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Community gathers in response to sexual assault

Campus leaders respond to allegations of sexual misconduct over the weekend in prayer service at the Grotto

By SELENA PONIO News Writer

Last night, student body president Bryan Ricketts and vice president Nidia Ruelas led a prayer service at the Grotto due to the recent recurring appearance of crime Ruelas said. "What's imporalert emails in every Notre tant for you to carry on from Dame student's inbox. This past weekend, Notre Dame tion does not end here. It is Security Police (NDSP) sent two out emails reporting three separate allegations of sexual misconduct.

service by talking about Lyons Hall, gave a reflecthe various ways students could get involved on campus to raise awareness on

sexual awareness. She suggested GreenDot training, a program run by an organization that aims to implement strategies of violence prevention in certain communities.

"Get involved, sign up," today is that the conversaup to us to make sure that we end sexual violence on this campus."

Rose Walsh, a senior and Ruelas began the prayer resident assistant (RA) in tion and talked about her

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ROSIE BIEHL | The Observer

Students gather at the Grotto to pray, reflect and demonstrate their commitment to ending sexualt assault on campus in a service led by student government.

Students join clubs, explore groups at **Activities Night**



KATHYRNE ROBINSON | The Obse Members of the Black Cultural Arts Council manage a booth at Activities Night to highlight their work and attract new students.

Galvin takes over as dean

By EMMA BORNE News Writer

In the third grade, Dr. Mary Galvin said, she was told that she was not college material; last month, she succeeded Dr. Gregory Crawford as the William K. Warren Foundation Dean of the College of Science.

A chemistry major who spent her undergraduate career at Manhattanville

York, Galvin said she tried graduate school for chemistry but left and decided to study polymers and materials science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Though her interest in science began in high school, she said MIT cultivated her love for the subject, specifically for materials.

College in Purchase, New realized science was very interdisciplinary," Galvin said. "It involved communicating with people, going to meetings. ... I liked that aspect of science that people are unaware of. You really meet people from across the globe, and science unites you."

> Galvin said her favorite aspect of science is that it is

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"It was ... at MIT that I

SMC hosts prayer service

By ALAINA ANDERSON News Writer

Pope Francis recently innounced that beginning this year, the Catholic Church will observe Sept. 1 as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. On Tuesday, Saint Mary's Campus Ministry held an ecumenical prayer service blessing the Unity Garden on the south side of Havican Hall in observance of this event.



By CATHERINE OWERS Associate News Editor

More than 1,400 students stormed into the Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center (JACC) for Activities Night in the first 15 minutes of the event, student activities program coordinator Mia James said. Activities Night is hosted by the Student Activities Office (SAO) every fall to allow new and

returning students the opportunity to join clubs and organizations on campus and in

the South Bend community. "It's so important to get connected to your campus and the community outside," James said at the event. "It's a true showing of how involved Notre Dame students want to be, that it's been 37 minutes, and we're flooded with

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Megan Zwart, assistant

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Saint Mary's faculty and students celebrate the World Day of Prayer in Unity Garden on the south side of Havican Hall.





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What should the seniors throwat the last football game instead of marshmallows?



Santiago Martinez senior off campus

"I really like marshmallows. It's like the last winter for the seniors."

Nick Korompilas sophomore Alumni Hall "Plates from the dining hall."





Kerry McCarter sophomore Ryan Hall "Hundred-dollar bills."

Michael Schrock

"Rotten tomatoes."

sophomore

Alumni Hall

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Clare Tennant sophomore Lewis Hall "Strawberries."



Bridget Hoyt, curator of education, academic programs, at the Snite Museum of Art, teaches students about a recent acquisition, the Tale Teller VI (2014), by sculptor Jaume Plensa, as part of the monthly Snite Salon Series at the museum.

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Corrections

In the Aug. 31 issue of The Observer, a graphic incorrectly stated that tickets for the conversation with Sonia Sotomayor would be available all day Wednesday. Tickets will be available starting at 6 p.m. Wednesday.

THE NEXT FIVE DAYS:

Wednesday Thursday

Conversation with Justice Sotomayor 7 p.m.-8:15 p.m. DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Public conversation.

Workshop with Artist Tom Bartel Riley Hall of Art and Design 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Open art workshop.

Changing Mindset Hesburgh Center for International Studies 4 p.m.-5 p.m. Lecture with Guatemalan ambassador.

Artful Yoga Snite Museum of Art 4 p.m.-5 p.m. Yoga among Transitory Waterscapes exhibition.

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Friday

Hesburgh Library 4 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Memorial lecture by Christopher Morash.

Men's Soccer vs. USF Alumni Stadium 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Irish take on USF in Mike Berticelli

Memorial Tournament.

Football vs. Texas Notre Dame Stadium 7:30 p.m.-11 p.m. Irish take on the Longhorns in the first game of the season.

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Saturday

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Changing American Voter in 2016 Snite Museum of Art

4 p.m.-5 p.m. Part of Saturday Scholars Series.

Sunday

Men's Soccer

Alumni Stadium 2 p.m.-4 p.m. Notre Dame vs. University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Rejoice! Mass

Dillon Hall 8 p.m.-9 p.m. Mass rooted in the African American tradition.

McDonald Center for Student Well-Being opens

By ABIGAIL PIPER News Writer

This semester, the University officially opened the Rev. James E. McDonald, C.S.C., McDonald Center for Student Well-Being in Saint Liam Hall. The facility, known as McWell for short, was endowed last year by a \$10 million gift from 1979 alumnus Mark Gallogly and his wife, Lise Strickler.

Hogan Stewart, Kellv Director of the McDonald Center, said the center aims to increase the well-being of campus as a whole.

"We are prevention, not treatment," Stewart said. "So treatment is more about putting back together what may have become fragmented,

broken or fractured. Wellbeing is really about increasing a person's capacity and their ability-thriving."

Stewart said the center, housed at 204 Saint Liam Hall, hopes to positively impact the campus through the implementation of its mission and the scope of its vision. She cited "wellness enhancement" and "risk reduction" as key elements in increasing well-being for college students, who are at an imperative time in their lives in terms of learning how be well. She said the new center's

current priority is gaining recognition on campus through pushes like engaging students with creative events and programs throughout the year.

"We're doing things like pet love, wellness expos or a spinoff cash cab," she said.

Beyond events, Stewart said the center will work to provide students with resources to pursue well-being.

"A truly robust health promotion department on any college campus is very connected to many resources, whether it be the academy, the community, any other departments within student affairs, so that could include a variety of departments like RecSports, the Gender Relations Center, MSPS," Stewart said.

Moving beyond the walls of Saint Liam, well-being commissioners within the residential halls will address the wellness needs of their own

dorms and promote the mission of the center, Stewart said.

"It really is our opportunity to provide services and resources directly into the residential halls," Stewart said. "The commissioners will be the point people and engage with our department as another avenue for students to tell us what they need in their residential communities."

Stewart said that in order for the center to be successful, students need to know how health promotion functions and works with students and other factors that affect health dynamics at Notre Dame.

"The way I explain what is health promotion is it's really making the healthier choice the easier choice. It's

allowing people to live balanced within an imbalanced life," Stewart said.

The McDonald Center for Student Well-Being is looking to change the way Notre Dame addresses health and in effect change how students here address health for the rest of their lives, she said.

"In the United States, our health care system and our mindset is structured to focus on the broken and then they think the absence of being broken is health," Stewart said. "But that's just one piece of it. High quality health and well-being is actually living a life which is filled with flourishing and thriving."

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Saint Mary's athletics takes home academic honors

By OLIVIA JACSON News Writer

Six Saint Mary's varsity teams and 49 individuals were recognized by the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) for outstanding academics in the 2014-2015 school year, the College announced in a press release. The release said six of the College's eight varsity teams were recognized - volleyball, basketball, tennis, soccer, cross country and softball.

Director of Athletics Julie Schroeder-Biek said this is the most teams in one year that she can remember being recognized.

"We often have had three or

four teams, but this is something that we are especially proud of," Schroeder-Biek said.

