the importance of interfaith dialogue between Christianity and Islam in a lecture entitled "The Church and Islam 50 Years after Nostra Aetate."

"Religion, relayed by interreligious dialogue, can provide the right atmosphere in which conflicts can be involved," Fitzgerald said. "Efforts can be made towards greater respect for all individuals, and the goal of harmony and peace be brought nearer."

Fitzgerald the said "Nostra Aetate," a declaration passed by the Second Vatican Council of the Roman Catholic Church in 1965, highlights the importance of mutual understanding among religions.

"Christians are not expected to combat other religions, opposing their religious and cultural expression, but rather, to seek to appreciate and defend the spiritual and moral values enshrined in them," he said.

"Nostra Aetate" calls Christians to respect religious plurality in an increasingly connected and the truth found in all these religions, Fitzgerald said.

"It means that the various religions, including Islam, although they differ from Christ — in essential points are not totally rejected," he said. "They are seen as containing, or at least as reflecting, truth which enlightens."

Fitzgerald said the document clarifies that non-Christian religions are to be respected not simply because those who adhere to these religions deserve this respect, but also because these religions themselves contain truths that have directed their followers' lives.

"It would be possible to assert that the different religious traditions are to be taken seriously because they have shaped the religious outlook of the people who have followed these traditions," he said. "One can't make a valid distinction between the respect due to the persons and the respect for the religion."

Even though the importance of Jesus Christ may not be recognized in other religions, that does not prevent non-Christians from attaining the same enlightenment towards which Christians strive, Fitzgerald said.

"The role of Jesus Christ as unique mediator between God and human

secular world and recognize kind doesn't exclude subordinate mediations," he said. "Dialogue with people of other religions is by no means excluded."

> While "Nostra Aetate" is an important refinement in church doctrine promoting the respect of diverse faiths, it also has its limitations, Fitzgerald said.

> "Because of its brevity, which was a deliberate choice in order to avoid controversy, it doesn't do full justice to the different religions in the world," he said. "It leaves much work for theologians. In this way, it can be considered an invitational document rather than a prescriptive document."

> In the context of a growing perception of Christianity and Islam as opposed world views, it is important to increase dialogue between these two religions, Fitzgerald said.

"Christian-Muslim dialogue should lead to a common search for understanding, to a shared sympathy for those who are suffering and in need," he said. "A thirst for justice for all, forgiveness from wrong done, together with a readiness to recognize one's own wrongdoing."

Fitzgerald said before dialogue can take place, however, the widespread misunderstandings people hold of both the Christian and Islamic faiths must first be addressed.

"A difficulty is in lack of knowledge when one considers populations as a whole," he said. "There is an ignorance in the West about Islam, and much ignorance about Christianity in countries where there is a Muslim majority.

"There is a constant need to educate people, conveying the true image of Islam, as many Muslims advocate, but also revealing the true image of Christianity."

Fitzgerald said while the influence of interfaith dialogue is greatest at the grassroots level, it is important for high ranking religious leaders to foster a community of understanding as well.

ND Day to include six development challenges

By RACHEL O'GRADY News Writer

This Monday, as part of Notre Dame Day, the Notre Dame Initiative for Global Development (NDIGD) will host the first ever Global Development Challenge.

"[The] Global Development Challenge is comprised of six stations centrally located on campus, each relating to a global development challenge that NDIGD and the Notre Dame Community are currently working to address. Each station has a hands-on, interactive challenge for students, faculty, staff and members of the South Bend community to participate in," event plan-Meagan McDermott ner said.

McDermott said events will include a scavenger hunt, a geography challenge and a 3-point shooting contest.

"Notre Dame Day is about celebrating the best aspects of the University, and so we're excited to showcase the global development work NDIGD and the Notre Dame community is doing in such a fun and interactive way," she said.

Participants can take on the challenges individually or in teams of up to four peo-

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the challenges by yourself or with a group of friends," McDermott said.

McDermott said winners will have the opportunity to either play basketball or

"Each task relates" to a global development issue that Notre Dame is currently working to address in the developing world, such as clean water, education and one of my passions, fighting malaria."

Ruth Riley former WNBA player

have dinner with former Notre Dame basketball player, Ruth Riley.

"Each task relates to a global development issue that Notre Dame is currently working to address in the developing world, such as clean water, education and one of my passions, fighting malaria," Riley said in a video promoting the challenge.

According to McDermott, the original idea for the events came from Riley and her commitment to helping those in the developing world.

envisioned "[Riley] [the Global Development Challenge] as an opportunity to spread the word about the work that NDIGD is doing to the rest of campus. We were excited about the opportunity to involve students in our mission, and saw Notre Dame Day as a great day to hold the event as we try to spread the word about the work that our office is doing to different parts of campus," McDermott said.

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"Religious leaders are not called upon to formulate concrete political measures but rather to underline basic moral principles," he said. "They need to be able to support government measures when these are seen to contribute to the common good, but also to criticize them when human dignity is not being fully respected."

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interactive way."

Meagan McDermott event planner, Global Development Challenge

ple, McDermott said. The six challenges are slated to take no more than an hour and can be completed any time between 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

"Some of the stations will make for great photo opportunities, and there's no better way for students and their friends to spend some down time between classes. The challenges were planned in such a way that anyone can participate and have fun, whether you're taking on

istration fee will go to Connectivity, Electricity and Education for Entrepreneurship in Uganda, one of NDIGD's many projects, McDermott said.

"This is a great opportunity to learn more about the aid and support Notre Dame is providing to those most in need. The global development work being highlighted through the Global Development Challenge is central to Fr. Sorin's goal of being 'a global force for good,'" she said.

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SMC groups explore child immigration policy

La Fuerza organizes "Week of Action," College Republicans and Democrats debate political reform.

By HALEIGH EHMSEN

Saint Mary's Editor

La Fuerza, a club that celebrates Latina culture at Saint Mary's, organized a "Week of Action" on campus this past week to address pressing issues facing the Latin community, sophomore Maria Hernandez, president of the club, said.

Hernandez said the theme of the week was "Into the Unknown: The Immigration Journey of Unaccompanied Minors." She said she thought this theme was especially important as there was an influx of unaccompanied minors crossing the border into the U.S. from Latin America this past summer.

"This was not the first time unaccompanied minors have come to the United States," Hernandez said. "This has been and will continue to be an ongoing issue within the immigration sphere.

"This recent crisis has exposed the many issues within the immigration system. These issues range from humanitarian to political issues — which is why La Fuerza decided to cover this particular issue from a variety of perspectives."

A panel of community members spoke about their experiences with immigration Tuesday, Hernandez said.

Jose Alvarez, a senior at Holy Cross, spoke about the experience of his five-year-old cousin, who traveled from Honduras to Mexico via plane and then was sent across the border with 'coyotes,' people who smuggle immigrants into the U.S., Hernandez said.

Hernandez said it was important for students to hear Alvarez's story because the audience was able to put a face to the week's theme of immigration and unaccompanied minors.

Alvarez also showed a video of his cousin reuniting with his

aunt in the U.S. after the long journey.

After the journey, Jose's cousin said he just wanted to eat pizza, which helped strengthen the audience's connection to the child, Hernandez said.

Throughout Alvarez's story, there was also a great amount of information about how his cousin was treated while in the custody of the immigration system, Hernandez said.

"[Alvarez shared] how his cousin was given one sandwich a day [while in custody] and a thin 'aluminum foil' type blanket which did not keep him warm," she said. "Jose also shared how his cousin had to sign a paper stating he understood his basic rights."

On Wednesday, Fr. Daniel Groody, associate professor of theology and director of immigration initiatives at the Institute for Latino Studies at Notre Dame, spoke about his experience working on the border of U.S. and Mexico, Hernandez said.

Representatives from Saint Mary's Republican Club and Democrat Club also engaged in a political debate about immigration Thursday as part of the week's events, Hernandez said.

Overall, the week was designed for students to understand multiple viewpoints about child immigration because there are many injustices surrounding the issue, Hernandez said.

"There is a lack of intercultural understanding, which is why we wanted to cover a wide variety of perspectives, because many people have different understandings of this issue," she said. "We find it necessary to offer all perspectives to tackle this issue, to improve the lives of these children and learn what we can do to ensure their situation gets better."

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Members of the bipartisan debate discuss the recent influx of undocumented child immigrants in the United States and the impact of immigration on the nation.

By SYDNEY DOYLE News Writer

Saint Mary's "Week of Action" hosted a bipartisan debate between representatives of the College Republicans and College Democrats clubs Thursday at the College. The issue of the debate was the immigration of unaccompanied minors into the United Sates.

The event began with an opening statement from College Republicans repre-

"We are all immigrants, we are all American. This is not to say that our immigration policies are not in need of dire changes."

Nicole O'Toole president, College Republicans

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reason they come is because the living conditions in their home countries have become increasingly unstable for reasons like trauma, stress, violence and abuse."

A large issue in the debate was the question of whether to send children back to the situations they had left when they crossed the border.

O'Toole said there is a need to reform both border control and immigration.

"To a certain extent, it gets out of our hands. If every child in the world said, 'Take me in or I'm going to be killed,' it would become too much," O'Toole said.

Junior Bri O'Brien, a representative of College Democrats, responded by saying there are 60,000 unaccompanied minors in the U.S. This is a small number compared to the 12 million total undocumented immigrants in the U.S. today, she said.

President Barack Obama's executive order provides amnesty to undocumented immigrants, but only 50 percent of children are granted amnesty after going through the legal process required, O'Brien said. as you would love to do that, we have [many] American citizens without food, without a roof over their head that we need to worry about first, before we can think about people that are trying to come into this country," Golden said.

In response to a question from the audience on the relationship between Catholic social responsibility and immigration, O'Brien said the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) believe it is

"The Democrats believe in a more permanent solution that keeps families together."

Angge Rocal Bazan junior, College Democrats

the Church's duty to respect all who come the U.S. for safety.

She said the USCCB believes we have a "responsibility to help those in need." A closing statement by the College Republicans emphasized the importance of immigration reform.



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SMC College Republicans and Democrats convene to debate immigration policy as part of La Fuerza's "Week of Action."

Republicans president Nicole O'Toole said she thinks it is important to debunk the stereotype that Republicans are anti-immigration.

"We are all immigrants, we are all American," O'Toole said. "This is not to say that our immigration policies are not in need of dire changes." In her opening statement, junior Angge Rocal Bazan, a representative from College Democrats, said most children are migrating from areas in Latin America fraught with economic and social turmoil.

"They are crossing into the United States in search of refuge," Rocal Bazan said. "The Rocal Bazan said the Democrat party believes this system has to change.

"The Democrats believe in a more permanent solution that keeps families together," Rocal Bazan said.

Shannon Golden, junior and representative of College Republicans, responded by saying it was important to prioritize the needs of legal citizens.

"There is injustice going on throughout the world and [we can't take] everyone that's being victimized — as much "The goal is not to send children back, but to make sure no more [children] come in," Golden said.

She said although there is no clear solution yet, the U.S. must reform how illegal children are treated.

Rocal Bazan delievered the College Democrats' closing statement, highlighting the importance of keeping families together.

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to releasing hit singles such as "I Want You Back," "With Ur Love" and "I Wish," Cher's YouTube popularity offers a small indication of her success worldwide," Minir said. "She is very popular in the U.K., where she originates from, and [her popularity] has steadily grown in the United States over the past few years.

"She is on the verge of releasing her third studio album, so we are excited to see what heights she will reach given the success of the previous two albums," he said. "Her ability to sing, rap and perform covers of many other artists made her a unique talent to bring, and one that we think the campus will love to see live."

Leon said she thinks many middle school dreams will come true Saturday when Jesse McCartney performs.

"In a lot of ways, he was the Justin Bieber of our generation," Leon said. "I think, though I can't say with full certainty at this point, that one of the few things better than the Frosh-O renditions of "Beautiful Soul" would be a rendition by Jesse himself.

"Additionally, he's had a number of popular songs in more recent years that should also make for a great performance," she said.

Minir said he thinks the artists complement two each other well and will provide entertainment for people with different musical tastes.

"Cher Lloyd is an artist that is a current international pop star, so we thought it would be a good match for Jesse McCartney, a male pop star who represented more of a past generation," Minir said.

SUB concert. Cher Lloyd and Jesse McCartney will perform this year. long-standing tradition on to get some direct input in campus, Minir said. "The spring concert has

been going on for a while now, at least since the 1980s," he said. "Previously they used to hold a large concert in the JACC that was often public to everyone, not just Notre Dame students."

Leon said over the summer, SUB brainstorms different artists across all genres that might be a good fit for the concert.

"Each year, the concert programmers, along with their committee of dorm

"This year we brought our surveys to the dining hall

addition to the feedback we got from sending them out online," Leon said. "These surveys provide insight into not only which genres students prefer, but also which artists they would like to see on campus.

"Once we have a solid list of potential artists, the next stage is reaching out to the artists' agencies to get up-to-date pricing and availability information for each artist," she said. "This helps us get a better sense of which artists we can afford to bring and what dates will work."

Leon said the committee typically decides who they would like to bring to campus early in the spring semester. An offer letter is then sent to the artist's agents.

