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Conference reveals sustainability efforts

University unveils plan to end coal use, reduce carbon footprint in response to Pope's encyclical

By JACK ROONEY and MEGAN VALLEY

Managing Editor and News Writer

advance of Pope Francis's historic visit to the United States this week, Notre Dame is acting on the pontiff's message of sustainability and care for the environment.

Tuesday morning's town hall meeting in Washington Hall, University President Fr. John Jenkins and Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves held a press conference to discuss the University's new initiative to end all use of coal by 2020 and to reduce the University's carbon footprint by more than half by 2030.

The initiative, announced in a press release Monday, comes as a response to Pope Francis's May encyclical "Laudato Si," Jenkins said.

"We have had efforts in sustainability ... and we made really very good progress over the past decade, at least," Jenkins said at the press conference."But this summer, when Pope Francis promulgated his encyclical 'Laudato Si', I went to John [Affleck-Graves] and I said, 'John, let's look at it. Can we take a further step? Can we do a bit more to respond to the Pope's encyclical, to respond to the challenge of the environment?"

According to the press release, Notre Dame will also invest \$113 million in renewable energy including geothermal, solar, hydroelectric and biomass sources. Affleck-Graves said the University will keep its options open with these technologies, including possibly installing solar panel fields

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University President Fr. John Jenkins, seen here speaking during last spring's town hall meeting, discussed various initiatives planned to increase University-wide sustainability during a press conference Tuesday.

Week displays innovations

By JP GSCHWIND News Writer

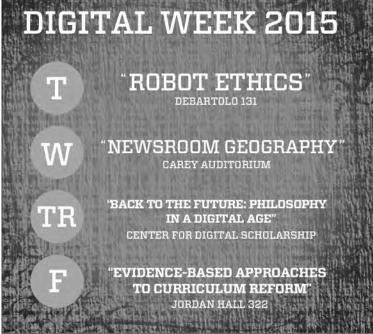
Showcasing the newest innovations in educational technology and their applications in the classroom,

the second annual Digital Week begins Tuesday. The week includes a wide variety of lectures and workshops and is sponsored by the the Office of Digital Learning, the Hesburgh Libraries Center for Digital Scholarship, the Center for Research Computing and the Office of Information Technology's Teaching and Learning Technologies

Elliott Visconsi, associate professor of English and chief academic digital officer, said Digital Week is an important program for both the Notre Dame community and the general public.

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"The concept of Digital Week is to involve not only faculty and students, but also the public



ERIC RICHELSEN | The Observe

in welcoming interactive workshops, programs and talks," Visconsi said.

Although Digital Week focuses on newly developed technologies, Visconsi said that the subject matter is accessible for everyone.

"The whole idea is to

lower the barriers to entry so that everybody feels welcomed, so that there's something for everybody, so that there's opportunities whether you're frightened by technology or are

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Family donates \$5.5 million for new stadium

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Robert H. and Mary Ellen Harris have made a gift of \$5.5 million to the University for the construction of the Harris Family Track and Field Stadium, a Sept. 17 press release announced.

Robert Harris graduated from the University in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in chemistry and is the president and chief executive officer of Harris FRC Corp.

"We are grateful to Bob and Mary Ellen Harris for this generous gift that will enable us to make a major advancement in facilities for Notre Dame studentathletes in track and field," Director of Athletics Jack Swarbrick said in the release. "The creation of locker rooms and other team space

surrounding the outdoor track will provide a firstclass home for our men's and women's squads.

"In addition, we hope the future improvements to this facility will make it another wonderful resource for the greater South Bend community, much as the Compton Family Ice Arena has become."

The new building will house a number of "team support areas," the release stated, including "studentathlete and coach locker rooms, team meeting and event operations space, a nutrition station and a satellite athletic training area."

The facility will be built on the west side of the ninelane outdoor track and field

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If you could live in a dorm of the opposite gender, which would you pick and why?



Abby Lesko senior off campus "Sorin — the quint."

Alex Gray

Alumni Hall

Bridget Moroney

"Ryan because it's the closest to

"Fisher. All my guy friends are

freshman

Alumni."

freshman

Lyons Hall

from Fisher."