Schroeder-Biek said a team must have a year-end cumulative grade point average of 3.3 or higher, and an individual must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher to be recognized.

"The reason [these athletes] are here at Saint Mary's College is to pursue a quality college education, and we cannot lose sight of that," Schroeder-Biek said. "As NCAA Division III student-athletes, our philosophy supports balance between athletics, academics and full integration into their college experience. Our athletes need to achieve in the classroom in

order to have the opportunity to compete in their sport."

Senior basketball player and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee president Krista Knapke said being involved in athletics has taught her the value of time management.

"Balancing schoolwork and athletics can seem overwhelming at times, but it is very rewarding when you are able to find some level of success in both areas," Knapke said. "The number of student-athletes at Saint Mary's who received this recognition shows just how valued academics are within the athletic program."

Schroeder-Biek said the MIAA recognition supports the mission of the College.

"[Athletes] excel academically while also developing their talent as they prepare to make a difference in the world," she said.

Knapke said the community in the athletic program helps students excel.

"There are always teammates, coaches, staff and additional resources available to provide academic assistance when needed," she said.

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Expert panel offers insight into Greek crisis

By ALEX CAO News Writer

Last night, the University's Nanovic Institute of European Studies organized a panel at the Hesburgh Center Auditorium titled "The Greek Crisis and the Future of Europe," which information presented about the economic crisis in Greece.

The panel consisted of professor of economics Rüdiger Bachmann from Notre Dame, professor of political science George Tsebelis from Michigan, Dr. Christopher Waller, the senior vice president and doctor of research at the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, and professor of comparative politics Jim McAdams from the Notre Dame.

"What makes [the Greek financial crisis] so fascinating is that it's multiple crises," McAdams said. "It was

a crisis for the Greek economy, it was a crisis for the Greek welfare system, it was a crisis for southern Europe in different ways ... not just the Eurozone but also what Europe was since World War II."

Waller said Greece's financial issues started long

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Jim McAdams professor of comparative politics

before the 2010s as Greece initially failed to meet all of monetary criteria needed to adopt the Euro, though they

were allowed in the following year. What Waller said happened years later were investigations revealing large deficits in the Greek GDP which led to to tumultuous default and recovery.

"Their unemployment went from 5 percent to 25 percent. Their GDP fell 25 percent," he said. "If you're not aware, that's [similar figures to] the U.S. Great Depression. They started doing better on tax collections, cutting spending, laying off civil service workers — if I remember correctly about 50 percent of the labor force. ... The economic conditions and the austerity were going to lead to social revolt."

Tsebelis said the revolt manifested in Greece's near-adamant refusal to agree to the conditions of the bailout, which the European Union (EU) refuses to alter and Greece's own

parliament split on whether they should even stay with the EU. With elections coming soon and polling data unclear, Tsebelis said the political future of Greece seems very unclear.

"So it's going to be a very difficult outcome to predict," he said. "What will these organizations produce after the elections? With respect to the euro now, the EU has not budged throughout the seven months of negotiations ... and they continue to not give Greece money except on a conditional basis.

"Another thing the Greeks don't understand is the decision-making in the EU is through unanimity which means ... it's another 28 people you have to persuade," Tsebelis said. "Even if they were able to make reasonable arguments — which the Greek government was not able to do — they could only persuade one, two or five."

Bachmann said there are better measures Greece could take than tax hikes and privatization and finding the best way to get Greece out of this crisis will take smarter policies with public investments. He said they could invest in growth, green energy and foreign investment tax credits.

"We need to think differently, and I'm trying to advertise some sort of standard demand-side and standard supply-side policies." Bachmann said. " ... I think we'll need an intelligent mix between 'carrots' and 'sticks.' We need to find the right amount of micromanagement and that is hard.

"This is a question for European democracies that I unfortunately don't know the answer, and I hope we'll get closer in this debate."

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Activities

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people."

Between 3,000 and 4,000 students attend Activities Night every year, and the event expanded its layout this year to allow for a easier navigation, James said. Clubs and organizations set up tables in the Monogram Room and Heritage Hall, in addition to the tables in Field House in the main level of the JACC.

"Last year, we experimented with a new layout, and the students were able to walk more and talk more," she said. "We have about 300 Notre Dame organizations and clubs here and about 50 campus and community partners."

Pauline Hickey, German Club president, said she hoped to gain new members for the club by emphasizing the fun events club members can participate in.

German Club is that we don't showed that Notre Dame have a ton of weekly meetings you have to attend," she said. "We have a few big events, like Oktoberfest, which we're partnering with Morrissey to host on South Quad. We'll also have pretzel baking, a 'Sound of Music' sing-a-long and a trip to the Christkindlmarket in

Chicago."

The German Club currently has roughly 30 members, Hickey said, but hopes to raise its numbers to about 50 members who will continue to celebrate German culture.

"People don't realize you don't need to speak German to join the club," she said.

Juwan Bepo, the African-American Ministry intern with Campus Ministry, said although Campus Ministry has already established a significant presence, it has a table at Activities Night to encourage students to sign up for its weekly newsletter and so they can learn about programs, Masses and choirs.

"We can never have too many people sign up," she said. "And the interns at the table are welcoming and giving off a good vibe."

Freshman Brady McLaughlin said he was looking to join groups similar to those he participated in during high school, and "The great thing about he liked that Activities Night



KATHRYNE ROBINSON | The Observer

The Hawaii Club reaches out to potential new members at Activities Night. More than 350 on-campus clubs, student groups and local organizations participate in this yearly event.

had clubs "for pretty much anything."

"In high school, I was involved in cross country and track, National Honor Society and Campus Ministry," he said. "I'm also looking for one or two new activities to try."

Sophomore Erin Flynn

said she was also looking to things oriented around my Saint Mary's and Holy Cross branch out and join more campus groups.

"I'm here to find out ways to get involved in every aspect of Notre Dame," she said. "I signed up for a few clubs last year but didn't go to many meetings, which is something I regret. ... I'm also looking to join more

major, with engineering and computer science."

James said SAO advertised Activities Night with posters, through social media, and in The Week@ ND, a weekly email newsletter sent to Notre Dame students, staff and faculty, as well as advertising to students.

"We wanted a good balance of making sure people knew when and where Activities Night would be, but not shoving it in your face," she said.

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Garden

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professor of philosophy and coleader of the Saint Mary's Unity Garden, said there are dozens of Unity Gardens throughout the area where anyone can come and pick food for free.

"Unity Gardens is a non-profit organization in the area that educates and empowers the community to grow their own healthy food," Zwart said. "The goal is to promote physical, social and economic health through promoting healthy eating, sustainable local food systems and opportunities for those who are disadvantaged."

Jessica Mannen Kimmet, a campus minister at the College, described the prayer service as wonderful opportunity for the Saint Mary's community to pray together.

"[The prayer service] included a reading from scripture, a responsorial psalm, intercessions, a prayer of blessing and some hymns," she said. "Although it comes from a Catholic resource, this rite is strongly based on scripture."

Kimmet said the Unity Garden was blessed on this day because it is a reminder that all creation is a gift and we have a responsibility to care for it.

"In gardening, we partner with the earth in a way that

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Megan Zwart Saint Mary's assistant professor of philosophy

resonates with the call of the creation stories in Genesis," Kimmet said. "Gardening can be a source of wonder: Even though we put a lot of work into it, the fact that these plants produce food is something utterly beyond our control. ... All of creation is an absolute gift from God and never something that we fully own or control."

Zwart said there are many opportunities for Saint Mary's students to utilize the Unity Garden on campus.

"Students are most welcome to pick and eat whatever they would like; they are also welcome to participate in planting in spring and putting the garden 'to bed' for the winter once the weather cools," she said. "In the summer, students can pursue internships with Unity Gardens, which would include work on our garden."

Kimmet said she hopes the prayer service will draw more attention to the Unity Garden and concern for all of creation.

"Sometimes events like these can feel superficial; it's just one moment of attention in the midst of our unfailingly hectic lives," Kimmet said. "If it's true attention, though - if we really give our hearts over to this moment of prayer — it has the chance to be transformative.