"The timeline for officially booking an artist all varies based on whether or not the artists are still available and whether or not they accept the offer," she said. "Once the artists are booked, SUB makes the announcement, coordinates ticket sales and contacts our lighting and sound production crew to ensure everything is prepared for the

of the artists SUB strongly

considered for the concert.

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the agencies that forced

us to delay the official an-

Minir said tickets this

"All Notre Dame, Holy

Cross and Saint Mary's stu-

dents can purchase tickets

from the LaFortune Box

Office, located on the first

floor of LaFortune in the

main lounge, God Quad

side," Minir said.

year are being sold for \$10.

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"This year we had a num-

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only to promote Notre Dame's 1990 game against Michigan, the second Shirt, produced that same year, served to commemorate the game against Miami and simultaneously raise money for the medical expenses of a graduate student who had recently been injured in a car accident.

"That's where The Shirt's mission came from, to support students, help defer medical costs, make sure every student at Notre Dame feels included — to help unify the student section but also the students," Dankoff said, "Over the past 26 years it's grown into the single largest piece of college apparel sold annually across the nation; last year we were around 170,000, so that's our record and we hope to break it this year again."

According to Dankoff, all proceeds from sales go back to students by funding the Rector Fund, the Shirt Charity and SAO student activities.

This year, The Shirt Project has partnered with Alta Gracia Apparel, "a living wage factory in the Dominican Republic who pays their workers over 300 percent of the legal minimum wage so they can actually support their families, go to school [and] put food on the table. We think that their mission and our mission really connect," Dankoff said

Dankoff says planning for The Shirt 2015 began in October, when an email was sent out to the entire campus inviting applications to join The Shirt Committee. From these applications, 11 committee members were selected. These members focused on designing, marketing, planning the unveiling of The Shirt and recruiting volunteers for the event. Creating a design for The Shirt

Kennedy

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separately."

began immediately that fall, and in February, the official design was finalized and sent off to manufacturers. Since then, Dankoff said, The Shirt Committee has been working to promote the new Shirt.

"[We've been] constantly working on our social media and our marketing, so for the past two months we've been preparing for the unveiling and everything that goes into that, getting vendors and entertainment and somebody to unveil the shirt," Dankoff said. "This year we're really excited to have Sgt. Tim McCarthy come unveil the shirt."

This year's ceremony will be open to all and broadcast live at notredameday.nd.edu, according to Notre Dame's website.

Entertainment and food will be provided starting at 5:30 p.m. and will prominently feature student groups funded through The Shirt proceeds, including the Glee Club, a capella group Harmonia and Notre Dame swing dancers, the website said. The actual unveiling will be done by retired Indiana state police officer Sgt. Tim McCarthy, recognizable to most as the voice of home football game safety announcements, at 6:57 p.m. Immediately after the unveiling, The Shirt 2015 will be available for purchase.

After the unveiling, The Shirt Committee will pick up work again starting on summer marketing and sales, Dankoff said.

"What we like to emphasize most is our mission, that everything we do is directly impacting the students at this University," Dankoff said, "The point of The Shirt is to unify everybody, both in apparel but also in Notre Dame. I like to think of that as our own mission, that then benefits the greater mission of the school."

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program. Countless times, she has been a patient. For her career, she desires to administer to others. Even when she is receiving treatment, she is studying so that she may treat others."

According to Gaito, the money raised will go toward Richardson's treatment and give her the opportunity to travel to and from National Jewish Hospital in Denver, Colorado, which specializes in rare asthma cases.

show." Leon said Nelly was one







The Goo Goo Dolls perform in Stepan Center at last year's concert. The concert is a long-standing Notre Dame tradition begun in 1980. **Contact Matthew McKenna at** mmcken12@nd.edu

print, Cuba. They all have motive to kill President Kennedy, and Cuba is the common denominator."

Connelly in my mind is hit twice,

As for who shot the president,

Gordon said, "For me, for 40 years,

it's been a triangle. Three cor-

ners to the triangle: Anti-Castro

Cubans, Organized Crime, CIA.

And inside the triangle, in bold

The event also hoped to mitigate the medical expenses of junior Jessica Richardson, who suffers from Bronchorrhea asthma, a rare respiratory disease.

"I have known Jessica and her family for over ten years," family friend Daniel Gaito said when he introduced Richardson to the crowd. "Considering how often Jessica has been in the hospital and how many times she has been in a doctor's office, one would think she would pursue a course of study far from the medical community.

"However, she is about to complete her junior year in the nursing

"She does not want anyone to feel sorry for her," Gaito said. "She does not complain about her condition. She feels blessed and acknowledges that there are many worse off. She does not seek pity. Instead, she desires your assistance.

"I am asking you to make an investment in Jessica. Normally, investments are quantitative in nature. But sometimes, investments are qualitative. ... You invest in people. Jessica is my most worthwhile investment. Keeping her healthy and on her nursing trajectory is critical for this community."

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We would like to thank the students, faculty, staff, and administration at the University of Notre Dame for the outpouring of love and support our family received upon the loss of our beloved wife, daughter, and sister,

Cathy Pieronek.

The memories and funny stories you shared, the prayers you offered, and the heartfelt hugs meant more to us than we can ever adequately express in words.





Thank you for being there for her and for us. Your thoughtfulness and kindness are greatly appreciated.

Chuck Shedlak, Joann Pieronek, Tom Pieronek, and Patty (Pieronek) Frost





BROADCAST SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2015

HOUR #1: 6:42 PM ET ------

Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C. - President, University of Notre Dame Unveiling of "THE SHIRT" at 6:57 PM ET

- Jordan Karcher ND MBA / owner of Hounds and Grounds
- Lauren Josephson ND student / documentary film maker
- Rev. Tim Scully, C.S.C. & Rev. Sean McGraw, C.S.C. Garrity McOsker & Rev. Brian Daley, S.J. Bengal Bouts
- Barber "Artist" from San Antonio (TX) Buck Buchannon ND student / Developed app for disabled sister
- Demetrius Jackson ND student-athlete
- Band of the Fighting Irish LIVE remote from concert
- Michael Hainey ND alum / Editor-At-Large of GQ Magazine

HOUR #2:8 PM ET ------

Rev. Bill Lies, C.S.C. - VP, Mission Engagement & Church Affairs Carl Anderson - Knights of Columbus

- Mike Anderson ND alum / Author
- Professor Dan Stowe Director, ND Glee Club Notre Dame Glee Club LIVE performance Dr. Rudy Navari ND alum / W.H.O.

- Wine & Canvas Event LIVE remote from Morris Inn
- Professor Jim Schmiedeler robots in rehabilitation Charlie Buhler - ND alumna / former Miss South Dakota Kathleen Dooley - ND student / turns brain scans into art Mitch Abraham - ND student

HOUR #3: 9 PM ET -----

- Benjamin Sunderland ND MFA student / bell maker Dean John McGreevy Dean, College of Arts & Letters
- Bookstore Basketball Champions
- ND student who designed "The Shirt"
- Libby Byrne, Roshen Sebastian & Olivia August ND Students /
- ND SEED program
- Joe Theismann ND Alum / all-time great ND QB Dillon Hall vs. Alumni Hall Heads-Up game
- Cavanaugh Hall vs. Lyons Hall Heads-Up game

HOUR #4: 10 PM ET -----

- Konrad Billetz ND MBA alum / Forbes Magazine's "30 Under 30" Notre Dame Club of Hong Kong
- Notre Dame's Ballroom Dancing Club LIVE performance Golden Tate - ND alum / Super Bowl Champion - ND All-American Halftime - LIVE performance from co-ed acapella group Professor Phillippe Colon
- Howard Hall vs. Pangborn Hall Heads-Up game Pasquerilla East Hall vs. Pasquerilla West Hall Heads-Up game Jerry Tillery - ND student-athlete / Notre Dame defensive tackle

HOUR #5: 11 PM ET -----

Takashi Yanagi - ND student / raised \$170,000 in scholarships Rear Adm. Chris Grady - ND alum / LIVE interview from carrier Meg Vonderhaar & Hannah Chiarella - ND students Noreen Fischer - ND student

- Noreen Fischer ND student
 Saint Mary's College "Bella Capella" LIVE performance
 Brady Quinn ND alum / All-American QB / broadcaster
 Zahm Hall vs. St. Ed's Hall Heads-Up game
- Ryan Hall vs. Welsh Family Hall Heads-Up game Sarah Enciso - ND student / Camp Sunshine

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HOUR #13: 7 AM ET -----HOUR #22: 4 PM ET -----

John Affleck-Graves – EVP, University of Notre Dame

Rocky Bleier – ND alum / Four-time Super Bowl Champion

Chuck Connors - ND student / Boston Marathon runner

HOUR #23: 5 PM ET -----

Elizabeth Curtin & Paivi Ekroth - ND student music performance

HOUR #24: 6 PM ET -----

• Bruce Harlan - ND alum / Long-time photographer for Fr. Ted

Paul Fritts / Viewing of new Basilica of the Sacred Heart organ

Professor Sue Sheridan

Professor Carter Snead

Professor Kevin Bowyer

· Rev. Dan Groody, C.S.C.

Dick Vitale – ND Parent

Rev. David Tyson, C.S.C.

Tim Sexton – AVP, Public Affairs

 Hon. Sheila O'Brien – ND alumna Marty Ogren - Fr. Ted's personal driver

HOUR #25: 7 PM ET -----

Greg Crawford - VP, Associate Provost

• US Senator Joe Donnelly - ND alum

Lou Nanni – VP, University Relations

Kevin Ford - ND alum / US Astronaut

Professor Justin Krepp

Jamie Sarubbi – ND student

Notre Dame Club of Philadelphia

Autry Denson – ND football coach

Notre Dame's Sleep Lab - LIVE remote

The Undertones / LIVE performance

TUG OF WAR Semi-Finals and Finals

Todd Lyght – ND football coach

Rudy Monterosa - ND Alumni Association

Professor Keith Davis

• ND student's LIVE organ performance

• Notre Dame Chorale / LIVE performance

HOUR #26: 8 PM ET -----

Digital Visualization Theater / LIVE remote

Notre Dame Folk Choir / LIVE performance

TUG of WAR Prelims – Men's residence halls

Mike Brey – Notre Dame's men's basketball coach

John Doran - ND student / Notre Dame Leprechaun

Manti Te'o - ND alum / All-time great ND Linebacker

• TUG of WAR Prelims - Women's residence halls

Adam Clement – Design Director, Under Armour

Notre Dame's Global Gateway - Beijing, China

Nicholas Sparks - ND alum / author / screenwriter / producer

HOUR #27: 9 PM ET -----

• Notre Dame's BAJA Club / LIVE remote to see race vehicle

Tommy Hawkins – ND alum / Recent Ring of Honor recipient

Dr. David Gaus - ND alum / LIVE - Hesburgh Hospital (Ecuador)

HOUR #28: 10 PM ET -----

HOUR #29: 11 PM ET -----

James Onwualu - ND student-athlete

LIVE Remote from South Dining Hall

Alex Coccia - ND alum / Rhodes Scholar

Eugenio Acosta - ND Alumni Association

Notre Dame Bagpipe Band / LIVE performance

Siegfried Hall vs. Knott Hall – Heads-Up game

Melanie Chapleau - Fr. Ted's Executive Assistant

- Jim Lynch - ND alum / All-time great, ND Football

Tribute video to Fr. Ted – narrated by Don Keough

Ara Parseghian - All-time football coaching great

 Morrissey Hall vs. Fisher Hall – Heads-Up game · Farley Hall vs. Breen-Phillips Hall - Heads-Up game

Incoming students (Class of 2019) from St. Joseph County

Tim Brown / Heisman Trophy winner - NFL Hall of Fame inductee

Dr. Larry Lenke - ND alum / World leading spinal surgeon

Bill Sexton - Former VP, University Relations

Sorin Hall vs. Duncan Hall - Heads-Up game

Notre Dame Drumline / LIVE performance

· Keough Hall vs. O'Neill Hall - Heads-Up game

Lewis Hall vs. Walsh Hall - Heads-Up game

- Pat McCauslin ND Supervisor of Grounds
- Professor Ed Maginn
- Notre Dame's Rome Gateway / Dr. Ted Cachey
- Cassie Gettinger & Kathyrn Carpenter ND students / ROTC • ND students in Crawley, Australia
- Mike Costin ND alum
- Asya Kushleyko ND Kroc alumna / LIVE from Moscow
- ND students clerking at the US Supreme Court

HOUR #14: 8 AM ET -----

- Diane Parr Walker University Librarian
- Jim McLaughlin ND Volleyball Coach
- Arienne Thompson ND alumna / USA Today Writer
- · Professor Michelle Whaley / Indiana's Professor of the Year
- Chernor Bah ND Kroc alum / LIVE interview from Sierra Leone
- Rev. Russ McDougall / LIVE from Tantur Institute in Jerusalem Mike Lindburg - ND alum / owner of South Bend Woodworks
- Professor Jerry Langley
- Professor Marya Lieberman & Nichola Myers ND student Alumni Association's Volunteer of the Year