Brian Hermann senior Dillon Hall

"Cavanaugh because it's close to



Joe Nelson sophomore Dillon Hall "Ryan. The life of luxury is the life for me."



Lydia Costello freshman Lyons Hall

"I'd choose Carroll for the novelty of it and the view"



With the autumn season making its way into South Bend, five students gathered outside on the University's South Quad this weekend to enjoy the weather and play an impromptu game of frisbee, a popular pasttime among students on campus.

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Wednesday

Mapping the Relief **Effort in Nepal**

Hesburgh Library 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Panel discussion as part of digital week.

Reading Series

Geddes Coffeehouse 7:30 p.m. MFA students Katy Cousino and Chris Holdaway read.

Thursday

Lecture and Book Signing

McKenna Hall 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. An evening with author Sam Quinones.

Reading Series

Breen-Phillips Hall basement 7:30 p.m. Undergraduate students read.

Friday

Football Pep Rally Compton Family Ice

Arena 5:45 p.m.-6:30 p.m. A home game weekend tradition.

Men's Soccer

Alumni Stadium 7 p.m.-9 p.m. Cheer on the Irish as they take on the Virginia Cavaliers.

Saturday

Vigil Mass DPAC Leighton Concert Hall

30 minutes after conclusion of football game.

Pain Management

Jordan Hall of Science 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Part of Dooley Society lecture series featuring Paul Christo.

Sunday

Volleyball vs. Florida State

Jovce Center 1 p.m.-3 p.m. Irish take on the Seminoles.

Women's Soccer vs. Florida State

Alumni Stadium 1 p.m.-3 p.m. Notre Dame faces off with the Seminoles.

Ambassador speaks on US-Chile relations

By MATTHEW McKENNA News Writer

Chilean Ambassador to the United States Juan Gabriel Valdés spoke with Kellogg Institute director Paolo Carozza about the evolving relationship between the United States and Chile, and the implications of this change on the respective countries, in a public conversation on Monday evening in the Remick Commons.

Valdés said when he thinks about the relationship between the U.S. and Latin America since the end of the military dictatorships in Chile, Argentina, Uruguay and Brazil, he sees several countries that have learned to stand on their own.

"The first thing that comes to my mind is to say that Latin America is more independent, more autonomous, and at the same time, much more diverse," Valdés said.

Democracy American has progressed remarkably in the face of cultural and societal differences, he said.

"Even if some countries have different goals, while

being very diverse, they have become more stable and more democratic, with an enormous increase in participation," Valdés said.

Until recently, Chile had never conceived of the possibility of relationships with Iran or various Asian countries like those they have to-

"There was an explosion national relations," Valdés said. "Embassies were opened, and economic changes developed."

Valdés said it is not entirely clear whether the improvements in Latin America are a direct result of a withdrawal of American involvement, or if the benefits are simply a result of a region being allowed to develop in a way that posses no threat to national security.

"If somebody would have told me in the '70s that a Latin American country could decide to experiment without having, as a result, any sort of problem with the United States, I would have been extremely surprised,"

The U.S. is still getting used to the fact Latin American countries have changed, Valdés said, but there has been significant progress under the current

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Juan Gabriel Valdés Chilean ambassador to U.S.

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situation," Valdés said.

Valdés said Latin American countries such as Chile are now able to choose to be allies with the United States under their own power, and this element of choice strengthens the relationship.

"We have chosen to be friendly with the United States, and that's an excellent position. It allows us to change the way we look at our relationship," Valdés said.

Chile and the United States are in similar economic and political positions, and this means there's a lot both countries can learn through cooperation, he said.

"There is a degree of distrust of the elites in both countries," Valdés said. "This anti-elite movement is threatening in a very serious way the way we conceive of representative democracy."

"In Chile, this feeling is especially visible because over the past 50 years we have been able to produce a ruling class," he said.

Valdés said the income distribution in Chile is one of the worst in Latin America.