"Small moments of attention help to form us and perhaps this day can, in small ways, inspire us to act out of a greater love towards the gift of creation."

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Dean

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open to everyone.

"I grew up very poor, one of seven children. My father had not finished ninth grade, but they wanted all of us to go to college, and we did," Galvin said. "And science is an area that you can come from any background, and if you work hard and



have talent, you can go really far in science. ... There is a meritocracy in science that to me is very attractive."

Galvin took at job at Bell Laboratories after MIT and stayed there for 14 years, she said. From there, she spent eight years developing a materials science department at the University of Delaware. She has also worked for Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., and the

National Science Fund.

Galvin started the next phase of her career Aug. 17, as Dean of the College of Science at Notre Dame.

"This a special place," Galvin said. "I was impressed with the University's commitment to science and to engineering and to research and how that can enhance undergraduate education, how it can make a difference in solving many of the problems we face in society from health to energy to sustainability."

Galvin said she believes she is a good fit for the dean position because she has dealt with different disciplines that fall under the College of Science and that she hopes she can use the position to have a positive effect on students and faculty.

"Really what I want to do is work with the faculty, who are very talented, to allow them to reach the dreams that they and the administration have set for being a really top research university," she said.

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freshman residents' disbelief at the sudden influx of sexual assault allegations. Walsh said her residents asked her the question, "Does that actually happen here?"

"I was horribly embarrassed that during their first week of class here at

"What's important for you to carry on from today is that the conversation does not end here. It is up to us to make sure that we end sexual violence on this campus."

Nidia Ruelas student body vice president

Walsh said the emails stood as proof that Notre Dame had yet to overcome its history of violence and that she could not help but worry that the freshmen in her hall, its newest residents, would become afraid of a place that she loved.

"Have we tolerated or even created an environment that causes our newest students, our youngest brothers and sisters, to be afraid of Saturday nights?" Walsh said. "While prayer and reflection and awareness are important, absolutely so nothing will guarantee the future safety of the students of Our Lady's University besides a sincere and relentless effort by each and every student, and classmate and roommate to step in, to speak up and to respect one another."

Pierce Witmer, a sophomore and member of Men Against Sexual Violence (MASV), displayed his worry that the recurrence of the sexual allegation email has caused some people to view it as spam from NDSP. Witmer then delivered a statistic from the U.S. Department of Justice that states 1 in 4 women on college campuses would be



Student body vice president Nidia Ruelas addresses the gathering of students and other members of the Notre Dame community at the Grotto as part of student government's response to sexual assault on campus.

Notre Dame, they'd already received three notifications that this new home we're trying to bring them into and create still has a serious problem keeping students safe," Walsh said.

affected by sexual assault during their college years. "When we think about the entire Notre Dame community as our brothers and sisters, even one case in our entire student body is far too many," Witmer said. Witmer said Notre Dame's

impressive image is an amalgamation of each member's collective efforts and participation in the community but that sexual violence threatens Notre Dame's ability to work in faith, justice and integrity. "Sexual violence and

other forms of power-based violence have no base on the Notre Dame community," Witmer said. "We all have the power to step up and take action as a united community."

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Pope shifts abortion policy

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — Pope Francis is applying his vision of a merciful church to women who have had abortions, easing their path toward forgiveness and saying he realizes some felt they had no choice but to make "this agonizing and painful decision."

In a letter published Tuesday by the Holy See, Francis said he was allowing all rank-and-file priests to grant absolution during the Holy Year of Mercy he has proclaimed, which runs Dec. 8, 2015 until Nov. 20, 2016.

The Roman Catholic Church views abortion as such a grave sin that it put the matter of granting forgiveness for an abortion in the hands of a bishop, who could either hear the woman's confession himself or delegate that to a priest who is expert in such situations.

Now, Francis is making it possible for women to bypass this formalized process in the approaching special Year of Mercy while putting the stress on "contrite" hearts.

In a statement after the pope's

letter, the Vatican made clear that "forgiveness of the sin of abortion does not condone abortion nor minimize its grave effects. The newness is clearly Pope Francis' pastoral approach."

In the United States, many bishops already allow priests to absolve women who have had abortions, while in other dioceses, bishops have reserved the decision for themselves, said the Rev. James Martin, editorat-large of the Jesuit magazine America.

The pope's directive on Tuesday "reminds priests of the need for mercy, and it also takes a very pastoral tone toward women who have had an abortion," Martin said.

New York Cardinal Timothy Dolan, who will be hosting Francis in the city later this month during the papal U.S. pilgrimage, noted that priests in his diocese have had the authority to forgive the sin of abortion for about three decades.

"I hope that this announcement by the Holy Father will encourage many people to come forward to find the true peace

and healing through this beautiful and tender Sacrament of Reconciliation," Dolan wrote on his blog.

Francis made clear he isn't downplaying the gravity of abortion, which the church essentially views as equivalent to murder. But he emphasized that abortion is an intensely personal, often anguished choice for women.

"The tragedy of abortion is experienced by some with a superficial awareness, as if not realizing the extreme harm that such an act entails," Francis wrote. "Many others on the other hand, although experiencing this moment as a defeat, believe that they have no other option."

Francis drew on decades of pastoral experience with faithful in his native Argentina, including as Buenos Aires archbishop.

"I have met so many women who bear in their heart the scar of this agonizing and painful decision," the pope wrote.

"I am well aware of the pressure that led them to this decision," Francis said. "I know that it is an existential and moral ordeal."

Kentucky clerk denies marriage licenses

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of gay marriage nationwide.

Gay and straight couples

sued, saying she should fulfill

her duties as an elected offi-

cial despite her personal reli-

gious faith. U.S. District Judge

Davis,

Associated Press

KENTUCKY — Invoking "God's authority," a county clerk denied marriage licenses to gay couples again Tuesday in direct defiance of the federal courts, and vowed not to resign, even under the pressure of steep fines or jail.

"It is not a light issue for me," Rowan County Clerk Kim Davis said later through her lawyers. "It is a heaven or hell decision."

April Miller and Karen Roberts, tailed by television cameras and rival activists, were there when the doors opened Tuesday morning, hours after the Supreme Court rejected the clerk's last-ditch request for a delay.

They hoped Davis would ac-

"Then you're going to have a David Bunning ordered her to long day," Davis replied. issue the licenses, an appeals Apostolic court affirmed that order, and Christian, stopped issuing the Supreme Court on Monday all marriage licenses in June refused to intervene, leaving rather than comply with the her no legal option to refuse. Supreme Court's legalization

back.

And yet, she did.

"Stand firm," Davis' supporters chanted as a tense standoff erupted in the lobby.

"Do your job," marriage equality activists shouted **Obama** outlines climate change concerns

Associated Press

President ALASKA ____ Barack Obama stared down a melting glacier in Alaska on Tuesday in a dramatic use of his presidential pulpit to sound the alarm on climate change.

a distance, Exit From Glacier appears as a river of white and blue flowing down through the mountains toward lower terrain. In fact, it's just the opposite. The 2-mile-long chock of solid ice has been retreating at a faster and faster pace in recent vears - more than 800 feet since 2008, satellite tracking shows.

"This is as good of a signpost of what we're dealing with when it comes to climate change as just about anything," Obama said with the iconic glacier at his back.

Obama trekked up to the glacier in carefully choreographed excursion aimed at calling attention to the ways human activity is degrading cherished natural wonders. The visit to Kenai Fjords National Park, where the glacier is located, formed the apex of Obama's threeday tour of Alaska, his most concerted campaign yet on climate change.

The president, dressed for the elements in a rugged coat and sunglasses, observed how signposts along the hike recorded where the glacier once stood and now only dry land remains.

"We want to make sure that our grandkids can see this,"

Obama said, describing the glacier as "spectacular."

In another presidential photo-op brimming with theatrical potential, Obama stood on the bow of a tour boat in Resurrection Bay in Alaska's Kenai Peninsula, staring out at the serene waters and lush mountain vistas in both directions. Photographers and reporters traveling with the president were brought alongside him in a separate boat to capture the moment in living color.