HOUR #15: 9 AM ET -----

- Tim Hoeppner Asst. Fire Chief
- Professor Valerie Sayers
- Molly LaLonde ND Alumna / JEOPARDY champion
- Rev. Monk Malloy, C.S.C. / President Emeritus
- David Wong ND Alum / LIVE interview from Hong Kong
- Marianne Corr VP, General Counsel
- Prof. Sharon Stack Director, Harper Cancer Research Institute
- Manny Villafana -- ND Parent / Inventor Entrpreneur
- Neil Jones ND Student / Business received ND License

HOUR #16: 10 AM ET -----

- Mik Aoki ND Baseball Coach
- Tom Bettag ND alum / Senior TV executive
- Dean Nell Newton Dean, ND Law School
- Professor Serigne Ndiaye
- Anna Kiely and Ethan Muehlstein ND Students
- Scott Jackson Executive Director of Shakespeare at ND
- Guiellermo Alonso ND student / Shakespeare
- John McHale, Jr. ND alum / EVP of Major League Baseball
- Notre Dame Club of Minnesota
 Rev. Pete McCormick, C.S.C. Director of Campus Ministry
- Christine Halfpenny ND Women's Lacrosse Coach

HOUR #17: 11 AM ET -----

- Maxim Cantor Russian visiting artist / LIVE painting exhibition
- Dean Roger Huang Dean, Mendoza College of Business
- Tim Legge University Communications / Tri-athlete
- Andy Boes ND alum / LIVE remote from Peru
- Professor Paul Bohn
- Professor Duncan Stroik
- Professor Ani Apraham / LIVE remote from Particle Accelerator
- Professor Scott Morris

HOUR #18: NOON ET ------

- LIVE Remote from Dunk Tank at Fieldhouse Mall
- Dean Scott Appley Dean, Keough School of Global Affairs
- Professor Alan Seabaugh
- Professor Luis Fraga
- Bob Bernhard VP of Research
- Mary Bliley ND alumna / ND's first female degree recipient

HOUR #19: 1 PM ET -----

 Dean Michael Lykoudis - Dean, School of Architecture Tom McKee – ND alum / App developer in Silicon Valley

Notre Dame Children's Choir / LIVE performance

Angie Appleby Purcell – ND Alumni Association

LIVE unveiling of Web Cam from top of Golden Dome

Jason Railton - Manager, Audio Video Technologies

HOUR #20: 2 PM ET -----

Laura Gruszka - ND student / Blogger

Professor Margot Fassler

Professor Joannes Westerink

Tasha Alexander - ND alumna / NY Times bestselling author

Cody Ferrantino & David Reed – ND students / Camp Kesem

- Sonia Urquidi, Gavin Hsu & Alec Sievern ND students
- Professor Jennifer Tank
- Notre Dame's Mariachi Band / LIVE performance Dolly Duffy – Executive Director, Notre Dame Alumni Association

MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2015

HOUR #6: MIDNIGHT ET ----

Zahm Hall Pizza Sale - LIVE remote Brvan Ricketts & Nidia Ruelas - ND students Rebecca Feng - ND student

- ND undergrad students from Ireland
- Voices of Faith Choir LIVE performance
- Rick Mazzei & Katy Patterson ND Rectors
- Notre Dame Club of India

Carroll Hall vs. Fischer, O'Hara Grace - Heads-Up game McGlinn Hall vs. Badin Hall - Heads-Up game

HOUR #7: 1 AM ET - REPLAY of HOUR #1 HOUR #8: 2 AM ET - REPLAY of HOUR #2 HOUR #9: 3 AM ET - REPLAY of HOUR #3 HOUR #10: 4 AM ET - REPLAY of HOUR #4 HOUR #11: 5 AM ET - REPLAY of HOUR #5 HOUR #12: 6 AM ET - REPLAY of HOUR #6

 Leon Glon - University Sexton / Cedar Grove Cemetery Nick Entrikin - VP and Associate Provost for Internationalization Chris Stevens – ND alum / Co-Founder of Keurig

Nick Johnson – Executive Director of Strategic Communications

- Molly Huddle ND alumna / US Olympian (Record Holder)
- Professor Nitesh Chawla
- Greg Bourdon & Alexis Pala ND students
- Mara Oyster ND alumna / Hires many ND alums
- Michael Swiekar Managing Director, I.G.D.
- Professor John Cavadini

HOUR #21: 3 PM ET -----

- Chuck Loving Director and Curator, Snite Museum Rev. Paul Kollman, C.S.C. - Director, Center for Social Concerns Frank Spesia – ND student Pete Bevacqua – ND alum / CEO, PGA of America Jim & Christine Corgel . Fr. Paul Doyle, C.S.C. - Rector, Dillon Hall Jim Lyphout - Former VP at Notre Dame Julia Steiner - ND alumna / LIVE performance Notre Dame Club of Miami Bonzie Colson – ND student-athlete
- Notre Dame Archives / LIVE remote

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Notre Dame Club of Chicago

Jaylon Smith – ND student-athlete

- Rev. Gary Chamberlan, C.S.C.
- Annie Crider ND student
- Stanford Hall vs. Keenan Hall in Heads-Up Game

• Notre Dame Radio Station (90.7 FM) - LIVE remote

Trumpets in the Dome

The Shirt Committee

Professor Jessica Payne

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also feature remote interviews and performances around campus, Notre Dame Day program director Aaron Wall said.

The campaign also includes voting for how a 'Challenge Fund' of \$1 million will be distributed to hundreds of clubs, academic departments, teams, dorms and other "areas of interest" listed on the Notre Dame Day website.

By donating \$10 through the website or by phone or text, donors receive five votes, which they can direct to any of the listed entities. After the campaign ends, each organization will receive a piece of the Challenge Fund proportional to the number of votes it received.

For example, Wall said if 10,000 donations are made, as he anticipates, an organization will win roughly \$20 for each individual vote it receives, though the exact amount will vary based on how many donations come in.

Wall said donors have to give \$10 to be able to vote, and while they can give more if they choose, a gift of any size still garners only five votes, and each subsequent gift of \$10 or more gets one additional vote. Wall said the purpose of these limits is to make sure everyone has the power to direct the Challenge Fund regardless of how much they are able to donate.

"There are so many people that love Notre Dame, and all of them do not have the capacity to make those large gifts," he said. "So through this million-dollar challenge fund, we're putting a generational and income-level equity among all Notre Dame people, everyone in the community — faculty, staff, alums, people who just love the University."

As a result, some organizations stand to receive hundreds or thousands of dollars through the Challenge Fund voting. Wall said Knott Hall, for example, garnered eight percent of the vote for last year's \$250,000 Challenge Fund, allowing the hall to create a new weight room. While there are some limits on how the money can be used and each organization will not actually receive the money for another six weeks or so, Wall said participating organizations will generally be able to spend the money they raise as they see fit. "It's meant to be on a large-scale mission of improvement," Wall said. "[For example,] if Cavanaugh raised \$10,000 through Notre Dame Day —[that's] one percent of the vote — the idea isn't to have pizza every night in Cavanaugh. That's not



Notre Dame staff and administrators work on the logistics of last year's Notre Dame Day, the first installment of the event.



Students, faculty and guests celebrate Notre Dame Day 2014 in the LaFortune Student Center. This will be the event's second year.

what the money is used for. It should be to improve the long-term health of the residents, both physically and communally. It could mean that you take 20 girls to Costa Rica for a service project, but it also could mean new couches."

Several anonymous families donated the million dollars for the Challenge Fund in advance, Wall said. As is the case with normal financial gifts, donors who give \$10 to participate in the voting can say where they want that money to be allocated: academics, financial aid, mission and service, student life, athletics, any other indicated organization or to "greatest need," which Wall said can be used for any emergency expense but usually ends up in the financial aid fund. Students can also participate in a tug-of-war tournament Monday at 3 p.m., where dorms will compete for a \$4,000 first prize, Wall said. Meanwhile, a social media lounge with food in the LaFortune Student Center will be available all day.

Wall said planning for Notre Dame Day required custom-building a mechanism for taking and displaying Challenge Fund votes, working out how to distribute the funds and approve how they are used and explaining to clubs and other campus entities how the campaign works. A committee of senior University administrators guided the process.

"It's been really fun to work with a lot of the clubs who are really into this," he said. "They go out, and they're just promoting to anybody in their listservs and social media." The goal, Wall said, is both to celebrate Notre Dame and to support it. "The Notre Dame family loves what Notre Dame students do in the classroom, on the athletic fields, in their clubs and in their residence halls," he said. "This is the way that we can help all of these groups that want to raise money, raise money."

Time Warner, Comcast merger falls apart

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Even if Comcast's \$45.2 billion bid for Time Warner Cable is dead, consolidation among the companies that pipe in our TV, phone and Internet will carry on.

Combining the No. 1 and No. 2 U.S. cable companies would have put nearly 30 percent of TV and about 55 percent of broadband subscribers under one roof, along with NBCUniversal. That appeared to be too much concentration for regulators.

Bloomberg News and The New York Times both said Thursday that Comcast is planning to drop its bid, citing unidentified people with knowledge of the matter. Comcast and Time Warner Cable declined to comment on the reports.

But cable companies are likely to keep merging as online video options proliferate, the number of cable and satellite TV subscribers slips and costs rise for the shows, sports and movies piped to subscribers.

At the same time, there will be more competition for young customers seeking stand-alone Internet and mobile video offerings and cheaper TV channel packages.

This is already happening. Verizon's FiOS is trying smaller, customizable TV bundles, while HBO has launched an online version of its content, HBO Now, that doesn't require a cable TV subscription.

"I don't think it's the demise of the cable industry. But its complete dominance of distribution is over," said Randy Giusto, a media industry analyst with advisory firm Outsell Inc.

One of the concerns consumer advocates and competitors had with the Comcast deal was that it could undermine the streaming video industry that is reshaping TV. Comcast could, for example, require onerous payments from new online-only video providers for connecting to its network. Dish, the satellite TV company behind the new Web video service Sling TV, and Netflix opposed the deal. advocates and competitors has been fierce since the deal was announced in February 2014.

"This is one of those deals where the opponents of the merger have been one of the most vocal I can remember," said S&P Capital IQ Tuna Amobi.

Then on Friday, Bloomberg, citing unidentified people, said Department of Justice staff attorneys were leaning against the deal. On Tuesday Al Franken, D-Minn., along with five other Democratic senators and Bernie Sanders, I-Vermont, urged the Federal Communications Commission and the Department of Justice to block the merger, saying it would lead to higher prices and fewer choices.

"It's a dead end for Comcast," said Rob McDowell, a former FCC commissioner.

Comcast spokeswoman Sena Fitzmaurice confirmed that company executives met Wednesday with Justice Department and FCC officials. But she would not comment on what occurred during the meetings or what other conversations the company was having with regulators. The Justice Department and the FCC declined to comment.

A dropped Comcast-Time Warner Cable deal means a transaction with Charter Communications Inc. aimed to smoothing the way for regulatory approval also falls apart. Charter's bid for Bright House Networks, which it announced in March, could also be killed.

Many analysts expect that Charter, which lost out on its bid for Time Warner Cable to Comcast, to resurrect its effort.

"Other cable deals that don't involve Comcast might be allowed to go through," McDowell said. There "seems to be an antipathy towards Comcast at the FCC" because the agency thinks Comcast didn't stick to the conditions of its acquisition of NBCUniversal, he said.

A combined Charter and Time

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"It goes to show you how important broadband is," said Amy Yong, a Macquarie analyst.

Regulators have taken other steps that signal how important they consider Internet access. The Federal Communications Commission in February released new "Net Neutrality" rules meant to keep broadband providers from charging Internet companies for "fast lane" access or favoring some content. The broadband industry has sued to stop the rules.

So how did this play out? Opposition from consumer Warner Cable would have 15 million video customers and 16.5 million Internet customers. That's still smaller than Comcast alone, which has 22.4 million video subscribers and 22 million Internet customers.

And the \$48.5 billion combination of DirecTV and AT&T is still expected to go through.

But Comcast may have to look overseas for big cable acquisitions.

"Washington's concern here is excessive control of broadband in the hands of a single company," wrote MoffettNathanson analyst Craig Moffett in a client email. "For all intents and purposes, their M&A ambitions would be on ice in the U.S."

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INSIDE COLUMN

Where is Fr. Jenkins?

Margaret Hynds News Editor

To University President Fr. John Jenkins, On Monday night, I had the opportunity to cover the "Beyond the Hunting Ground" panel that several University administrators sat on and attended.

To be clear, by several, I mean fewer than eight. During the question-and-answer portion of the evening, one woman stood up and asked the following:

"Why have we not heard from Fr. Jenkins? I would think this would be pretty high on his agenda."

With all due respect, Fr. Jenkins, I agree. Where are you?

With the exception of the prayer service at the Grotto on Tuesday, you have not attended any public events concerning sexual assault or "The Hunting Ground" since the film debuted. There have been three separate panel discussions on the Notre Dame campus about the film and sexual assault since Friday, and you have not been to a single one.

You need to know — your absence has not gone unnoticed.

I applaud you for attending the prayer service, but I don't think that's enough.

By failing to speak publicly and personally about the film and how this University handles and prevents sexual assault, you are failing to demonstrate to the community at large that protecting survivors on this campus is something you care deeply about.