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economists, they will tell you that they have data that shows that the difference in income is shortening," Valdés said. "I can tell you that maybe from the point of the data that is true, but from a sociological perspective, it has no meaning whatsoever. If you go to any part in the north of Chile and go into some of the villages, you would see some people are very poor."

"There is a perception that the society is increasingly different and unjust, and that some ugly faces are showing up in the middle of the debate," Valdés said. "These are the same faces that we sometimes see in Chile."

Chile is very much aware that democracy has to be defended, he said.

"If you are lax in the management of your democracy, then phantoms from the past can come back," Valdés said. "We have a system today that is very much stable, but we know there has to be a consensus to be cautious."

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Author examines language of destruction

By LUCAS MASIN-MOYER News Writer

Arthur Binard, a bilingual author, translator and antinuclear activist, delivered a lecture Monday afternoon in the LaFortune Center Ballroom that examined the terminology Japanese and Americans use to describe the bombings of Japan during World War II. At the end of the war, there was a general feeling of euphoria in the United States, but in Japan, the feeling could not have been more different - Hiroshima and Nagasaki were leveled by nuclear weapons, and the Japanese people dealt with the crippling effects of the destruction of two large cities.

Japan for more than 20 years, said he set about to discover how the language both the American and Japanese people use in discussing this event shape their perspective on the event itself. The interest started for Binard with a trip to the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum, he said, and a talk from a survivor of the atomic bomb.

When describing the bomb, Binard said the survivor used the word "pika," a word which roughly translated to "shiny" or "bright," to describe the explosion. Binard said he had never heard this word before and, "pika gave a strong sense

As a result of describing the bomb in terms of light, and Binard, who has lived in not as the mushroom cloud event, as they are detached use of language impacts our lmasinmo@nd.edu

with which he had traditionally associated it, Binard said he began questioning the narrative of the bombing that he had been taught in school. Using the mushroom cloud

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Arthur Binard speaker

as the main descriptor of the bomb has profoundly impacted Americans' views of the from the destruction itself, he

"Using the mushroom cloud puts us above [the incident]," Binard said. "[In Japan,] nobody talked about the mushroom cloud."

Binard said he discovered that the Japanese almost exclusively used "pika" in describing the bombing, and this new narrative, not of the necessity of the bomb but the destruction that it created, made Binard shift his perspective on the use of the bomb.

"I should have been with them all along," Binard said, "but I wasn't before because I didn't have 'pika.'"

This discovery led Binard

view of the nuclear bomb and nuclear power. In his examination, Binard said he found examples in both Japan and the United States where the use of language seemed seemed to tame, in the minds of the general population, the negative effects of the nuclear bomb and nuclear

According to Binard, the language used to describe an event impacts public perception of the event and when examining an event, one must alway consider how it is

"All the language you use always has some perspective," he said.

to further examine how the **Contact Lucas Masin-Mover at**





SMC students receive accounting awards

By HALEIGH EHMSEN Saint Mary's Editor

Last week, five Saint Mary's students received awards for dedication and excellence in accounting. The awards, presented by the department of business and economics, highlight respective courses, but also on the character and development of the students.

Junior Kaileigh Moore was presented the Bridget Anderson/KPMG last Monday at the department of business administration and economics' Accounting Awards ceremony. The Bridget Anderson/ KPMG Award is a \$2,000 award given to an accounting junior for excellence in the principles of accounting sequence.

Senior Diana Matuszak was presented the Ernst & Young Award, a \$1,000 award given to the accounting senior judged most likely to succeed in public accounting.

Matuszak said she made it a goal during her sophomore year to earn one of the department's accounting

"[The award] is a great accomplishment," she said."I feel very proud that my hard work is paying off."

Earning the award has shown Matuzsak that there is more to success in the accounting world than grades alone, she said.

"Though I do work very the success of students in hard for good grades, [success in accounting] is about detection and ability to work well with others also,"

> Matuszak said this past summer she had an interning in public accounting within the audit sector for Grant Thorton in Chicago.

> While the Ernst & Young Award is given to a student "most likely to be successful in public accounting," Matuszak said accounting is all about being able to work well with others, while also being good at what you do.