Obama is counting on Alaska's exquisite but deteriorating landscape to elicit a sense of urgency for his call to action on climate change. He opened the trip on Monday night with a speech painting a doomsday scenario for the world barring urgent steps to cut emissions: entire nations submerged underwater, cities abandoned and refugees fleeing in droves as conflict breaks out across the globe.

Exit Glacier has been receding for decades at an alarming rate of 43 feet a year, according to the National Park Service, which has been monitoring its retreat for decades using photography and, more recently, by satellite.

Glaciers ebb and flow due to normal fluctuations in the climate, and even without human activity, Exit Glacier would be retreating. But the pace of its retreat has been sped up thanks to heattrapping greenhouse gases blamed for global warming, said Deborah Kurtz of the National Park Service.

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cept that her fight was lost and issue the licenses, ending the months-long controversy that has divided Rowan County, where the seat of Morehead is considered a progressive haven in Appalachian Kentucky.

Instead, Davis once again turned them away. On their way out, Miller and Roberts passed David Ermold and David Moore, 17 years a couple. "Denied again," Roberts whispered in Moore's ear.

Ermold said he almost wept. They demanded to talk to Davis, who emerged briefly on the other side of the counter.

"We're not leaving until we have a license," Ermold told her.



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INSIDE COLUMN

Faux pas abroad



Emily McConville News Writer

Here in Rome, it's pretty easy to tell I'm from somewhere else.

I dress the part. I travel in a pack. I can't roll my r's. And when I speak Italian, I tend to forget the operative word, so a simple question ("Are these the same thing?") becomes an awkward linguistic dance ("So that one is that one, but is this one also that one?").

And I make American assumptions. Like when I went grocery shopping for the first time, I grabbed my produce and got all the way to checkout before I realize that here, you weigh your vegetables and print out a barcode in the produce section, not at the register. Also, I somehow misread the number 7 as the number 4. I just hope the people behind me didn't miss their bus.

If I'd done a basic Google search, I would have learned fairly quickly that yes, you are supposed to weigh your own vegetables in Italian supermarkets. I also may have committed the cardinal sin of touching them with my bare hands (though, thankfully, I took everything I handled).

Lessons learned. Uncomfortably.

But it's the good kind of uncomfortable. Other than grossing out a few of my poor Roman neighbors (mi dispiace molto), I've been doing okay. In the supermarket, I only spent 10 euro for a whole lot of food. I had an entire conversation in Italian. I'm more aware of the people around me and that I'm a guest in their country — but I also have a great story to tell.

That's what this year's study abroad blog, Observer Passport, is all about: our stories. It's our experiences abroad — our travels, our triumphs, our uncomfortable moments. It's a how-to (or how-to-not) guide for current or future travelers. It's a photographic record for the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's experiences abroad. It's easy, interesting and sometimes impactful reading, whether you're in Le Mans Hall or Le Mans, France.

You'll hear more from me, as I continue to apologize for my faux pas. You'll hear from writers in England and Ireland, in Spain and Jordan. You'll hear about trips, language, culture, politics, good and bad, scary and exciting.

If you're abroad, or if you'll be abroad at any

My mid-college crisis

Erin Thomassen

It was triggered by wanting to switch my theology class. As a first-semester junior, I was taking Foundations of Theology. Why am I such a late bloomer? One might say my academic trajectory at Notre Dame has been slightly offkilter. I came into college excited for ... college! I had no thoughts about what I would do afterwards.

I entered the College of Arts and Letters as a gung-ho Program of Liberal Studies and French double major intent. "Hmmm," adults would tilt their heads. "What do you plan to do with that?"

I did not know. I was studying what sounded fun. I would figure something out when I graduated. I had not thought that far ahead.

My physics teacher suggested I pursue engineering, but I had heard engineers had miserable college experiences. They studied themselves to death. They spent hours hunched over tiny screens, editing code. That did not sound fun to me, and I had done what I considered fun my whole life, dancing in tutus and singing "doo-doo"s in my a capella club.

And school. I always loved school — every subject — and I wanted to be around other people who loved school, too. I was undeniably drawn to the humanities, where students stayed after class to exchange quirky quips with wise, wizened professors.

Come sophomore year, though, I was missing math and science. I was tired of my STEM friends making jabs at my "Arts and Crafts" major. I could do math and science in high school, and I was actually awkwardly good at it. I even awkwardly enjoyed it.

So I figured, hey, I'll become an engineer. My parents did not mind.

Boy, was I in for a surprise. I could not believe that I, this ballerina with a bow in her hair, was not failing. True, when it came to programming, I was captain of the struggle bus. I had missed Intro to Engineering, aka intro to the wonderful world of Matlab, so I was quite lost with all the lingo. I spent many a night wanting to squeeze the computers in the engineering library to death after getting a million errors and having no idea what they meant (die, Unix, die).

Yet, I grasped the concepts of physics, calculus and even mechanics fairly well. Surprise! I even performed well on tests. My Solid Mechanics bridge was barely long enough to span the gap between test machines, but I wrote a redeeming lab report. I still could not fix my bike.

Fast forward this fall of my junior year, as I am finally catching up on University requirements thanks to my late entry to engineering. In my second class meeting for Foundations of Theology, we watched four movie clips. Danger danger: I felt my IQ dropping to concerning levels. I was thinking critically about the class instead of the text. This was not PLS. I met with the director of the PLS program, begging to be let into the PLS theology class. Could I please, please, please study Jewish and Christian texts, expanding the historical, analytical and spiritual part of my mind that I had neglected during my engineer year?

PLS theology was reserved for PLS majors. I could take my chances with an open spot for a non-major, but with the growing size of the PLS department, there were no guarantees.

Hey, I thought, I could double major — I could dual degree. I could do mechanical engineering AND PLS. I could do it all.

I could not do it all. I would have to fund a \$60,000 fifth year of school. I would probably not walk with my class. I would be overwhelmed, torn between two worlds. Hannah Montana could have the Best of Both Worlds, but I could not.

I took an emotional walk on the Notre Dame golf course à la Zac Efron, brooding over my life choices. Why couldn't I do everything I loved all at once? I could not pay. I could not convince. I could not get out of the golf course.

A NDSP officer had just locked the gate and could not find the key. "Looks like you're gonna be fence-hopping tonight," he told me. I thought he was joking. He was not.

I felt a tiny tear in my pants as I wiggled over the top. I let an expletive slip. That was unladylike, unErinlike.

I was confused and alone. Hot tears were approaching the starting line. Ready, set, go! Drip, drip, drop.

Thank God for dark nights. Others were going out. I was going crazy.

I needed God. My life was falling apart. I had a sudden desire to go to Jesus in the woods. I went.

Runaway tears mingled with goopy snot. I knew it: I was destined for poetic greatness. I blew my nasal discharge onto my recently purchased hipster green jacket (which apparently half the girls on the Notre Dame campus now own ... there goes my make-believe hipster status).

There were bugs crawling down my shirt. I phoned a friend, went back to my dorm and ate some of my roommate's chocolate-covered dried mango slices. I typed out my feelings on my unfeeling computer. I closed the PLS and Class Search tabs on my computer. I put my computer to sleep. Melatonin put me to sleep.

Breathe in, breathe out. I am alive, no matter what happens. Unless I die. But while I am having these thoughts, I am alive, so it is going to be okay. It is going to be okay.

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And wherever you are, have fun, but learn the local term for "whoops." And don't be afraid to be uncomfortable.

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VIEWPOINT

Demand candidates discuss human rights

Elizabeth Hascher Dignified Response

The 2016 race to hold the office of President of the United States has begun. Even though there are more than 400 days until election day and the first primaries will not be held for months, most candidates have already declared that they are officially in. They are fundraising, campaigning and ready to do almost whatever it takes to get votes. Some might cozy up to the Koch brothers or even take selfies with Kim Kardashian, if that is what it takes.