Saint Mary's president Carol Ann Mooney attended the College's April 10 screening of "The Hunting Ground," and while she didn't sit on the panel that followed the showing, she did stand up and address the film. She did offer some explanation as to why she declined to be interviewed for it, and she did address some of the statements that former students made about her in the documentary.

So where are you?

In an interview with NDtv that aired Monday night but was taped two weeks prior, you said, "Know that Notre Dame is no more or less than the people that make it up. ... So let's continue together to make Notre Dame what we want it to be. The community we want it to be. The intellectual community. The spiritual community. The social community. I can't do it from my office; all of us need to do it."

I think you touched upon an incredibly impor-

Why this conversation can't end

THE OBSERVER EDITORIAL

As a renewed discussion of sexual assault heats up on campus following the screenings of CNN's documentary "The Hunting Ground," The Observer Editorial Board believes we must discuss the ways the faculty, staff and administrations of both Notre Dame and Saint Mary's can respond.

In an email to Saint Mary's students last Friday, Vice President of Student Affairs Karen Johnson stressed that Notre Dame and Saint Mary's are two separate legal institutions that handle sexual assaults independently of one another. Sexual assaults committed on Notre Dame's campus are handled by NDSP, while St. Joseph County Special Victims Unit handles those committed on Saint Mary's campus. But writing off the two schools as separate legal entities isn't helpful to fighting assault in both places. The fact is that while the two institutions are certainly separate, their communities are not.

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's share a long history, and the administrations should collaborate as much as possible to ensure students are safe on both campuses.

Compared to the other schools presented in the "The Hunting Ground," Notre Dame and Saint Mary's have a unique relationship. Occurrences of sexual assault within separate jurisdictions can create a division that limits the possibility of combined investigative and reporting processes, but we do not have to separate how we assist survivors of sexual assault on both campuses.

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's have the opportunity to lead a movement among college campuses of reporting and handling sexual assault cases honestly and effectively. Working together, our schools can create a system that encourages survivors to report all instances of sexual assault, something they are too often discouraged from doing.

We suggest the schools hire a shared third party legal counsel or additional Title IX coordinator to help the existing staff handle instances that include students at both schools. This will help ensure students will be protected no matter which school they attend or on which campus the assault occurs. Though the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community as a whole must remember its responsibility to fight against a culture that allows sexual assault to persist, it is the duty of the administrations to work together toward lasting institutional change on how to deal with these tragedies when they occur.

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's took the initiative to screen "The Hunting Ground" and host panel

discussions about sexual assault on college campuses. The documentary features dozens of schools accused of mishandling allegations of sexual assault. The conversations created by the film and its screening are a commendable start, but they only matter if they lead to action.

We also feel the reporting of Clery Act crimes to students is a part of the ongoing conversation that demands immediate change. Though some records are available in the NDSP crime log, students are not given enough information about reported sexual assaults — especially Saint Mary's students, who do not receive NDSP crime alerts unless they have taken a class at Notre Dame and have a Notre Dame email address. Students at both schools need to receive crime reports in a direct and timely manner to keep themselves safe and aware anywhere they go.

In years past, Saint Mary's has posted Notre Dame crime alerts on its campus safety webpage, but the College has not done so in more than a year. Because there is so much overlap between the two campuses, Saint Mary's students should receive the crime alerts Notre Dame students receive from NDSP and vice versa.

Additionally, we encourage faculty and staff to continue to speak up for their students and address sexual assault on both campuses. Each and every member of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community has the power to keep the conversation moving forward and push for real change.

With less than two weeks left in the semester, we urge students, faculty, staff and the administrations to work to fully address sexual assault on both campuses. Members of our community shouldn't leave campus for the summer and lose sight of this issue that hurts us so deeply. For the administration, summer break should be an opportunity to revise current procedures to protect students and adequately prosecute crimes of sexual violence before students come back in the fall, not a time to let awareness drop. We encourage all members of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's to not only keep this discussion in mind throughout the coming months, but to participate actively in continuing to make our community the best it can be.

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's may be two distinct legal entities, but we are one community. And as a Catholic community, we must not let the dialogue we have created peter out. Sexual assault is an undeniably critical issue, and when it affects one person in our community, it affects us all. We ask you, members of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community, not to let this conversation end when the school year does. Keep pressing it forward, and turn it into meaningful change.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

You simply gotta Regatta

tant issue in that statement, but I respectfully disagree that change cannot come from your office.

As the face of this University, changing and molding the tone and conversation requires not just student voices, but yours as well. In order for all of us to create the environment we want, we need to know where you, Fr. Jenkins, stand.

So please, let's continue together.

The community I want is one where sexual assault is not tolerated, and where everyone — students, faculty and administration — are on board to stop it.

I think you want that, too, but if you maintain your silence on the subject then we are left guessing what you're thinking. And with this much on the line, we can't afford any uncertainty.

Contact Margaret Hynds at mhynds@nd.edu The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Many may often wonder what it takes to establish an ESPN top-50 college campus event. Here at Notre Dame, there is but one way. Free food, loud music, warm weather, hundreds of beautiful men and women rocking tanks and dozens of amateur sailors braving the high seas of St. Mary's lake, risking life and limb on homemade boats. Over the past 25 years, Fisher Hall has perfected the recipe, combining all the aforementioned elements once every spring to give you the Fisher Regatta.

Widely known as the Cadillac of dorms, Fisher is hosting the Escalade of dorm events this Saturday. The Regatta puts all other dorms to shame. If you don't believe me and think I'm just some random sophomore who has no idea what he's talking about, ask any nearby upperclassman, "Hey, did you go to the Fisher Regatta last year?" and watch as a wide grin spreads across his or her face. Why are they grinning with such goofy pleasure? Simply because at no other time will you be able to chill with a bunch of your friends, your friends' friends and that cute blonde from class you've been wanting an excuse to talk to all semester, eating burgers and dancing to music while watching people aboard an inflatable kiddie pool submerge into a lake. Could you possibly need more convincing? It's time to shelve the sweatpants and winter coats and replace them with bro tanks and bathing suits. Put on that expired sunblock (or embrace the tank tan) and those shades that have been gathering dust. This will be an afternoon to remember. Echoing the words of AC/DC lead singer Brian Johnson, Fisher Hall would like to say, "For those about to [Regatta], we salute you."

> **Tom Burns** sophomore Fisher Hall April 22

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VIEWPOINT

Love thee. However, ...

Alex Caton Modest Proposals

At the risk of closing my Viewpoint career on a negative note, I need to thank my dad for teaching me the tone op-eds require, my mom for teaching me rhetoric and restraint, my philosophy professors for showing me that making arguments is like laying bricks, The Observer's editors for two years of space, latitude and encouragement; my friends for revisions and new topics; and every Main Building decider who has ever given me material for a column. This one is for you.

The second floor study lounge in St. Edward's Hall is called the Gregorian because of a nearly floor-toceiling mural on the east wall painted in 1883 by Luigi Gregori, the Italian artist who also painted the Main Building murals. The mural depicts an exchange of gold rings between Fr. Edward Sorin and a head-dressed Potowatami man in front of an icy lake. Fr. Sorin, I had always assumed or been told or both, was buying the Potowatomi's land to build our University.

Until this week I had no idea the Native American is actually giving Fr. Sorin the rings for baptizing his children. There's a plaque next to the painting saying as much. The friend who pointed this out to me asked, "Isn't that corrupter than sin?"

Frankly I don't know. I'm just disappointed I'd never stopped to read the plaque.

The story here isn't about the morality of paying for sacraments. It's about adopting a disposition instinctively against accepting things as they first appear. Writing for Viewpoint has been my best attempt to turn that disposition toward something we are taught to take as given — the sublime greatness of the University of Notre Dame. I've tried to follow two rules: don't give a complaint without a solution, and don't offer anything unrealistic.

These are some things I've proposed.

Students who want to study abroad in their junior year spring semesters should not have to apply until the fall of their junior year.

Parietals do not serve their desired functions during final exam weeks and, absent a massive increase in study spaces, should be removed during those days.

The Leprechaun Legion overstepped its mandate when it changed the football ticketing policy, and having the officers of this "voice of the student body to the athletic department" on the athletic department's payroll is a conflict of interest.

Eliminating Zahm's common rooms without consulting residents and subsequently stonewalling their attempts at an adult conversation was bad precedent.

Good Samaritan policies explicitly belong in du Lac. Notre Dame should make four classes per semester standard, not five.

Campus Crossroads is a flawed arrangement. Notre Dame should take the lead nationally on reducing its advertised tuition.

"Viewpoint wars" are worth having.

last May with insufficient notice or warrant. One day this February, the University failed to plow six inches of snow from the night before, preventing students in wheelchairs from getting to class.

These are the problems we have the luxury of having. We can only discuss them in a place that has the resources to address them (and sometimes to create them). The world awaiting us has more pressing and horrific woes, but ours are nonetheless legitimate. And if our university educations are supposed to acquaint us with some intangible something — grit, practical knowledge, minds that can separate the important from the not— then falling back on the idea that in four years or less these issues will cease to matter can't be our best choice.

I have no illusions Notre Dame is a democracy, but too many crucial and costly decisions have been made in the last four years with negligible student input and no pretense of transparency. If this is ever to stop, The Observer must be a part of it. On that we have more work to do.

Shortly after a runoff was announced in the 2014 Student Body President election, Mia Lillis, class of 2014, a Cavanaugh Hall RA and supporter of the Olivia LaMagna-Rohan Anderson ticket, wrote "Round2," a parody of Kanye West's "Bound2," to boost her favorite ticket. The post got a sizable amount of traffic due to its creative angle. "Bound 2" opens with the line "All them other n****s lame and you know it now." Largely preserving this wording, Lillis opened her piece with "All them other tickets lame and you know it now." That became the basis of the allegation brought before Judicial Council by the Lauren Vidal-Matt Devine ticket that their opponents had violated Student Government Constitution, which prohibits "insulting or defaming other candidates." In turn, the Vidal-Devine ticket was accused of exceeding their \$200 pre-runoff spending limit by paying to promote their campaign page's Facebook posts.

In its only news article on the matter, The Observer was passive on both tickets' violations, content to quote the Judicial Council press release: LaMagna-Anderson "violated the Constitution by insulting the opposing ticket in a Facebook post by a supporter".

In describing allegations against Vidal-Devine, the paper quoted the press release again. The story concluded with quotes from the candidates. Both tickets deleted the posts.

The Observer played into the illusion that the facts of two hearings were unknowable to anyone outside the room and chose to let Judicial Council dictate the story to them. The paper let go of an interesting story and arguably fell into false equivalency. The only real follow-up was a staff editorial arguing that clearer election rules would reduce campaign violations, and ever-so-lightly implying that this looked like a case of equal punishments for unequal crimes. That's worth something, but it's also a missed opportunity to describe the process and prices of social media campaigns, catalogue what gets construed as "insulting and defaming other candidates" and profile the exertion and premeditation The reporters shorted the readers on the interesting stuff.

I don't think The Observer got that close to the situation without knowing what was going on and being able to report all the facts in a proper journalistic way. Rather, I think that, as students, the reporters are not interested in undermining the credibility and effectiveness of the people who will represent them in student government, nor in hurting people they call friends.

These are the conflicting loyalties that arise when writing for a student paper. They are real, but they shouldn't steer us. I regret that after typing 1,000 words on this exact topic last year, I chose not to submit the piece. The reasons above were my reasons. I'm not innocent here either.

But we all stand to gain from The Observer digging deeper into these kinds of stories and becoming the site for informed student judgment and new student ideas. In the elections case, campaigns simply won't violate the rules if they know that they will face something more than demonstrably weak Judicial Council sanctions. In the broader, more important case of repeated and costly missteps by the University administration, The Observer is our shot to airdrop transparency, accountability and students' common sense into the picture of the administration's decisions.

The Observer can gain credibility among the student body as the serious source of Notre Dame news. Our paper is not the Harvard Crimson, but I don't think that's for lack of talent or because original reporting isn't a fun way to spend your time. I think it's because The Observer has here and elsewhere chosen politeness over persistence, pursuing an angle of less resistance in reporting the facts. The paper's motto, "to uncover the truth and report it accurately," loses its teeth when reporters stop digging and when editors opt not to go forward with pertinent information. This is what accountability requires. The stakes are high.

I'm hopeful though, because every weekday we have a print edition as extensive as any other school's and because on this campus The Observer's readership rivals the New York Times. Because a rankings-conscious administration with growing pains and identity crises and \$10 billion in the bank will almost certainly continue to cut corners on student self-governance. Because the news coverage over the last couple of weeks — from Fr. Hesburgh's death to sexual assault incidences and discussions to the head-scratcher court ruling exempting Notre Dame Security Police from open records requests — has shown us capable of covering the campus. Because covering the campus is a worthy thing to do.

The good news, in short, is this: the guarantee that Our Lady's University will continue to have a story worth telling, and that we have the freedom to choose how we tell it.