> Senior Bailey Benoit earned the Crowe Horwath Award, a \$1,000 award presented to an accounting senior for outstanding achievement in personal and corporate tax.

Senior Alexandra was PricewaterhouseCoopers Award, a \$1,000 award given



Left to right, senior Alexandra Vizard, junior Kaileigh Moore and seniors Bailey Benoit, Sophia Wilk and Diana Matuszak received awards from the department of business and economics last week.

to an accounting senior for excellence in accounting leadership.

Senior Sophia Wilk was presented the Deloitte Award, a \$1,000 award given to an accounting senior for excellence in intermediate accounting. Wilk said it was an honor to be recognized by one of the largest accounting firms in the country.

"[The award] encourages

me to stay motivated to achieve success in my professional and academic goals," she said."By achieving this award, I believe I have represented what Saint Mary's College allows every student, opportunity to succeed and grow through service in the community."

Over the summer, Wilk said she did not have a typical accounting internship, but rather served at Samaritan Counseling Center, a nonprofit organization in South Bend.

"The experience allowed me to live out what I have learned at Saint Mary's, that I can grow as an individual and professional through community service while expanding my knowledge through academic pursuit."

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Digital Week

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an early adopter and can't wait to be teaching with holograms, and everywhere in between,"

> "The Teaching and Learning team will present ideas for designing and redesigning courses ... [and] showcase mobile apps, some [of] which have been developed by our students."

Peggy Rowland senior director teaching and learning technologies

Visconsi said.

Peggy Rowland, senior director of Teaching and Learning Technologies, said Digital Week offers an excellent opportunity to learn about the intersection of technology and the University's educational

"The Teaching and Learning team will present ideas for designing and redesigning courses, screen capture to support student learning, showcase mobile apps, some [of] which have been developed by our students and we will also show how to enhance classes with

digital media," Rowland said.

According to Rowland, the events of Digital Week have important implications for possible future programs and initiatives on campus.

"Faculty presentations and keynote addresses will stimulate future strategic directions we take in providing the environment and tools in the classroom and in any space that learning takes place," Rowland

Bergstrom, Tracv director of the Hesburgh Libraries' Digital Initiatives and Scholarship Program, said many of the events on Wednesday and Thursday will be housed in the Center for Digital Scholarship and will emphasize geographic information systems and the digital humanities.

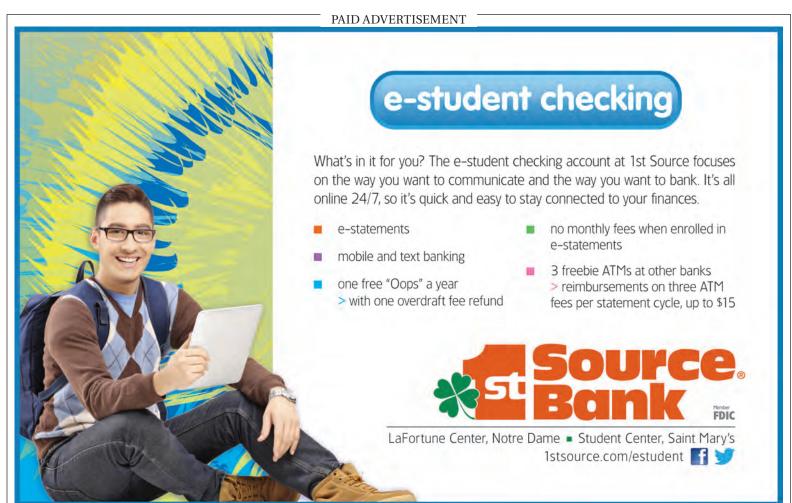
Digital Week will include four major keynotes: "Robot Ethics" by philosophy

professor Don Howard on Monday, "Newsroom Ethics" by Tim Wallace of The New York Times on Tuesday, "Back to the Future: Philology in a Digital Age" by Martin Mueller, professor emeritus of English and classics at Northwestern University, and "Evidence-Based Approaches to Curriculum Reform and Assessment" by Melanie Cooper, professor of science education at Michigan State University.