As we enter into election season, history will repeat itself, and the issues Americans truly care about will come to the forefront. It is going to become clear where our priorities lie as a nation. Candidates will try to address citizens' concerns and propose new policy with the goal of assuaging fears and ensuring the ballots add up in their favor. Some of the topics they will undoubtedly discuss include the growing global presence of the Islamic State, immigration policies, President Obama's failures in office and Donald Trump's "hair."

While these issues certainly warrant in-depth discussion (especially the hair), matters of human dignity are often forgotten during election cycles. Certainly, current debates such as the potential defunding of Planned Parenthood and the proper strategies to address Islamic extremism inadvertently deal with this concept. However, most conversations concerning abortion and Planned Parenthood take turns for the worse when words such as "murderer" and "anti-woman" are thrown around, and the goal of protecting human dignity — including that of the mothers and families who are faced with tough decisions regarding abortion — is left behind. When it comes the most effective way to put an end to the atrocities committed by ISIS, discussions never seem to include the stories of innocent lives lost or damaged but instead focus primarily on military funding and NSA surveillance restrictions.

We have lost sight of what is truly important: the protection of each human being's inherent sense of dignity. We have stopped questioning how our next leader will work to do things like eliminate poverty, rid our country of institutionalized racism and ensure that people feel safe walking around in their neighborhoods. Instead, we would rather focus on the details of the Bush political dynasty and Tonette Walker's stance on gay marriage. For the most part, human dignity is no longer a concern of presidential candidates.

Some may say that this should not be a pressing matter. They argue that our next commander-in-chief should be focused on issues such as the economy, foreign policy making and the maintenance of the United States' position as a world leader. There is no doubt in my mind that these topics should be addressed. However, we must acknowledge that every policy has the potential to affect real people and rob them of their dignity.

If we do not first establish that every person has an inherent dignity and a fundamental right to have it protected, we are doing our fellow human beings a disservice. When we, as privileged citizens of the United States, get caught up in political scandals and neglect to protect the dignity of people abroad and in our own country, we are no longer doing our duty. We fail one another when we turn a blind eye to issues of poverty, inadequate healthcare and oppression.

During Fr. Hesburgh's time as our University

president, he spent a great deal of time dealing with humanitarian crises around the world and often confronting issues the American president at the time rarely addressed. While touring through Thailand in the early 1980s, he remarked that progress towards resolving its current refugee crisis was blocked by political obstacles. In discussion with the king of Thailand, he asserted, "When politics rise above humanitarianism, then civilization faces disaster." These words were true when Fr. Ted spoke them in the '80s and they still ring true today.

According to the United Nations Development Programme, more than 1.3 billion people live in extreme poverty (making less than \$1.25 a day). The idea of civilization facing "disaster" and the low prioritization of the protection of human dignity may be a distant concept for many Americans, but it is an everyday reality for billions of people around the world.

Throughout American history, the power of the presidency has increased dramatically. Not only does the office of the president have a much longer job description, but it also comes with an unprecedented amount of influence over the citizens of the United States and the greater global community.

It is time that we start demanding more of the people who wish to hold this office and focusing on the most important issues of our world today. It is time for human dignity to join the discussion.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"When we pool our strength and share the work and responsibility, we can welcome many people, even those in deep distress, and perhaps help them find selfconfidence and inner healing."

— Jean Vanier Theologian, humanitarian

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Bring taboo topics to the table every day

I was early to class. It was our second time meeting as a group. One of my classmates sat a few chairs down from me, turned around and asked my name. Our conversation continued cordially, discussing the past summer and our future plans.

The natural lull soon arrived and she reached for her phone, ready to scroll. I paused, took a deep breath and said, "Can I ask you a personal question?" She looked back st me. "You don't have to answer if you don't want to," I quickly added.

"Of course," my peer replied.

"Did you read the NDSP email? Why do you think this is happening?"

A pause.

Our conversation went deep quickly. We talked about alcohol, blurred lines and policy issues. I brought up pornography and our culture of immediate self-gratification and the role of technology in modern relationships. We brushed on philosophy and discussed people being used as means rather than ends.

Our words had purpose. We recognized the gravity of the issue of sexual assault on our campus as well as its complexity.

And then another student walked in, another face we did not know. We kept talking, but our words changed. No longer did we mention sexual assault, perpetrators, pornography. Our tones softened. The discourse became generic and soon ended.

I recounted this to a friend. He said I was bold to ask a stranger something so personal, that those situations can be too uncomfortable for others. Maybe this is a problem we can add to the list.

The more we avoid these conversations, the more likely it is that sexual assaults will continue to occur. Public discourse about sexual assault is good, but if this is an issue we really care about, why are we not discussing it in our normal conversations?

To go beyond just raising awareness or expressing general concern, how we can actually create an atmosphere that works against sexual assault?

It makes us squirm as we acknowledge how much we contribute to this culture — it should. But the words exchanged between students are stronger than ideas published, and they last longer than lectures.

We live at a university that encourages dialogue, and it is time for our dialogue to encourage the University.

> Ellen Dahlby senior Lewis Hall Sept. 1





Erin McAuliffe Scene Writer

The atmosphere was vibrant at the MisterWives concert in Covington, Kentucky, the first stop on their Scrapbook Tour. In an old mansionturned-concert venue with an upperlevel allowing for full 360-degree fan engagement, MisterWives didn't know what they were in for. Tears were shed, larynxes were tested, and words were lost.

"Girls just want to have fun" — the words echoed off Mandy Lee's mic and were screamed from the audience as the five male members of her band took a seat at her feet. It was obvious that this girl was here to do much more than that: This was a lady ready to have fun while making great music, engaging the audience and sending a feminist message.

Girl power is topping the music scene these days. Of the many girl-fronted acts I saw this summer (Alabama Shakes, PHOX, Speedy Ortiz, Courtney Barnett, Bully), MisterWives serves as the perfect example of a band with a female lead singer, excess energy and collaborative chemistry. Even their name, a play on polygamous marriage/ the TLC special "Sister Wives," represents how intertwined they all are.

Opening with "Our Own House" MisterWives took hold of the concert right of the bat. The look of genuine awe and excitement on their faces was a spectacle in itself.

"I think we're all still in the mindset of playing in New York and calling up our friends, like 'Hey, come out to the show!'" guitarist William Hehir said in a phone interview for Scene.

"To see everyone from different cities, singing the words to each of our songs and having a good time. That will always blow my mind; I don't know how anyone could get jaded enough to not appreciate that."

Not only did they clearly appreciate their fans, they reciprocated their energy, and the venue lit up — even though their set merely consisted of an album cover tapestry and some leis hanging from their microphones.

They did cartwheels on stage — no, really. And somersaults. And push-ups. They even did an encore of "Uptown Funk" that was fresh, exciting and featured a saxophone jam session (I am in the process of developing a petition to have that live version take over the radio rotation of the overplayed original).

Although their new-wave, raspy and twirly sound is undoubtedly unique, Hehir had some shout-outs to other pop bands: "No Doubt, everything from their style to their attitude and how they play music. They're huge, especially as a female-fronted band. Also, WALK THE MOON and Foster the People."

As a six-member band, MisterWives puts forth a musical taste that spans the board and is reflected in their music. Name-dropping everyone from The Police to Motown to Aretha Franklin as acts frequently played on the tour bus, the influences are marbled throughout the album.

Hehir described their sound as having a "colorful pop-element" that contributes to "an effin' dance party" — and that sums up their vibes perfectly.

Although the concert was "10/10, would recommend," if you don't have the chance to see them live, blast their album and have a dance party of one or three or "no more than 10" in a dorm room. According to Hehir, this is a totally viable option as, "One thing we focus on is to make the record as live-sounding as it possibly can. And I think the best way to do that is to take a song, play it live with each other, get a feel for it and then get a feel for everyone's parts."

I'm as much a fan of Sage The Gemini's singles on rotation at parties as the next person (okay, maybe even more than most people), but this week, save the bump and grind tunes for the next Hip-Hop Night and freshen up your playlist with these bubbly tracks and a specialized dance guide.