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There are topics I missed. The Irish Guard was gutted involved in seeking student government's highest post. *author and not necessarily those of The Observer.*

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Disconnect to connect

Lately I have been becoming more and more aware of the negative influence cell phones can have on building relationships. I am not writing to put forth the idea that technology is just bad and the only way to fix these negative impacts is to rid ourselves of cell phones all together. Cell phones have their purpose in relationships, but I think we should pause and ask if their purpose is being abused? When I am walking around campus or through the dining hall, I see a lot of people looking at little glowing screens and not looking at each other. In an age where phones can help us to get in contact with others with more ease than ever before, are we really connected? Are we present to the people around us? Or must we always be present to the countless texts, snap chats, notifications, apps, etc. While these may have their purpose, they don't substitute for people. And we miss out on people when we are always looking down at that little white screen.

I think we are all thirsting for authentic relationships. We wouldn't check our phones all the time if we didn't want to be connected with people. Why do we settle for the screen? I propose a simple two word phrase: look up. We are looking down so much that we don't look at each other. Choose to wait on responding to a message on a little screen and talk to the person in front of you. Pause from that group text or snapchat documenting every aspect of your life and simply live. Look up at the ever more present sun shining on campus. Look up at all the people around you. Eyes are beautiful and we don't look at them enough. Allowing people to look into the windows of our soul rather than words on a screen requires vulnerability which can be scary. But I believe it can open up a happiness no cell phone can create. Look up.

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— DARTY — STYLE GUIDE

It's final-ly warm, sunny and hasn't snowed since Wednesday. Time to celebrate in quintessential Notre Dame spring fashion, fashionably. To help you plan out your weekend day party — "darty" — outfits, we have compiled some trends we've seen taking over the runwa — driveways.

Bucket hat

Why anybody would willingly put something with the word "bucket" in it on their heads is unclear to me, but apparently the male student body does not suffer from the same predicament. The hats are reminiscent of something your mom would have made you wear as a child. For example, she gives you the option of slathering up in sunscreen or putting on a bucket hat at the beach. In lieu of being sticky, you choose the hat, but regret the decision after getting picked on.

Bro tank

Bros. Bro tanks. Bros in tanks. Bros in bro tanks. They're everywhere. Even my inbox. Sport your Mendoza bro tank that whoever writes the incessant emails calls "an awesome and stylish trend" and support the system.

Croakies

In the words of Steve Irwin and the majority of Notre Dame males, "Crickey! I love Croakies." Croakies are an essential way to express how #unique you are in your casual wear. Be sure to choose your print carefully: do you want to go for the patriotic American flag aesthetic? Tie-dye to prove you're pretty chill? Or camo for some reason I could never fathom. Unless you are actually going hunting, then I guess that is fathomable. Pair your Croakies with some glasses you got for free at Domerfest — you don't want to lose such a sentimental heirloom. P.S.A. please do not pair Croakies with transition lenses these glasses should not be prevented from falling from your head to their imminent muddy demise.

Sundress

As an article of clothing conducive to things such as frolicking and twirling, sundresses cannot receive enough hype. Bust out your favorite and luxuriate in its power.

Chubbies

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Ray-Ban sunglasses

In the words of the uber-relevant SUB concert throwback B.o.B, "she want them Ray-Bans," If that "she" is a Notre Dame or Saint Mary's student at a darty, then yes, she does want - and probably has -Ray-Bans.

Fanny pack

Baby got pack. The fanny pack is vital, as you will most likely be wearing a comfortable but pocketless sundress. Store your phone, student ID and six bucks alongside other darty essentials: GU energy gels, crayons and your TI-84. Make sure the

Boat Shoes

So you're at a darty — what could be better? I'll tell you what could be better; getting invited to leave the darty to go on someone's private yacht. But wait, you can't hop on that opportunity unless you're wearing boat shoes. Oh wait, you're a Notre Dame male so you are always wearing boat shoes and therefore perpetually ready to hop on a yacht. Make sure to pair them with Nike Elite mid-calf socks, just for funz.

Chubbies. The name should act as a warning that there is a very limited number of people who actually look presentable in these obnoxiously-printed or so-bright-they're-blinding short-shorts. Chubbies, please don't.

print reflects something you care about; a classic example is the flag of whatever country you studied abroad in.

High-top Converse

Just as Miley campaigns for mini skirts with Jordans, high tops seem to be the footwear of choice for darties. Keeping toes covered and safe from mud while proving you're #sporty, Converse has become a Notre Dame and Saint Mary's staple.



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BERGAMOT

at NOTRE DAME

By ERIN McAULIFFE Scene Editor

From South Bend to South by Southwest, The Bergamot's music spans states and genres.

South Bend natives Jillian Speece and Nathaniel Paul Hoff of "indie pop/rock/ folk" band The Bergamot are performing at DeBartolo Performing Arts Center on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

I spoke with Jillian and Nathaniel, who are now married and live in Brooklyn, in separate phone interviews Wednesday.

As musicians who first took on the South Bend music scene (if you could call it that) back in 2003, they were both excited about the progress and development it has seen. With venues like The Pool and The Birdsell Mansion attracting students and community members to engage in the local arts, and initiatives like The Bridge Project and Sounds by South Bend contributing to that fervor, the South Bend music scene is thriving — and in stark contrast to the musicians' memories of early gigs.

The first show the two played together was at a loft in Francesco's, an Italian restaurant near Marian High School.

"There wasn't really any place to play [in South Bend] besides Fiddler's Hearth - and that was mostly for Celtic bands," Jillian said. "So Nathan talked to the owner [at Francesco's] and told him that he would bring out a lot of teenagers and their parents to eat at the restaurant and charge a cover so he could pay the owner."

With entrepreneurial enthusiasm like this at only 17 and 15, Nathaniel and Jillian have always been believers in a "brute force" tactic. It is this mindset and work ethic that has taken them from greasy South Bend restaurants to venues like The Brooklyn Bazaar.

Excited to play again in South Bend, this time in a state-of-the-art facility, The Bergamot have been through 13 three-hour rehearsals and a few live shows in preparation for Saturday's concert.

Statements like those should inspire you to get out and hear live music. However, if you are "busy," studying preemptively or planning to give in to your eight-year-old self's begging to go and see Jesse McCartney play the SUB

concert Saturday, you can check out their self-proclaimed "indie or alternative pop, rock and folk sound with jazz influences" on YouTube or their website. However, be wary of streaming their music.

The Scene staff has addressed streaming and its influence on, and sometimes exploitation of, indie bands. To be honest, Spotify was the first place I went to listen to The Bergamot, but front man Nathaniel has been working on an art piece exploring that very industry.

Titled "kNOw Spotify," the piece explores the dynamic of big name artists, "the one-percent," who benefit from streaming while the other 99-percent come away with micropennies.

"We get statements from Spotify and for 500 plays we make like .0038 pennies," Nathaniel said. "I love the exposure, and it's a great concept, but it seems a little lopsided to me."

He encourages listeners to do their research on streaming and make an informed decision on whether that is how they want to experience music and support musicians.

"The project isn't about "no" as in emcaulif@nd.edu

N-O, it's more "know" based on educating yourself on the services," Nathaniel said. "I understand, as an independent musician, that our album will go up on Spotify because we don't have a choice, like Taylor Swift, to make a stand. But I do believe there is no reason to ever pay somebody in micropennies — it's just insulting."

Support The Bergamot, independent artists, the South Bend music scene and live music with your full dollars (15 for students) Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

Extend your experience and get your "Scene in South Bend" on by eating at Rocco's, The Bergamot's favorite local restaurant, beforehand.

"Our first hangout of all time was at Rocco's," Jillian said. "We had our high school graduation parties there, birthdays there, we even had our wedding rehearsal dinner there. The Julius Special salad is our favorite and we always order a classic cheese pizza with extra marinara sauce."

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By MADDIE DALY

ter, friends of boyfriends, flirting and from other popular yet predominately in several episodes of "CollegeHumor decorating." The girls really cover all the bases, making for a great guidebook for all different types of women. "Guy Code" follows a similar format, and each episode always features a few of the "Girl Code" girls in addition to the male comedians.

watching sports" to "The morning af- which is definitely a refreshing change list of TV series and shorts. She's been

Originals," a series similar to "Girl Code" except with mostly college-focused content, obviously. She nails any sketch involving crude humor, holding back absolutely nothing. She would be the friend you could come talk to about even the most disgusting, awkward and personal things, because she would be brutally honest and hilarious at the same time. This Friday, come out to Legends at 10 p.m. to see Nicole Byer live in all her greatness. Students can get in free with a valid Notre Dame, Saint Mary's or Holy Cross ID. I can only imagine how her raunchy, inappropriate humor will translate over to a Catholic college campus setting.

If you've ever seen an episode of MTV's "Girl Code" (or "Guy Code" for that matter), you should be ecstatic about the guest comedian coming this Friday to Legends, courtesy of SUB. Nicole Byer is one of the show's most hilarious comedians, and she is sure to bring plenty of laughs to Notre Dame this weekend.

If you're unaware, "Girl Code" and "Guy Code" are comedy shows that feature young, up-and-coming comedians talking about topics that we 20-somethings face in our everyday lives. The show can get raunchy at times, as it addresses some of the more awkward moments of our lives, but the comedians hilariously share their personal experiences with absolutely no shame. To get an idea, episode titles range from "Dieting, vacations, neediness and

Perhaps one of the most effective aspects of the show is the diversity of the females (and sometimes males) featured. The women are all different shapes, sizes, hair colors and personalities, so that any girl watching can have someone they at least somewhat relate to. Byer is loud, curly-haired and overweight — something she very much embraces, using her curves to her advantage in all situations. She is also one of the many African-American comedians on the show; "Girl Code" is pretty racially diverse as far as TV shows go,

white shows.

Now, "Girl Code" is not by any means the only thing on Byer's plate. She moved from New York to Los Angeles to pursue her comedy career, and since then she has lengthened her bio quite a bit. Byer has appeared on several famous shows, namely "30 Rock," "Late Night with Jimmy Fallon," "Adult Swim," "Chelsea Lately" and, according to her MTV bio, a Nestlé commercial that only runs in Israel. In addition, she has been performing improv at the Upright Citizens Brigade Theatre since 2010, and she does sketch comedy at UCB Sunset on Maude Night. She has been on countless improv and sketch teams since her arrival in L.A., helping improve her performances as well as meet other similarly hilarious people.

Byer has also been featured in a long

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

Local's guide to **Kentucky Derby**

Tyler Wojciak Sports Writer

There truly is nothing like it. Every year during the first Saturday of May, 20 threeyear-old thoroughbreds race the length of 1 1/4 miles around a dirt track in "the most exciting two minutes in sports."

The beautiful Churchill Downs racetrack hosts around 165,000 spectators each year to watch the event, and roughly 15 million more people will tune in on their televisions.

The Kentucky Derby, an event oozing with tradition, attracts the finest visitors from all around the world every year and is an essential item on the bucket list for anyone who is a fan of sport. From the bugler piping out "Call to the Post" to the singing of "My Old Kentucky Home" to the garland of roses draped over the winning horse, few spectacles in sports match the Derby.

As it has become a tradition for many college students to venture to Louisville, Kentucky, every year for the Derby, I feel it is my duty as a local to tell you a few things you need to know about the Run for the Roses.

I must first say, however, I was actually not born in Louisville. My love for the Derby was not simply something I inherited at birth, but rather adopted when I made the move from Cleveland to Louisville at 11 years old. At first I had absolutely no interest in a bunch of horses running on dirt (something I'm sure a lot of you still feel), but my mind instantly changed after my first experience at Churchill Downs.

The first order of business is the dress code. The basic guideline here is the more expensive your ticket, the more formal your outfit. With that said, it is still the Kentucky Derby. If you choose to pay \$50 for the general admission ticket just to party in the infield, a button-down (you

really want to get into Derby fashion) and khaki pants is the way to go for men and a sundress for women. And ladies, wear a hat. While I may not understand why females are obsessed with derby hats, I recognize one is considered an essential piece to any woman's outfit when they attend the Derby, and you will stick out without one.

can wear seersucker if you

Second, you have to bring cash. Lots of it. Nearly everything you will want to do at Churchill Downs requires cash. Parking, drink vendors and betting all require cash payments. So take my advice and avoid being one of the many unprepared people spending their first hour at the track waiting in line at the ATM.

Lastly, don't be afraid to bet. There will be races going on all day, and rather than the 20 horses racing in the Derby, the preliminary races usually do not include more than 10 horses. Your odds are slightly better than you think, and there is still a lot of money to be made off the \$2 minimum bets. Putting just a little bit of money on the races will add some excitement to races you normally wouldn't find entertained and will keep you engaged throughout the day.

Will this be the year a horse finally wins the Triple Crown for the first time since Affirmed won the Derby, Preakness Stakes and Belmont Stakes in 1978? Will a horse break the two-minute mark at the Derby, joining Secretariat and Monarchos as the only members of this elite club? All these questions will be answered May 2. Follow my three tips, and your Kentucky Derby experience is sure to be a memorable one regardless of who wins.

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Duerson family to appeal concussion settlement

Associated Press

NFL

PHILADELPHIA ____ The family of late Pro Bowl safety Dave Duerson will appeal this week's NFL concussion settlement amid concerns it doesn't include future awards for the brain decay diagnosed after his 2011 suicide.