While much of the programming addresses developments happening on campus, Visconsi said the scope of Digital Week extends beyond the University.

"The goal is to share what's going on at Notre Dame but also to learn what's happening beyond Notre Dame," Visconsi

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somewhere on campus.

"We would like, in the end, to have a fairly diversified strategy so that we have a little bit of each of those and eventually get to a stage

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Fr. John Jenkins University President

where we can be fully renewable," Affleck-Graves said."But that's probably going to take 40 to 50 years to get to be a fully renewable campus."

Jenkins said this project will carry significant costs, but he and Affleck-Graves said they ultimately think the investment in sustainable energy will pay for itself. Eventually, the University hopes these technologies will decrease Notre Dame's carbon dioxide emissions by 47,500 tons per year, or the equivalent to taking 10,000 cars off the road, according to the press release.

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The new initiative "is a continuation, but a kind sources can be cost of augmentation" of the University's efforts to reduce its environmental impact, Jenkins said. Affleck-Graves said Notre Dame has decreased its coal use from about 85 percent of campus's total energy use in the mid-2000s, to 15 percent now. A large part of the strategy going forward, Affleck-Graves said, is conservation.

> "We've been working very hard since the early 2000s on the concept of 'it's the responsibility of everybody to honor the planet and to leave the planet in a better state than we got it,' and a big part of that is conservation," he said."We estimate we can decrease our carbon footprint by 15 to 20 percent just by conservation efforts, so we've worked hard on those. And then there are a variety of other issues that we're looking at."

> Jenkins will Washington, D.C. Wednesday and Thursday for Pope Francis's visit, and said he hopes the University's renewed and more aggressive approach to reducing its carbon footprint will resonate with other universities and the general population as a way to heed the Pope's call to care for the planet.

> "I hope it affects other universities, but I hope it also gives an example just to the population at large, just about taking these issues

seriously and taking the steps we can," Jenkins said. "Again, we want to join with the Holy Father, the Pope, in his call to take these issues about nurturing the environment seriously."

At the afternoon town hall meeting, Jenkins gave an overview of changes to campus life, including sustainability, and Affleck-Graves announced campus facility updates. Vice President for Human Resources John McQuade also explained the changes being made in the health insurance of staff and

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John Affleck-Graves University Executive Vice President

Jenkins spoke on the need for the University to become more efficient in order to offer more support to students and their families.

"Notre Dame costs a lot of money for the families who send their children here," he said. "It is extremely important that we are efficient and conscientious in running this place. We work very hard in providing financial aid, but we still have to be conscious about this. ... You read that higher education is bloated and inefficient, complacent, it's not run effectively, and I cannot believe that's true for Notre Dame."

Affleck-Graves said the University is planning two off-campus building projects: a boathouse for the men's and women's rowing teams at Viewing Park, set to be completed in December,

Notre the Turbomachinery in South Bend's Innovation

"This [facility] not only is going to help with our research, but it will also help the economic engine in our community," Affleck-Graves said. "It's a wonderful collaboration to help with the city and its businesses and the people. In this facility, what they're going to do is test gas turbine engines."

Affleck-Graves said the University is addressing several faculty-raised facility issues, including a lack of short-term parking and elevators in need of repair at Flanner and Grace Halls. He said the University will be adding short-term parking lots near O'Shaughnessy Hall and Galvin Life Science Center, and the elevators in both Flanner and Grace Halls will be fixed over the course of several months.

"The good news is we can replace each of the six elevators," he said. "The bad news is that it's much more complicated to fix than I thought. Each elevator has to be replaced and they have to redo the shaft and it takes three months per elevator. We have a plan to do this over nine months total in each building."

Staff health insurance will be undergoing changes, McQuade said, with the addition of a new high deductible plan and a switch to active enrollment.

"It's not like all the plans are going to dramatically change," he said. "But it is imperative that you be informed about your health care choice because we are adding plans, and it's absolutely critical to us that the right people choose the right

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Stadium

facility in the southeast corner of campus, and construction is expected to begin by the end of the year.