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By ERIN McAULIFFE Scene Writer

"Our Own House" — Begins with slow claps over your head — a go-to. Then, when the bouncy beat picks up, go for Carlton arms (see "Fresh Prince of Bel-Air") and fancy footwork — criss-cross, The Spongebob, whatever suits your fancy.

"Not Your Way" — You will hop up and down while fist pumping like you're The Situation or something — but it will be beautiful and freeing, and you won't be able to stop even if you wanted. There is a part where you tango and a part where you cancan, sort of like a sneaky "Cha Cha Slide." "Reflections" — As you probably know the lyrics/have contributed to some of those 41,145,917 listens on Spotify, belt 'em out. And do some magical hand-twirls to the "you"s — you know what I mean. Think the orb: You have a magic crystal ball in your hands and you're caressing it and seeing the future.

"Oceans" — As the title suggests, it is a track with more relaxed, seaside vibes. This is probably just a slow head-bob, hip swing song, you're welcome for the break. Take note of the xylophone usage while you're head-bobbing.

"Best I Can Do" — The Running Man. That is all. "It's the best you can do." "Hurricane" — Rock back and forth and alternate raising your arms up, reflecting the tugging of the back and forth, choppy vocals. Move your body like a cyclone?

"Coffins" — This song is beautiful; sit down and take it in. (PSA: Please don't take this too far like Kaitlyn on "The Bachelorette" and actually sit in a coffin.)

"No Need For Dreaming" — Hop up and down. Do it now. Strut around for the slower, tambourine-dappled vocals, snaking your elevated arms around dramatically.

"Box Around The Sun" — Get twirly. Channel your free spirit. Look up at the sun. Is there a box around it? Probably not, but keep checking just in case. "Imagination Infatuation" — This song has electric undertones and a catchy chorus; make of that what you will.

"Vagabond" — My favorite. Pick a partner. Walk around each other (i.e. channel actual vagabonds). Sing to each other. Stare each other down. Get emotional. Get dramatic.

"Queens" — Pick a queen, any queen — or Freddie Mercury, if that's more your style. Once you've channeled your inner Beyoncé, or heck, Mandy herself, strut regally and remember: You're the queen, so you rule.

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TEN YEARS LATER, 'LATE REGISTRATION' REVEALS DEPTHS OF KANYE'S AMBITION

By MATTHEW MUNHALL Scene Writer

Ten years later, 'Late Registration' reveals depths of Kanye's ambition

While accepting the Video Vanguard Award at the MTV VMAs on Sunday night, Kanye West used his speech to reflect on the consequences that have followed every time he's spoken his mind. This week is a fitting time for West to reflect on the subject, arriving six years since he interrupted Taylor Swift at the VMAs and a decade since he claimed that, "George Bush doesn't care about black people," on a live Hurricane Katrina benefit — two moments that forever altered the public perception of West. Yet just as he seemed to be apologizing to Swift, he veered right, instead calling out MTV for capitalizing on the incident and passionately defending all the moments he's stood up for artistry and creativity.

"I don't know what I'm gonna lose after this," West concluded toward the end of his nearly 11-minute speech. "It don't matter, though, because it ain't about me. It's about ideas, bro. New ideas! People with ideas! People who believe in truth!"

"Late West's second album, Registration," which turns 10 years old this week, is the best illustration that a desire for new ideas has always been at the heart of his career. Arriving a year and a half after "The College Dropout," still one of the most celebrated debuts of the century so far, "Late Registration" was even better and revealed the depths of his ambition. Its release was the moment when West was revealed not to be just a promising newcomer but a pop music auteur, hell-bent on pushing the conversation forward at all costs.

West's best quality as an artist has always been his skill as a curator, his ability to reach out to the people with the best ideas and incorporate them into his vision. On "Late Registration," the most inspired move was recruiting Jon Brion, best known for his collaborations with Fiona Apple, as a co-producer. Rather than just regurgitating the pitched soul samples of "College Dropout," Brion lent orchestral grandeur to West's productions; his involvement resulted in a rap music "Pet Sounds," a baroque-inspired album that revels in its rich sonic palette.

This expert curatorial sense extends to the album's choice of guests. West coaxes out Jay Z's best verse of the mid-aughts on the remix of "Diamonds from Sierra Leone" (with its instantly quotable "I'm not a businessman, I'm a business, man" line) and recruits Nas and Cam'ron for the triumphant "We Major." He even manages to make Adam Levine's white-bread croon palatable on "Heard 'Em Say."

"Late Registration" explores the contradiction that's always been at the heart of West's work. It's an album where the goofy crossover hit "Gold Digger" — which spent 10 weeks at No. 1 - co-exists with "Crack Music," a commentary on crack cocaine's effects on black communities in the 1980s. "Hey Mama," an ode to his beloved mother and the most affecting track of his career, is followed on the tracklist by the hedonistic "Celebration" ("It's a celebration, b*****s!"). Yet, West ensures that the album coheres through the sheer force of his charismatic personality, which is at turns funny, sensitive, political, arrogant, self-deprecating and celebratory.

This is not to say that "Late Registration" is a perfect album; in fact, it's far from it. At 70 minutes, the album runs long compared to the more concise albums that would follow. "Bring Me Down" and "Celebration" are pure filler, while the skits, about a fictional fraternity called Broke Phi Broke, now seem dated.

But none of this stops West from declaring on the final verse of "Gone," "I'm ahead of my time, sometimes years out / So the powers that be won't let me get my ideas out." A decade later, his prediction does not seem so ridiculous. The album is not West's greatest masterpiece — that honor still goes to "My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy" — but it's perhaps most representative of his career as a whole: sprawling, imperfect and full of contradictions, yet endlessly compelling, innovative and influential. West's speech at the VMAs showed that he's never stopped arguing for his own importance, and when you listen to "Late Registration," you understand why.

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By KELLY McGARRY Scene Writer

Drug culture has become a popular theme in TV dramas from "Weeds" to "Breaking Bad," and now we have a new series focusing on the cocaine industry of the '70s and '80s. The new Netflix original series "Narcos" tells the story of Colombian cocaine kingpin Pablo Escobar as he manipulates both cocaine smugglers and government officials of multiple countries to become arguably the most infamous drug lord in history.

The history of Pablo Escobar in the Mendellín Cartel is fascinating, and "Narcos" takes advantage of the interesting backstory to create a provocative drama. The details of the historical context make the story even more intriguing, but to convey those details the show relies heavily on narration. In TV series such as "Grey's Anatomy," "Dexter" and even "How I Met Your Mother," narration has been prevalent, but perhaps never in such a documentary style as in "Narcos."

To allow ample time for action to focus on the drama, the historical context is conveyed through narration. The show inserts other bits of history as well, such as the real mugshot of Pablo Escobar, a video of the iconic "Just Say No" speech and real crime scene footage, which is certainly a double-edged sword when it comes to making the show realistic. Successful in driving home the fact that these events transpired in history, these historical images create a disconnect as well. When presented with the real photo of Pablo Escobar, the man in the series is no longer "real" to us, and it takes some time to re-engage.

The narrator of "Narcos" is U.S. DEA agent Steve Murphy (based on a real person) who is sent to Colombia on a mission to capture Escobar, setting up an interesting dynamic. Though Pablo Escobar is in a sense the hero of the series, the narration of a DEA agent gives the perspective of Escobar as a villain. On the whole, this series seems to pay

more attention to the game than its players, focusing on the effects of their actions instead of their inner motives.

Netflix is notorious for binge-watching, but this series appears to be less than binge-friendly. Paying attention to the detailed narration as well as keeping up with the disordered time frame is exhausting. The subtitles that non-Spanish-speakers will have to rely on also pose a huge obstacle. The series is now available on Netflix and is definitely worth checking out if for no other reason than to brush up on your Colombian drug lord history.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

Rebuilds pay off for patient teams

Michael Ivey Sports Writer

The race for October in Major League Baseball is heating up, and several teams are fighting for playoff spots — and with the addition of the second wild card spot, the race is more exciting than it has ever been.

The New York Mets, Houston Astros, Texas Rangers, Chicago Cubs and Toronto Blue Jays are all teams that missed the playoffs last year that are currently in a playoff spot, a couple of which were among the worst teams in baseball last year. Yet here they are on the cusp of October.