An appeal could hold up the settlement approved Wednesday by a federal judge in Philadelphia. The potential \$1 billion deal is designed to monitor more than 20,000 NFL retirees over 65 years and compensate those with dementia, Alzheimer's disease and other serious neurological conditions.

But the plan doesn't include future awards for chronic traumatic encephalopathy, or CTE, often called the signature disease of football.

The judge concluded CTE research is in its "infancy" and suspected early symptoms including violence, mood swings and depression shouldn't by themselves trigger awards.

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The 50-year-old Duerson, who spent most of his 10-year career with the Chicago Bears, left behind four children and a note asking that his brain be studied.

Lawyer Thomas Demetrio said the children "are pretty adamant that their father would want them to forge ahead for the benefit of these unsuspecting former players."

"They saw firsthand how mood and behavioral problems impact a man and a family," he said. "It would have been awfully nice if the NFL — who could well afford it — had allowed CTE to be compensated."

Senior U.S. District Judge Anita B. Brody, during more than two years of negotiations, persuaded the NFL to lift a \$765 million cap on the settlement fund. The NFL, with \$10 billion in annual revenue, could now spend more than \$1 billion over time, including inflation and \$112 million in lawyer fees sought by the other side.

The judge found many athletes diagnosed posthumously with CTE also had Lou Gehrig's disease, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease or dementia, which are compensated.

She rejected pleas from other NFL families that behavioral disorders such as depression be compensated.

Some experts, including Boston University's Dr. Robert Stern, who has studied CTEdamaged brains, believe they're early signs of CTErelated illness.

The judge, citing other experts, said that retired players have higher rates of sleep apnea, drug and alcohol abuse, chronic pain, high body mass and major lifestyle changes that could also be risk factors for mood disorders and suicide.

"An individual retired player would have a difficult time showing that head impacts, as opposed to any one of these other factors, explain his symptoms," the judge wrote.

Mets match history with undefeated homestand

Associated Press

NEW YORK — With a perfect ride through their first homestand, the surprising New York Mets matched the best start in team history.

Next stop, the Subway Series at Yankee Stadium and a shot at their longest winning streak ever.

Daniel Murphy drove in four runs and New York equaled a franchise record with its 11th straight victory Thursday, walking its way to a 6-3 win over the Atlanta Braves behind Bartolo Colon.

"I think it's so rewarding us starting on the other side here in this clubhouse to kind of see the fruits of the labor over the last couple years, to see guys grow," Murphy said. "And I think it's such a reward for the fans who have

the top record in the majors despite injuries to captain David Wright and several other important players, are 10-0 at Citi Field after sweeping all their NL East rivals besides heavily favored Washington.

It is the fifth time the Mets have won 11 games in a row, and the first since 1990.

"It's a huge accomplishment," manager Terry Collins said. "I'm very proud of the guys. But it's over. We're going to enjoy it tonight, but we've got to get ready. We've got a tough road trip ahead of

Series champions with a 13-3 start. That club also opened 2-3 before winning its next 11 games — and 18 of 19.

After beginning this streak April 12 in Atlanta, Colon (4-0) overcame a blister on his middle finger Thursday by throwing virtually all fastballs while pitching in short sleeves on a chilly, 49-degree afternoon. He allowed three runs over six innings to win his first four starts for the first time in his career.

Colon has struck out 23 and walked one this season, becoming the first four-game winner in the big leagues. The last starting pitcher 40 or older to open 4-0 was Roger Clemens in 2004 with Houston. "Everybody's chipping in. Everybody's doing their part," Colon said through a translator.

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The streaking Mets, with

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Murphy hit an early threerun double, and the 41-yearold Colon outpitched All-Star Julio Teheran in a matchup of unbeaten starters. New York took advantage of eight walks and tied the 1986 World



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"I've learned one thing, and that's to quit worrying about stupid things. You have four years to be irresponsible here, relax. Work is for people with jobs. You'll never remember class time, but you'll remember the time you wasted

hanging out with your friends. So stay out late. Go out with your friends on a Tuesday when you have a paper due on Wednesday. Spend money you don't have. The work never ends, but college does ... " -Tom Petty

SMC GOLF | MIAA QUALIFING

Carlson and Heffernan ready to lead SMC

By DAISY COSTELLO Sports Writer

Saint Mary's enters the second day of MIAA qualifying play in fourth Friday at Ravines Golf Club in Saugatuck, Michigan.

The Belles sit in fourth place after the first round of the tournament with an overall team score of 365. The second round of the tournament at Ravines Golf Club is a different course than the teams saw in the first round, which was played at Medalist Golf Club in Marshall, Michigan, on April 14. Belles head coach Kim Moore said she knows preparing for the Ravines will be a challenge after playing a completely different course the first time around.

"We are emphasizing using enough club to get our ball to the target, which is something that is extremely important at the Ravines," Moore said. "You cannot leave your ball short of the green and hope that it rolls up to the putting surface at this course."

The Belles were led in the

first round by sophomore Courtney Carlson, who shot an 81 on the day to end the round in sixth place individually. In a round where many golfers struggled to hit tough shots, Moore said she was happy with the way Carlson operated well under pressure.

"[Courtney] played well, and she did that by putting well, hitting more greens in regulation and getting up and down with her short game," Moore said.

Carlson and the Belles other co-captain, senior Janice Heffernan, are the leaders for Saint Mary's in postseason play, but Heffernan did not play in the first qualifying round at Medalist. Freshman Kaitlyn Cartone shot a 91 to finish 17th in the first qualifying round and second on the team.

The Belles last played the Ravines course in a conference round hosted by Hope, finishing in fourth at the meet with a 353 team score, and Moore said the squad's previous experience on the course will help some of the younger

e players.

"Both Janice and Courtney have played this course and have been helping out some of our younger players that didn't get a chance to play [the course] when we were there in the fall," Moore said.

Olivet holds the lead in MIAA qualifying after the first round with a team score of 323, followed by Hope two shots behind at 325 and Trine in third with a score of 343. Olivet was led by junior Kirsten Langer, who shot a 79 on the day. Hope sophomore Britni Gielow led all golfers on the day with a score of 76 for the first round.

Moore said the Belles need to concentrate on course management in the second round in order to dig themselves out of the 42-shot deficit they are currently in to first-place Olivet.

The Belles play the second round of the MIAA tournament at Ravines Golf Club in Saugatuck, Michigan. They are set to tee off at 1:30 p.m.

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MLB | PIRATES 5, CUBS 4

Polanco, Pirates rally for 5-4 win

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Gregory Polanco got three hits, including a go-ahead single in the seventh inning off Cubs reliever Phil Coke to lift the Pittsburgh Pirates over Chicago 5-4 on Thursday.

Josh Harrison hit his second double of the game when Cubs rookie Kris Bryant, making his first start in center field, took a roundabout path on a flyball. That set up Polanco's hit.

Sean Rodriguez hit his first home run of the season as Pittsburgh rallied from a threerun deficit to manage a split of the four-game series.

Radhames Liz (1-1) picked up his first major league win since 2008 with two innings of shutout relief. Mark Melancon worked a perfect ninth for his third save.

Chris Denorfia and Starlin Castro each had two hits for the Cubs. Rookie second baseman Addison Russell doubled in a run for the first RBI of his career.

Brian Schlitter (0-2) gave up a double to Harrison with one out in the seventh. Harrison bolted to second as he took advantage of the play by Bryant, who's normally a

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third baseman.

Coke intentionally walked pinch-hitter Corey Hart to for a lefty-lefty matchup with Polanco. With the Cubs shading him to the right side of the infield, Polanco fell behind 0-2, worked the count full and then singled.

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The bullpen did the rest. Liz allowed just one hit in two innings to win for the first time since Sept. 14, 2008, when he played for Baltimore. Pittsburgh relievers retired the last eight Chicago batters.

Melancon, who struggled while blowing a save on Tuesday, had little trouble setting down Welington Castillo, Russell and Chris Coghlan as the Pirates ended an early 10-game homestand with a 6-4 mark.

Pittsburgh starter Jeff Locke located his fastball well enough to record seven strikeouts but had issues when the Cubs managed to put the ball in play. Chicago touched him for four runs in five innings. Jonathan Herrera hit a two-run double in the second to put the Cubs in front. Locke walked in a run in the fifth but escaped without any further damage when Castro hit into a double play as Chicago went in front 4-1.

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Bulls hold off Bucks in double OT

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Derrick Rose scored 34 points, Jimmy Butler added 24 and the Chicago Bulls beat the Milwaukee Bucks 113-106 in double overtime on Thursday night to take a 3-0 lead in their Eastern Conference playoff series.

Butler got the second overtime off to a rousing start, intercepting a backcourt pass from Giannis Antetokounmpo and racing in for a layup. It set the tone for an 8-0 run that gave Chicago a 109-101 lead with 2:44 left to finally hit his second straight 3 for a 94-84 lead, rousing an often Bullsfriendly crowd. The Bradley Center at times felt like a northern outpost for Bulls fans who made the barely 90-minute drive from Chicago.

But the young Bucks didn't quit and their fans backed them up, too.

Middleton had eight points over the final 1:27 of regulation, including a floater with 10 seconds left that gave the Bucks a 95-94 lead. Rose went 1 of 2 from the free throw line, and Middleton missed a 27-footer at the other end to send the game into overtime.

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Rose atoned for a missed free throw with 4 seconds left in regulation that left the game tied. He scored six points in the second overtime, including a layup off an offensive rebound with 2:15 left for a 10-point lead.

Antetokounmpo had 25 points and Khris Middleton added 18 for Milwaukee, which went scoreless for more than 6 minutes between the first and second overtimes.

The Bulls will go for the sweep on Saturday in Game 4 in Milwaukee. No NBA team has ever come back from a 3-0 deficit to win a series.

Chicago appeared to have wrapped up the game with 2:50 left in regulation after Tony Snell It was a fitting stretch run to a wildly entertaining game featuring one of the East's standardbearers against the scrappy upstarts from Milwaukee.

Rose carried the Bulls for much of the second half, getting a big assist off the bench from Snell as Chicago built a late 10-point lead. The Bucks blew an 18-point lead in the second quarter.

It was hard to believe that Chicago trailed 49-31 with 4:03 left in the second quarter.

But the Bulls closed the half with an 18-4 spurt to get within 53-49. Former Bulls forward Scottie Pippen rooted them on courtside.



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Belles hang tough, fall to Kalamazoo

Observer Staff Report

Saint Mary's fought hard but ultimately dropped its final conference game of the season, 11-7, against Kalamazoo on Thursday night at Saint Mary's Lacrosse Fields.

The game was hotly contested from the opening draw, though the visitors managed to find the scoreboard first off a free position shot about three minutes into the game. The Belles (6-10, 2-7 MIAA) fought back quickly, though, scoring twice in a five-minute span to claim their first lead of the afternoon.

Kalamazoo (5-8, 3-4 MIAA) would strike back 30 seconds later, scoring its own pair of goals to take a 3-2 lead heading into the latter portion of the first half. Freshman midfielder Clare Theisen closed the gap for the Belles on an unassisted shot for her second goal of the evening to draw the two teams even once more.

The first half still held more in store for both teams

in terms of offense, though. Kalamazoo reclaimed its lead two minutes after Theisen's goal. They nearly controlled that lead for the remainder of the half, but sophomore attack Emilie Vanneste managed to score on an unassisted shot for her second tally of the night with just 32 seconds remaining in the half to make it a 4-4 tie.

The Belles managed to strike first in the second half as Theisen completed her hat trick four minutes into the frame and Vanneste managed two more goals on the afternoon to bring her season total to a team-leading 42. The Belles spent much of the second half on defense, though, as the visitors managed to put 12 shots on goal to the home team's nine. Of those 12 shots on goal, Kalamazoo managed to convert seven times - six unassisted — en route to their 11-7 victory.

One significant obstacle to the Belles possession game in the second half came at center field, where they



Sophomore attack Emilie Vanneste looks to pass in the 19-4 loss to Calvin on April 15 at Saint Mary's Lacrosse Fields. Vanneste had two goals and picked up a ground ball in the defeat.

struggled mightily on the draw. Kalamazoo managed to win eight of 11 draws in the frame, after the Belles held the advantage at half-time, 5-4.

The Belles did manage to cause some headaches for

their opponents late in the game, forcing 16 turnovers in the second half. However, their aggression also resulted in foul trouble, as Saint Mary's was tagged for 29 total fouls to Kalamazoo's 22.

The Belles concluded their

conference slate with a 2-7 record, relegating them to seventh in the conference. The team will hope to conclude its regular season on a high note this Saturday as it hosts Dallas at 1 p.m. at Saint Mary's Lacrosse Fields.

ROWING | DALE ENGLAND CUP

Irish head into final tuneup before ACCs

By DANIEL O'BOYLE Sports Writer

After winning Group B at the Lake Natoma Invitational two weeks ago, Notre Dame returns to the water as it travels to Lake Lemon in Bloomington, Indiana, to compete in the Dale England Cup this weekend.

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In a dual-racing, round-

Indiana and Texas both picked up race wins at the Clemson Invitational last week, and Irish head coach Martin Stone said facing teams with strong recent performances, as well as a Columbia team that has experience against difficult opponents, will make the meet a challenge.