Alan Turner, the Irish track and field head coach, said in the release the new building will contribute to the success of the track and field teams.

"For so many years, we haven't had any outdoor meets, and we really don't have great space for locker rooms and team meeting areas, so just having added space and a place to call our own is going to make a world of difference for our program," Turner said.

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VIEWPOINT

INSIDE COLUMN

Good kid South Bend city

Lucy DuGraphic Designer

I was born and raised in China for 13 years. I spent those years slaving to one homework assignment after another or counting down to the next exam in one of the three subjects I ever had in school: Chinese, Math and English. Everything changed a month before my 14th birthday.

I got on a plane and flew to John F. Kennedy airport to move in with my mother in Queens, New York. I can't say that I fell in love with New York City at first sight, considering I got a good stretch of traffic on a highway before I saw the New York I was expecting, but I was excited to be in the infamous city. This is the "city that doesn't sleep," the "concrete jungle where dreams are made of." The streets are supposed to make me feel brand new and the lights were going to inspire me. And they did! The city became as much a part of me as I was a part of it. I was having the time of my life. But about six years later, I was all packed up and leaving for South Bend, Indiana.

While I was anxious to start my college career and all, I was not happy about leaving New York. I am a New Yorker: I jaywalk all the time and I hate tourists, I walk to the exact spots in the subway station where the train doors open and my closet is a spectrum of navy, grey and black. How could I survive four years of this small midwestern town? And it wasn't just me who felt like this. Notre Dame students in general have a feeling of dislike towards South Bend as a city. We call the locals "townies" and we make fun of it all the time. Thinking back now, I want to slap myself in the face for being such a brat. After spending three years in South Bend, I have grown to love this small community of people. One of the most important reasons for this affection is the fact that I feel like I grew with South Bend.

I still remember doing a South Bend tour as a freshmen and meeting the young, newly sworn-in Mayor, Pete Buttigieg in the College Football Hall of Fame thinking why would such a young politician want to dedicate all his time to this city. But walking through downtown South Bend today, having witnessed all the change its gone through, I can't help but feel a warm affection. While I learned to dispose of my preemptive judgments about things I do not know, South Bend proved itself to be a wonderful place filled with wonderful people.

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Politics needs reason

Neil Joseph

Viewpoint Columnist

As I sat in my room and watched the Republican debate this past Wednesday, I couldn't help but think about the real people behind the personalities on my television screen. As a Political Science major and someone who may want to pursue politics in the future (I promise I'm not that bad of a person), the snapshots of the people that I saw were not one bit encouraging. Even though I really believed that deep down the candidates on that stage were all reasonable and well intentioned (with a few exceptions for Trump), the conversation on that stage didn't do anything to persuade me of that. These debates and this entire campaign season has done nothing to make me feel better about politicians or politics in our country — a sentiment that much of our country holds

To be clear, I don't only lack faith in Republicans. It's everyone in politics. We've seen so many examples of unwillingness to compromise, untrustworthiness and unproductivity. In the past few years, we've seen a government shutdown, an enormous change to healthcare in our country that was rammed through without any sort of bipartisan support and a lack of action on the issues that threaten the future of our nation. We have one front-running candidate who disregards rules and another who disregards the simple notion of respecting people. Nothing can get done in Congress, our president can't (and doesn't) dream of getting Republicans to support him on anything and people such as Donald Trump are front-runners because of our country's dissatisfaction with politics. How did we get here?

There are so many problems within politics that there isn't a certain action or inaction that has created this system. But so many things can be fixed. First of all, we need reform. Real reform in many different places. Our politicians are influenced by so many more things than the one factor that should influence them: their constituents. Today, politicians are influenced by their donors, lobbyists and their desire to get reelected. These aren't the people whom they were elected to represent, and these influences need to be curbed. This isn't necessarily because politicians are naturally greedy or people who are easily influenced, but rather because this is what our system today perpetuates, and it needs to change.