How might this be, you ask? Several of these teams have been going through a rebuilding process over the last couple of years that are finally coming to fruition.

Let's start with the Cubs, whose championship history, or lack thereof, is very well known. They had some memorable seasons nearly a decade ago under manager Lou Piniella, but both the 2007 and 2008 campaigns ended with postseason disappointment. After three bad seasons from 2009-2011, management decided they'd had enough, and owner Tom Ricketts cleaned house, hiring Theo Epstein to become president of baseball operations.

Epstein, who led to Red Sox to two World Series crowns as general manager, promised fans that the Cubs rebuild might be long, but worth it. He then hired Jed Hoyer to be the Cubs' general manager and Dale Sveum to be the new manager. In the first three years of Epstein's term though, the Cubs finished last in their division. However, during that time, Epstein made many executive moves that focused on the future. He completely rebuilt the Cubs' minor league system, which is now considered one of the best in baseball, through great draft classes, trades and free agency. After two years of Dale Sveum and one year of Rick Renteria as manager, in October, the Cubs hired former Tampa Bay Rays manager Joe Maddon to take over the same position. Maddon is notable for his easy-going personality and unorthodox ways of managing, but still, the Cubs

weren't picked to be a playoff team by many before this season.

It is now September, and the Cubs have the one of the best records in baseball, even though they are currently in third place in their division. Several of their top prospects have made their major-league debuts this season and have made big contributions to the Cubs' playoff run. It looks like after three long years, the rebuild is finally starting to show some results.

The Astros are a similar story. They finished with the worst record in all of baseball for three straight years before finishing last season with the fourthworst mark. But they spent that time working on their youth, and their bad records allowed them to make several high draft picks that have completely changed their minor-league system. They've also made several trades and free agent signings and currently sit in first place of the AL West.

The Blue Jays, who haven't made the playoffs since their World Series crown in 1993, are another example. Nearly six years ago, the Blue Jays appointed Alex Anthopoulos as their new GM. During his tenure, Anthopoulos has made several notable trades, including sending Roy Halladay to the Phillies, and acquiring players like José Reyes, Mark Buehrle, R.A. Dickey and Josh Donaldson in other trades.

In July, Anthopoulos traded Reyes and prospects to the Colorado Rockies for all-star shortstop Troy Tulowitzki and pitcher LaTroy Hawkins. A couple days later, he traded for allstar pitcher David Price. Those moves revitalized the Blue Jays, and they went on a tear in August to overtake the New York Yankees for first place in the AL East. Rebuilds come in all shapes and sizes. Most are long and seem like they take forever. But if you're patient enough, the wait eventually pays off. The second half of this baseball season is proof of that. So if your team is struggling, just be patient. Good things come to those who wait.

U.S. Olympic Committee picks LA as 2024 candidate

Associated Press

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LOS ANGELES — The U.S. Olympic Committee on Tuesday named Los Angeles as its candidate for the 2024 Games, replacing Boston's soured bid and marking a comeback for LA's dream of becoming a three-time Olympic host.

The announcement by USOC CEO Scott Blackmun came under a summer sun at Santa Monica Beach, where the city's plan calls for staging beach volleyball on the site where the sport was founded.

"I want to thank Los Angeles for standing up, once again, as America's bid city," Blackmun said, adding that LA's proposal squares with the Olympic movement's goals of watching the bottom line while investing in projects that dovetail with community needs.

Mayor Eric Garcetti said the city was inspired to bring the games back to the U.S. for the first time in 28 years.

"This is a quest that Los Angeles was made for," the mayor said. "This city is the world's greatest stage."

Earlier Tuesday, the Los Angeles City Council cleared

the way for Garcetti to strike agreements for a 2024 bid. The 15-0 vote came about a month after Boston was dropped from contention amid shaky public support and questions about taxpayer spending and liability.

Garcetti has said Los Angeles, home to the Olympics in 1932 and 1984, would stage games that are both spectacular and profitable.

The city's selection as the U.S. nominee marks the start of a two-year competition. The International Olympic Committee will pick the host city in September 2017, and Rome, Paris, Hamburg, Germany, and Budapest, Hungary, are also in pursuit of the 2024 Games.

"The focus needs to be on convincing the 55 or so IOC members that Los Angeles is the best city to host the Olympics. That process starts immediately," USOC Chairman Larry Probst told reporters in a conference call.

A key issue has been whether approval of the resolution by the City Council would saddle Los Angeles with potential cost overruns for an event that historically runs over budget. Council members were assured repeatedly that the approval starts a negotiation with Olympic officials and does not commit taxpayers to future spending to stage the Games.

"This is the engagement, not the wedding," Council President Herb Wesson said.

The city's 2024 plan, which outlines over \$6 billion in public and private spending, calls for staging events from volleyball on Santa Monica Beach to mountain biking in Griffith Park, one of the nation's largest urban green spaces. As was the case in 1932 and 1984, the Memorial Coliseum would serve as the centerpiece of the games.

A so-called host city contract, which essentially sticks the city and state — not the IOC — with the burden of any cost overruns, became an obstacle in Boston.

For Los Angeles, negotiating and striking a host city contract would come later, if the city is selected to stage the 2024 Games. For now, that temporarily pushes aside looming questions about costs.

"We are in this to win it, and I think we will," said Councilman Paul Krekorian. "We can't do that at the risk of exposure to our taxpayers."

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Gosselin's big day leads Diamondbacks to win

Associated Press

DENVER - Phil Gosselin atoned for his hitless debut with a big day at the plate.

Gosselin homered and drove in four runs, Patrick Corbin pitched into the seventh inning and the Arizona Diamondbacks beat the Colorado Rockies 6-4 in the first game of a split doubleheader on Tuesday.

Gosselin, who was acquired

an estimated 434 feet and gave Arizona a 6-2 lead. It was the second home run of his career.

"He was having trouble throwing strikes so I figured he would come with a fastball at 2-1," Gosselin said. "He threw it over the plate and I didn't miss it."

Corbin (4-3) allowed two runs - homers by DJ LeMahieu in the second and Kyle Parker in the fifth — and seven hits in 6 1-3 innings.

The 20-year-old Castro was charged with four runs in 1 1-3 innings in his Colorado debut. He was acquired in the July 27 trade that sent Troy Tulowitzki to Toronto.

"Big arm," Rockies manager Walt Weiss said. "He left a fastball over the plate and Gosselin hit it out."

Jarrod Saltalamacchia gave Arizona a 1-0 lead after a little The left-hander is 5-0 in his last confusion on his drive down the left-field line in the second inning. It was initially ruled foul but after a review of 1 minute, 37 seconds, the call was overturned.

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in a June 20 trade with Atlanta, doubled home a run in the third, and then broke it open with a three-run shot off Miguel Castro (0-1) in the seventh. Gosselin went 0 for 4 in his first game with the Diamondbacks on Monday after being activated from the 60-day disabled list.

"I'm happy (manager) Chip (Hale) threw me back in there," Gosselin said. "Last night didn't go how I planned or the team planned so it was good to get an early game and get back in there." His three-run shot to left went

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seven starts against the Rockies.

"Just hung a couple of breaking balls and they put good swings on them," Corbin said. "Today my changeup was good. Probably the first game since I've been back I've got to throw it and use it effectively. Fastball command was good, just a couple of breaking balls. It seems like a lot of their hits were on that."

Colorado left-hander Yohan Flande struck out five while pitching five innings of two-run ball. He gave up five hits and walked three.

Hale was ejected by home plate umpire Tim Timmons before the review. Hale said something was said from the bench and Timmons tossed him.

"Once I was thrown out I had a few choice words," Hale said. "Somebody said something while he was going down the line to talk the other umpires that he didn't like. I was trying to make sure he knew I would take care of that."

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thinking on the field, Yu's first instinct in regards to her injury was wrong; there was something she could do about it.

It certainly wasn't easy -ACL injuries never are — and Yu spoke to the difficulties of dealing with the mental side of a recovery.