"They're all very good," Stone said. "Indiana and Texas are ranked 11th and

12th in the country, I think, and had some very good results last week down at the Clemson invite. They're showing a lot of speed, so I think they're very good.

"Columbia's always a pretty strong program out of the Ivies, they come from a really strong rowing conference, so I think that they'll be a great opponent too."

However, despite their opponents' success, Stone said he believes his rowers' performances against even higher-ranked opposition earlier in the year should give them hope of success this weekend.

"We've had a pretty brutal race schedule," Stone said. "Every weekend we've raced somebody that's currently in the top 10, and a couple in the top five, so I think we're ready for this one, we understand what that kind of speed looks like. I think we've made progress in our last race in California, so we're excited.

"Each person needs to do her job and play her role for her team to the best of her ability. Not to try to row to anyone else's ability, just to row her best and I think if we do that we should be fine."

The Irish found some success the last time they took part in a dual-racing meet, winning six races in total against No. 1 Ohio State and Michigan State at the Big Ten/ACC Double Dual Meet on March 28 in Columbus, Ohio. Stone said the format provides the opportunity to make adjustments and this can help his team. "I really like the format," Stone said. "The dual format allows us to get multiple races in, do some stuff, learn and make changes. If it was just a one-shot field with four teams, we'd get one race and then we don't get an opportunity to assess and evaluate until the ACCs. The three-race format allows us to make some adjustments between races.

"It also follows very closely to the ACC format, with a Friday night race and a Saturday morning final, and it also follows the NCAA format, where you race multiple times over the weekend."

The Irish will begin the Dale England Cup against Indiana on Lake Lemon in Bloomington at 5 p.m. Friday afternoon. They take to the water again Saturday, starting at 9 a.m. when they take on Texas.

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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL

Three-time champs advance to semifinals

Familiar matchup between Holy Cross Seniors and The Drones highlights Friday night's matchups

By DANIEL O'BOYLE, MAREK MAZUREK and HUNTER McDANIEL Sports Writers

No. 2 Finnigans def No. 7 Team 537, 21-12

Finnigans made its mark early in the game, scoring quickly on their first possession, but Team 537 was able to match their higher-ranked opponents for a time, replying to each score to keep the game tied at 3-3.

Finnigans captain and senior Peter Sullivan said adjusting to team changes prevented his team from controlling the game early on, but in the end the players' talent shone through.

"I haven't been playing the last couple of games," said Sullivan. "We've had some new guys in, and I think we definitely started out a little slow, but we knew we were the better team and the better team won."

Finnigans soon pulled away, with its noticeable height advantage in the frontcourt allowing the team to dominate rebounds as it opened up a 7-3 lead and eventually went into the half leading 11-6.

"I think our size really helps us," Sullivan said. "We've got some big boys with big wingspans and that really helps."

Team 537, made up of Holy Cross College students, struggled to get back into the game or defend with Finnigans' height advantage, as it eventually faded to a 21-12 defeat.

"We're just some guys who like to play pickup basketball and hang out with each other, and we want to make a run at the bookstore tournament," Sullivan said.

"I'm not sure of our chances of going all the way, and of beating some of the teams here, but that's definitely the goal."

No. 3 Boil a Cardinal bigs that way."

21-18. Captain John Welsh said the key to the Cardinal Sagehen victory was defense.

"I think it starts on the defensive end," Welsh said. "We made a little run there, they got back in the game. Once we were locked in on defense, we were alright. Once we played defense, our offense comes."

The second half of the game was also marked by chippy play as an altercation erupted between the two teams after a contested rebound. Welsh said scuffles like those are just the nature of the game.

"You know, it's outdoor basketball," Welsh said. "Two teams playing hard, there's going to be some trash talking. I don't think anyone meant any harm by it."

For Cardinal Sagehen, the key to moving forward will be rebounding, Welsh said.

"Definitely rebounding," Welsh said. "We've got one guy over 6-foot-3. If we rebound and play tough D, we should be alright."

No. 1 Holy Cross Seniors def. No. 8 Little Big Boy, 21-9

The Holy Cross Seniors are no strangers to the final weekend of bookstore basketball; they are the threetime defending champions of the tournament. The Seniors rolled into the semifinals once more, defeating the Little Big Boys, 21-9, on Thursday. Holy Cross captain Zoe Bauer said he was particularly pleased with his team's defense.

"I think the key was our defense," Bauer said. "We kind of switched to a zone. We played a little man, we played a little zone. We'll probably switch back to man tomorrow night.

"Those guys were big, they're the strongest guys we've played in the tournament so far. We couldn't guard them one-on-one, we had to suck down on their Offensively, the Seniors relied heavily on jump shots throughout the game. Bauer himself made numerous long-range shots, and he said he was happy their shots were falling. "Today, obviously we hit shots," Bauer said. "We're playing outside, shots are going to fall for us. Tomorrow, it depends on the weather, we're going to have to move the ball around and get some layups."



MICHAEL YU | The Observ

Senior Cody Gilfillan of Team 43 drives around a defender during his team's quarterfinal game Thursday night at the Bookstore courts. The fifth-seeded Team 43 fell to fourth-seeded The Drones, 21-15.

game, the more relaxed we are. I think it favors us."

No. 4 The Drones def No. 5 Team 43, 21-15

The Drones pulled out a hard fought victory Thursday against both Team 43 and a vocal crowd pulling for their opponent, 21-15.

Relying on transition buckets and timely shooting, the Drones were able to keep Team 43 from ever seriously challenging them, despite the fact that Team 43 continued to shoot the ball well from long range.

The Drones used transition layups and fast break points in the first half to jump out to an early lead, but fouls and a late run from Team 43 cut the lead to 11-8 by the end of the first half. against top-seeded Holy Cross Seniors, Bradley said his team is ready for the challenge.

"It's great [to be in the final four.] It's my first time — in fact, it's all of our first times in the final four," he said. "We know that we're playing a team that hasn't lost in four years at bookstore basketball, but a couple of our guys have been teammates with most of their team. So it'll be a fun game, we're looking forward to the challenge."

Friday's Semifinals

No. 2 Finnigans vs. No. 3 Boil a Cardinal Sagehen into an Irish Cavalier, 6 p.m.

No. 1 Holy Cross Seniors vs. No. 4 The Drones, 7 p.m.

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Sagehen into an Irish Cavalier def. No. 6 Fallen Ballers, 21-18

This quarterfinal matchup started off slowly, as neither team managed to connect on their first few attempts from the field through the early possessions. After a while, the scoring started as Boil a Cardinal Sagehen into an Irish Cavalier led all of the first half and entered halftime with a 11-9 lead.

The second half stayed even until Cardinal Sagehen scored on back-to-back breakaways to take a 15-12 lead. Cardinal Sagehen closed out the game by making its free throws to win

Bauer also said his team's experience will play a big factor in their upcoming games.

"We've been in a lot of close games over our four years," Bauer said. "The closer the The second half saw much of the same, as the Drones raced out to a quick 19-12 lead as the sun was setting. Team 43 mounted a slight rally to make it 19-15, but it was too late. The Drones ultimately held on for a 21-15 victory and a spot in the final four.

"These guys beat us last year when they had (former Notre Dame captain and starter) Garrick Sherman playing with them, so we were excited for an opportunity at the rematch," Drones captain Michael Bradley said. "We came into the game confident we would win, and we got the win."

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MEN'S GOLF | ACC CHAMPIONSHIP

Irish drive for strong conference finish

By HUNTER McDANIEL Sports Writer

The Irish head to New London, North Carolina, on Friday to begin their push for an ACC championship, with the tournament taking place on the 7,102-yard, par-72 course at Old North State Country Club. The 54-hole championship will take place from Friday through Sunday this weekend.

Along with Boston College and No. 48 North Carolina State, Notre Dame will begin the championship with an 8:30 a.m. tee time Friday morning.

In their last showing, the Irish finished in 11th place at Vanderbilt's Mason Rudolph Championship at the Legends Club, where sophomore Matthew Rushton paced the team and finished in 27th place with a score of 222 (69-76-77).

The ACC boasts 10 teams in the top 50 of the GolfStat.com rankings and five in the top 30, including No. 1 Florida State, defending conference champion No. 11 Georgia Tech, No. 19 North Carolina, No. 23 Wake Forest and No. 28 Virginia, while the Irish check in at No. 155 in the national rankings. The Irish have relied on some of the younger players in

what head coach Jim Kubinski called a "transitional season." "Even players who had played some in the past were

in new roles this year, so we had some bumps in the road early on," Kubinski said. "It's exciting, though, to see the evidence of our players improving in recent weeks. We didn't have a senior in the lineup over the two-tournament spring break.

"We had a sophomore [Blake Barens] and freshman [Thomas Steve] lead us [at the Tails Park Challenge] in Naples. In fact, Blake had an opportunity going to his last hole of the tournament to set his career-best score three days in a row over break. I don't think we've ever had a player set his personal best on three straight days. The development of Blake and Thomas, with Matt Rushton's strong play over our fall season and bookending break with a 69 to start in San Diego and finish in Naples shows the progress of our young guys."

All season long, Notre

KEVIN SONG | The Observer Junior Zach Toste follows through on a swing at the Notre Dame Kickoff Challenge at Warren Golf Course on Aug. 31. Toste competed unattached in the individual draw and shot a 20-over-par 162.

Dame's team has featured predominantly underclassmen. This weekend is no different, with the five players teeing it up at the ACC championship being Rushton, Steve, Barens, as well as junior Cory Sciupider and senior Tyler Wingo.

With arguably the stiffest competition in the country meeting in New London, the young Irish will have their work cut out for them, but they will use the experience as something to build on for the coming season starting in the fall, Kubinski said.

A season ago, the Irish posted a seventh-place finish in their first-ever appearance in the ACC championship.

This year's edition of the ACC championship will tee off Friday morning at 8:30 a.m. at Old North State Country Club in New London, North Carolina.

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North Carolina will provide a challenging litmus test for her team.

"They're the perfect team for us to see right before postseason," she said. "I love seeing a team like that because we'll have to be ready to go, and we have to be playing really good ball [for the ACC tournament], and that's exactly what we want to be doing [this weekend]."

The Irish, however, have a lot of momentum already. Since a 12-0 win against the conference leading No. 10 Florida State on March 15, Notre Dame has been 24-0, outscoring opponents 204-39 in that stretch.

However, Gumpf said the streak is secondary to the overall goals she has for the team and the Irish feels no added pressure to keep winning.

"We don't really look forward, honestly," she said. "A lot of people are talking about it. I could care less about it because all that matters is the next game. The win streak is great and everything, but it doesn't matter. All that matters is how we play tomorrow, and the next day. It's great, and I'm happy, but it's something that I don't focus on, and I hope the girls don't either."

Sophomore outfielder



CHRIS COLLINS | The Observer

Freshman infielder Morgan Reed starts her swing in a 13-0 win over Georgia Tech on March 21 at Melissa Cook Stadium.

3-for-3 in the game with a home run and three RBIs against Toledo, has been a key contributor for Notre Dame during the streak, with a .444 average and a team-high 52 runs scored. Senior infielder Katey Haus powers the team at the plate, leading the Irish in

Karley Wester, who was home runs (11), doubles (13) and extra-base hits (25).

> The Irish will take on the Tar Heels in a three-game set at Melissa Cook Stadium, with matchups Saturday at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. and Sunday at noon.

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Senior right-hander Scott Kerrigan moves towards home during Notre Dame's 4-2 loss to North Carolina State on Saturday.

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home, compared to a 7-11 mark on the road.

Although a few minor injuries have mixed up the Irish pitching staff, it has been for the most part lights out in its past two ACC series against Florida State and North Carolina State, suffering just a single loss and giving up only 10 runs over the last six conference games.

The pitching lineup this weekend will have sophomore right-hander Ryan Smoyer going Friday, freshman righthander Brandon Bielak on Saturday and most likely junior right-hander Nick McCarty on Sunday, Aoki said. Smoyer is

6-0 on the season with a 2.11 ERA, Bielak is 4-1 with a 3.34 ERA, and McCarty has a 5-3 record with a 2.78 ERA.

Although the ACC standings are cramped and an important weekend is coming up for his team, Aoki said nothing changes in Notre Dame's game plan.

"Same mindset," Aoki said. "We've got to play each game pitch by pitch and do the very best we can and at the end of the day we'll look up and hopefully we've got more runs on the scoreboard than they do."

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Senior outfielder Robert Youngdahl offers at a pitch Saturday during Notre Dame's doubleheader against North Carolina State.

W Lacrosse CONTINUED FROM PAGE 24 many different things for us;

getting the three draw controls, forcing turnovers, winning ground balls," Halfpenny said.

At the other end of the field, Notre Dame was led by sophomore goalkeeper Liz O'Sullivan, who made 12 saves on 18 goal-bound Cavalier shots to help the Irish secure the victory.

"She saw the ball really well, and I think she'll be the first to tell you it was a big day," Halfpenny said. "... Any day you're making double-digit saves is a big day, and any day you're making 12 saves in the ACC tournament against a team with revenge on their minds, that's huge."

And while O'Sullivan's 12 saves stand out for Notre Dame, Halfpenny said her defense's effort helped the Irish goalkeeper out and sparked the offense in the process.