"Mentally, I think, was the toughest part for me, coming back, thinking I was capable," Yu said. "As athletes,

going through physical problems and pushing through things is what we're good at. So going through the workouts and seeing myself progressively get stronger each month and seeing the physical numbers and things like that, it was good to be back

and getting stronger.

"But mentally, you weren't getting on the field, you weren't getting touches; you were getting fitness in, but not playing soccer, so it's hard to come back out and have confidence on the ball and believe that I was just as good as I was before I came."

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Though it took her two seasons, Yu is back and figures to be an important player for the No. 6 Irish as they look to make an ACC title run. Yu already has two goals this season, one in a 6-0 win over Valparaiso and the other in a 3-0 defeat of Toledo, and credits the strong sense of support she got from the team as a reason she has been able to come back.

"I've always had my teammates there for me, telling me to just keep trying and trying," she said. "There's been times when I just wanted to give up, but I kept pushing through, and it's just great to be back out there, especially with this group of girls. I feel like we're something special."

At this point though, Yu said she is simply thankful not to be thinking about her knee.

"That's the best part about this right now," Yu said. "Right now, I absolutely do not think about it. I hardly ever think about my knee, and it's relieving and exciting to think that it's 100 percent.

"... I guess I'm just fortunate and lucky."

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"I think you're going to see them all play," Kelly said. "I think they will all get an opportunity to contribute in some fashion, and some may play a little bit more than others, but they are all going to get a chance to be in the rotation and play, and I think Saturday will largely determine how that is doled out relative to the reps."

As for which coach will be calling the plays for those tight ends and the rest of the offense Saturday, Kelly remained reluctant to publicly name himself, offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach Mike Sanford or associate head coach/receivers coach Mike Denbrock, saying it will be a collaboration.

"We are all going to be working off the same play sheet," he said. "We are going to all be working off the same openers. We are going to all be working off the same down and distance sheet. So whether it's coming out of Mike or Mike or Brian's lips, is really immaterial as far as I'm concerned."

Special teams starters

Two true freshmen swept up starting jobs on special teams: Justin Yoon at kicker and receiver C.J. Sanders at punt returner.

Sanders is listed ahead of junior receiver Will Fuller as the returner, which Kelly said gives the Irish two speedy options on special teams.

"We are splitting hairs probably with both of them," he said. "And I could see us going back and forth with both of them playing. ... I just think C.J. just has kind of a unique knack of breaking some tackles and hard to find sometimes and kind of comes out of there and pops out of there. That's why we went with him."

Sanders is also listed at

kick returner, alongside graduate student receiver Amir Carlisle and senior running back C.J. Prosise.

To no surprise, high school All-American Justin Yoon will start for Notre Dame at kicker Saturday, and Kelly said he hasn't shown a drop off during his practices with the Irish.

"I was thinking that as camp wore on with the tired leg, we would see a drop in that area, but he's been solid," Kelly said. "We've hit him with a lot of different situations. He's responded quite well to all of them.

"I think the thing that stands out with me as it relates to him is he is so focused on just doing his job. There's not a lot of things that kind of distract him. He's extremely focused."

Under the lights

For the first time in program history, the Irish will open their season with a home night game, which Kelly said has a decidedly different feel than the typical 3:30 p.m. kickoff at Notre Dame Stadium.

"It's just electric," Kelly said. "Whether it's Texas or USC or Michigan, the ones that I've experienced, it's just a different atmosphere. So I expect it to be an electric atmosphere, one that will be memorable for everybody."

Though the Longhorns wrapped up last season with a 6-7 record in head coach Charlie Strong's first year in Austin, Kelly said he anticipates a challenge Saturday.

"Should be a great test for us in an opener," Kelly said. "These are the kind of openers that really test you in everything that you do. You have to be fundamentally sound. You've got to take care of the football. And you're playing against quality, quality athletes that are well coached."

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Irish senior running back C.J. Prosise fights for extra yards during Notre Dame's 30-14 win over Purdue at Lucas Oil Stadium on Sept. 13. Prosise caught four passes for 51 yards in the game.



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Irish freshman receiver C.J. Sanders finishes a route during practice at Notre Dame Stadium on Aug. 21.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Avoid being enticed into a secret affair or hiding information that puts you in an awkward position. Concentrate more on broadening your outlook and sharing skills and information with others. New beginnings will be positive and enlightening. $\star \star \star$

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Step up to the podium and voice your opinion. Greater involvement in a group that supports a cause you believe in will enable you to make a difference. Romantic opportunities will surface if you are open about your expectations. $\star \star \star$

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FOOTBALL

Kelly names starters for season opener

By MARY GREEN Assistant Managing Editor

For the most part, Brian Kelly said his typical Monday practices are lethargic and low-energy.

But with Texas coming to town for Notre Dame's season opener Saturday, the Irish head coach said his team was ready to go for this week.

"It was focused," Kelly said. "There was an intent to really work on getting better in all phases. Great communication. High energy. Very good Monday. So you know that they are starting to see the light at the end of the tunnel."

Kelly revealed which players will start against the Longhorns this weekend, with sophomore Daniel Cage nabbing the slot at defensive tackle left open in the wake of senior Jarron Jones' seasonending injury in August. Cage won the starting job over freshman and early-enrollee Jerry Tillery, which Kelly said in large part was due to the improvements Cage made between his first two seasons.

"He's in much better condition," he said. "He's so much

more mature, understands our defense so much better. He was always off the charts in terms of his strength and foot quickness. Now he's bringing a lot of that for much more of the game in terms of number of plays."

However, Kelly said Tillery will still see playing time Saturday, rotating with Cage and senior Sheldon Day, adding that he's taken on a big role for a freshman by learning both the nose tackle and defensive tackle positions along the line.

"Did that hurt him a little bit? Maybe, possibly, because we asked him to do two things and play two different positions," Kelly said. "I think you will not know, as you watch the game, you won't be able to count up, well, Cage played more than Tillery. It's going to be pretty seamless."

At the crowded tight end position, Kelly named junior Durham Smythe the starter over sophomores Tyler Luatua and Nic Weishar, graduate student Chase Hounshell and freshman Alizé Jones.

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Irish sophomore defensive lineman Daniel Cage pursues Northwestern sophomore running back Justin Jackson during Notre Dame's 43-40 loss to Northwestern at Notre Dame Stadium on Nov. 11.

ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Yu looks to contribute in return to pitch



By MAREK MAZUREK Sports Writer

The anterior cruciate ligament, better known as the ACL, is one of four ligaments that controls the knee's movement and, along with the posterior cruciate ligament, ensures that the tibia stays behind the femur when walking or running.

While few understand the anatomy of a torn ACL, sports fans everywhere the season, done, no questions asked.

Ohio High School Player of the Year, she led her high school, Walsh Jesuit, to a pair of state championships and an ESPN RISE national championship in 2010 and was invited to camp with the U.S. Under-20 Women's National Team in April 2013.

With her impressive resume entering the college scene, success might have seemed assured for Yu.

However, those plans were soon derailed before her know the duration: out for freshman season properly got underway, when Yu tore her ACL in an exhibition against Baylor. "When I [injured my who could successfully come ACL] in the first scrimmage against Baylor, I knew right away," Yu said. "I felt it, and the first thing that went through my mind was 'ACL.' And then they called me down on the sideline, and it kind of got me thinking maybe it wasn't [an ACL tear], but then we got it checked out. My first thought was, 'There's nothing I can do about it.'" Known for her quick

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Irish junior midfielder Sandra Yu fights for possession of the ball during Notre Dame's 2-1 win over Santa Clara at Alumni Stadium on Aug. 28. Yu finished with four shots in the game.

Once upon a time there were precious few athletes back from an ACL injury; however, thanks to more advanced facilities and rehabilitation programs, many athletes have successfully managed to return from ACL injuries — Tom Brady, Adrian Peterson and Derrick Rose are a few. And now, entering her junior year, Irish midfielder Sandra Yu hopes to join those ranks.

Coming into college, Yu was a highly touted recruit. As a two-time Gatorade

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