"You've also got to credit our defense on giving Liz the shots she wanted to see," Halfpenny said. "Our unit in front of her is so mature and so strong.

"It was just a tremendous day down there and the more shots they made, the more saves Liz made, the more our offense was fueled and that's where we really saw them come alive in the final 10 minutes of the game."

After the two teams sparred for the game's first 45 minutes — the game was tied 3-3 with just over 15 minutes left — the Notre Dame offense came alive late, scoring four times in 10 minutes to take a 7-4 lead.

Sophomore attack Heidi Annaheim scored to put the Irish ahead for the third time with 15:06 to play in the game, before a free-position goal from junior midfielder Stephanie Toy gave the Irish a two-goal lead with 10:24 left.

After the Cavaliers (11-6, 4-3) answered to cut the lead back to one, a pair of goals from junior attack Rachel Sexton put the Irish ahead three with 5:16 left.

From there, Virginia scored twice more, but could not overcome Notre Dame's lead before time expired.

The win was Notre Dame's second this year over the Cavaliers in Charlottesville, Virginia; the Irish won 14-4 on April 4.

"It just so happens these games have landed at a time when we have been focused and ready to go and in mustwin situations," Halfpenny said.

Notre Dame will get another crack at No. 2 North Carolina on Friday in an ACC tournament semifinal.

The Tar Heels (14-2, 6-1) won the regular-season contest, 9-8, at Arlotta Stadium on March 29. In that matchup, the Irish fell behind 7-1 in the first half before rallying to tie the game, 8-8, with just a few minutes remaining.

Halfpenny said her team must concentrate on playing its own style, not getting caught up playing the topseeded team in the field.

"We need to come out, play our game, focus on us and get to the next play when things don't go our way," she said. "We've really got to buy into playing this tough, grinding, getting down-and-dirty style of lacrosse that we're good at."

Notre Dame and North Carolina will take to the Klockner Stadium turf in Charlottesville, Virginia, on Friday at 1 p.m. for their ACC tournament semifinal.

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Notre Dame's man-up offense, which ranks second in the country at 62.1 percent.

Alternatively, the Irish mandown defense ranks fifth to last in all of Division I lacrosse at a meager 51.9 percent. Corrigan chalks up his team's struggles in that area to youth.

"It's an area where we have to get better, no doubt about it," Corrigan said. "Anytime you've got a young group in the mandown situation. ... It takes a lot of understanding, communication and cooperation, and younger groups just tend to be a little behind in that."

That man-down group will have a tough task ahead of it trying to quiet a Duke offense that scores at the fifth highest clip in the nation, averaging 14.71 goals per game. The Blue Devils are led by junior midfielder Myles Jones, who has racked up 35 goals and 65 points, both tops among all midfielders nationally. Freshman attack Justin Guterding (41 goals, 56 points) and junior midfielder Deemer Class (32 goals, 47 points) form a strong supporting cast. Corrigan said his familiarity with Duke's players and style of play was an immense help during game planning.

"With a shorter week of preparation ... and the end of the year academically and everything else, it's nice to know that our preparation is a little bit easier," Corrigan said. "It's an adjustment off of what we were trying to do the first time we played them, which was just a few weeks ago."

The Irish do not, however, have much familiarity with sophomore midfielder Kyle Rowe, who played sparingly against Notre Dame but has had success recently as the Blue Devils' primary option for faceoffs. Rowe has won 84 percent of his draws over the last two games, supplanting his older brother senior Jack Rowe, who took 23 of 29 draws the last time these two teams met.

The Irish will counter with a platoon of their own, trotting out sophomore faceoff specialist P.J. Finley (82 for 151, 54.3 percent) while spelling him with freshman John Travisano, Jr. (14 for 25, 56 percent) and senior Nick Ossello (34 for 81, 42 percent).



EMILY McCONVILLE | The Observe

Junior attack Matt Kavanagh protects the ball from a North Carolina defender. The Irish defeated the Tar Heels on Saturday, 15-14.

at this point," Corrigan said.

Notre Dame and Duke will clash tonight at 5:30 p.m. in the ACC tournament semifinals at PPL Park in Chester, Pennsylvania. The winner will play in the championship Sunday at 1 p.m. against either Syracuse or North Carolina.

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AMY ACKERMANN | The Observer

Sophomore attack Cortney Fortunato cradles the ball in Sunday's 10-8 loss to Louisville. Fortunato had four goals in the defeat.

"We'll continue to mix it up," Corrigan said. "I think that's part of making sure that we are effective in that area of the game."

No matter who is taking faceoffs for Notre Dame, it will be important to keep the momentum they currently have going into the NCAA tournament, Corrigan said. That is what worked last year, when the squad went from being a bubble team to ripping off six straight victories and making it to the NCAA final before losing to Duke, 11-9. "The stakes aren't quite what

they were last year, but we don't want to take any steps backward

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Happy Birthday: Make plans that will help you reach your goal. Don't let anyone sidetrack you or involve you in costly ventures that will waste your time and money. Be creative and come up with your own ideas and plans. Search for destinations, courses and networking functions that deal with the subjects, interests and industries that interest you most. Put yourself first. Your numbers are 4, 17, 23, 27, 32, 41, 46.

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Birthday Baby: You have charm, compassion and understanding. You are sensitive and imaginative.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Emotional matters will escalate if you are inconsistent or unpredictable. Try to keep an even, peaceful temperament to avoid an adverse response. Put more effort into activities that challenge you mentally and physically. \bigstar

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be careful not to let your entertaining and social mood lead to costly adventures. Pleasure trips will enhance love and romance, but also put you in debt. Good opportunities will arise through communication and patience. ****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Look for new ways to use your talents. Opportunities are apparent if you are willing to explore new avenues. Believe in your potential. A change at home will bring you greater freedom to do the things you enjoy. Love will take a serious turn.★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't let moodiness ruin your day. Let go of regrets and don't hold grudges. Do what you can to help others, and learn from whatever experience you gain and information you are given. Positive, progressive action will bring stellar results. $\star\star\star$

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Keep your intentions and professional strategy a secret from your colleagues. If you let too many people in on what you are doing, you will face stiff competition. Hone your skills, gain knowledge and prepare to forge ahead with your plans.★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You have plenty to contribute, so don't hold back. Share your wisdom and make suggestions. Thoughts followed by actions will lead to your success and encourage unexpected and unusual partnerships. Don't hesitate; make your way to where the action is. $\star \star \star \star$

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Problems due to an emotional incident will leave you feeling like you need a change. Do something that makes you feel good about yourself personally and professionally. Romance is on the rise, along with greater security and stability. **

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You will have a greater interest in cultural differences and traditions. Check out your family tree or plan a visit to re-establish family ties. Let your intuition lead the way in helping you explore new possibilities and lifestyles. Speak from the heart.****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Live, learn and prepare to make changes that will improve your life. A new residence or rearranging your furniture to make room for a new pursuit will lead to good fortune. Open your heart to someone special.★★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Live a little. Invite friends or colleagues to enjoy a little downtime with you. Turn your home into a place where you can relax and discuss future plans. Much can be accomplished if you use empathy, understanding and compassion to get your way. $\star\star\star$

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Make personal changes that won't affect anyone but you, and you will avoid an argument or interference. Someone will blow situations out of proportion if given the chance. Keep your thoughts and plans private for the time being. $\star\star\star$

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Get ready to have some fun. Reconnect with old friends, share your ideas and look at your options concerning your professional position and the opportunities that exist. A positive change to the way you live will boost your morale.★★★★★

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BASEBALL

Notre Dame starts quest to defend ACC tourney title

By BRIAN PLAMONDON Sports Writer

After wrapping up its first Atlantic Coast Conference regular season title, No. 1 Notre Dame will look to repeat as ACC tournament champions this weekend when it opens against No. 6 Duke on Friday night in the semifinals.

The Irish (9-1, 4-0 ACC), winners of six straight, and Blue Devils (10-4, 1-3 ACC) met fewer than three weeks ago, with Notre Dame rolling to a 15-10 victory in Durham, North Carolina. That game saw the Irish lead for all 60 minutes, sparked by hat tricks from sophomore midfielder Sergio Perkovic and the starting attack of freshman Mikey Wynne, junior Matt Kavanagh and senior Conor Doyle. That kind of offensive depth will be key moving forward for Notre Dame, head coach Kevin Corrigan said.

"We've got a lot of guys who can score," Corrigan said. "More importantly, a lot of guys that can score



Senior attack Conor Doyle looks to pass in Notre Dame's 15-14 win against North Carolina on Saturday at Arlotta Stadium.

and nobody that cares if they do. We're a very opportunistic team, and we do a great job taking advantage of what people are giving up, because with a team like ours you can't take away everything."

Each of those four

— Wynne, Kavanagh, Doyle and Perkovic — have eclipsed the 20-goal mark this season, making it hard for defenses to focus in on any one player. All four are also crucial components of

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Squad seeks to improve standing

By ISAAC LORTON Senior Sports Writer

There's no catching Louisville at this point for the Atlantic Division crown, even with three conference series left, but the Irish will head to Wake Forest this weekend looking to move up a couple of spots in the standings.

Notre Dame (27-13, 11-10 ACC) currently sits in fourth place in the division, right behind Clemson (11-9) and Florida State (14-7). The Irish, however, are followed closely by North Carolina State (9-11), Boston College (9-11) and Wake Forest (23-19, 9-12), who sits in last place in the Atlantic. One weekend could change the whole bottom half of the division, Irish head coach Mik Aoki said.

"We're all jammed in there," Aoki said. "Everybody could get on a little bit of a hot streak and get going on this thing. We've just got to keep grinding along, being the best we can be, and at the end of the year trust that

that's going to put us where we want to be."

Despite being in last place, the Demon Deacons swing the bat well, Aoki said, and Wake Forest Baseball Park favors their home run hitters. Sophomore infielder Will Craig leads the Deacons with a .401 batting average and 12 home runs while fellow sophomore infielder Nate Mondou is not far behind, with a .363 average and nine home runs.

"They swing the bat, they're very offensive," Aoki said. "... They play well in their ballpark; it suits their team. It's a hitter-friendly park, so our pitching staff will have to go out there and do a good job competing against it, and maybe we can take advantage of a nice hitting park at the same time."

The Demon Deacons offense is deep as well: six Demon Deacon batters with more than 100 at bats have an average above .300. The team's overall average is .303. The Deacons are 14-8 at

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SOFTBALL

Still rolling, ND hosts UNC

By ANDREW ROBINSON Sports Writer

Notre Dame's spotless 17-0 home record, as well as its 24game win streak, will be on the line this weekend when the team takes on conference rival North Carolina in a three-game set at Melissa Cook Stadium.

shortstop Kristen Brown leads the ACC and is tied for fourth in the NCAA with 21 home runs on the season.

"They're a really good hitting team," Irish head coach Deanna Gumpf said. "They're probably one of the best hitting teams, not only in the conference, but in the country, so we have to do a good job with keeping them off balance. We have to do a good job making them hit pitches we want them to hit, [and] not so much them hitting our mistakes."

Irish defeat Virginia in ACC tournament

By ALEX CARSON Associate Sports Editor

On a day where senior defender Barbara Sullivan and sophomore attack Cortney Fortunato were named two of the 25 Tewaarton Trophy nominees, No. 11 Notre Dame defeated No. 5 Virginia in the quarterfinals of the ACC tournament, 7-6. While it was a quiet day on the scoresheet for the duo — Fortunato, Notre Dame's leading scorer, managed just one assist — it was an influential one in possession, where Sullivan and Fortunato led an effort that saw the Irish (10-7, 3-4 ACC) control 12 of 15 draws, including all but one in the second half. "I think that Barbara Sullivan was a key player in today's game," Irish head coach Christine Halfpenny said. "Having the ability to win the draw both clean as well as to get the ball to our side where we can really



The No. 24 Irish (38-11, 16-5 ACC) are in third place in the ACC and are coming off a convincing 11-1 win over Toledo on Wednesday, in which a balanced offense caught fire for a seven-run fourth inning to run away with a five-inning victory.

The Irish will have a chance to take advantage of their momentum and leapfrog the secondplace Tar Heels (34-11, 15-4) if they can win at least two of the three games this weekend.

Overcoming North Carolina will be no easy task though; the Tar Heels have one of the most high-powered offenses in the NCAA, notching 82 home runs on the year compared to Notre Dame's 49. Tar Heels junior Despite a strong record and a strong offense, North Carolina has struggled on the road this season, with just a 6-7 record away from Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Meanwhile, Notre Dame is undefeated at Melissa Cook Stadium.

With the postseason fast approaching — the Irish have just one game against Michigan State remaining after this weekend before the ACC tournament begins May 7 — Gumpf said

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Sophomore midfielder Alex Dalton protects the ball from a Louisville defender in Notre Dame's 10-8 loss Sunday.

battle out for it. ... Barbara had five of those by herself but was able to get it obviously on our side of the field, and that's where Cortney came in big on a day where maybe they did do a good job of limiting her looks at the cage." Fortunato — who controlled three draws for Notre Dame — had a strong allaround effort on the day, Halfpenny said.

"Cortney obviously did so

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