In order to successfully implement any change, our

leaders need to recognize that the greatest things our country have accomplished haven't been pushed through without compromise. From the founding of our governmental system to the Civil Rights Act of 1964, our country has been great because of our leaders' ability to compromise for the good of all. In spite of this, no politician wants to be seen as a compromiser; rather, every one wants to be someone who "stands by their principles." For example, every single Republican candidate on Wednesday wanted to highlight their similarity to Ronald Reagan's conservatism, economic policies and foreign policy, yet none of them mentioned his/her ability to get so many things done with bipartisan support (such as the Tax Reform Act of 1986). Until we get back to celebrating and replicating those victories where Republicans and Democrats worked together, our politicians will continue to argue and posture but get nothing

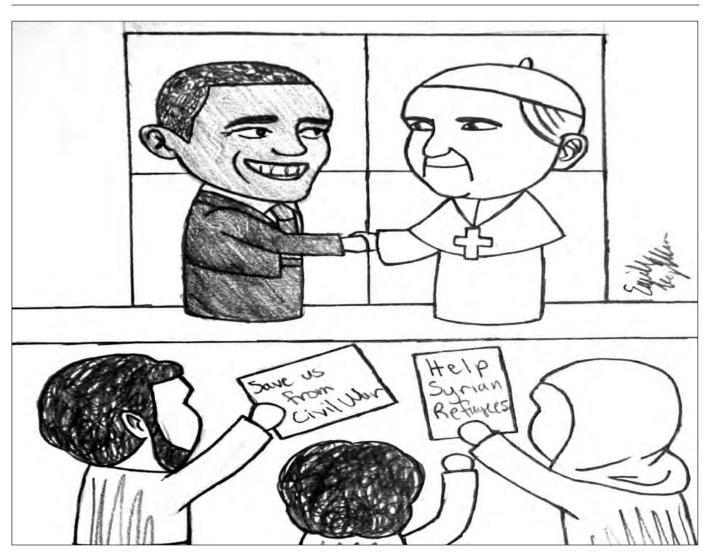
Our political system is also in shambles because of everyone outside of politics. Too many citizens today fail to recognize that the majority of people in Washington are there because they want to do what is best for our nation. Furthermore, just as our politicians have become increasingly polarized, so have our own interactions — it seems to be what drives conversation. We saw this in the debate this past Wednesday, as CNN continually pitted one candidate against another, seeking argument and conflict instead of real solutions to the problems that face us. Once the media and citizens seek facts, answers and real ideas instead of rhetoric and entertainment, our politicians will be held accountable and driven to action.

Even though all of these changes seem to be good, they can understandably seem unrealistic. But as citizens in a democratic nation, nothing can happen without our voices. We cannot let our politicians continue to refuse to do what's good for the best of our country out of self-preservation. Until we demand that our politicians seek reform, not reelection, we will not solve the issues that threaten our future. As we head into 2016 and beyond, we all must look past the rhetoric and start striving for real change that will keep pushing our nation down the path to greatness.

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VIEWPOINT

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The sigh

Michael Fliotsos

Retained Reflections

Double-fisted triple-shot espresso Starbucks runs from LaFun, vacancies at the Bookstore basketball courts despite picture-perfect weather, crowded section study lounges ... ah yes, the first round of exams and paper deadlines must be right around the corner. From the threepapers-due-on-Wednesday dilemma to the psychology, statistics and orgo trio of testing terror, it is difficult to not experience secondary anxiety for my underclassmen friends whose schedules are far less forgiving than that of a typical senior year. Reflecting on the challenges to come for many throughout the coming weeks, I am reminded of an important event in my Notre Dame experience that helped put a similarly hectic situation into clarifying perspective and changed my outlook on challenges in my life.

It was approximately 9:00 p.m. on a rainy Wednesday night during the fall of my sophomore year. I was on the sojourn from Jordan Hall of Science to Duncan Hall, a journey of already formidable length that was compounded by pouring rain and soaked socks as a consequence of poor planning (and even poorer rain boots). Facing the impending doom of two yet-to-becompleted lab reports, a pre-lab, an exam on Friday and a mountain of Arabic homework left over from what should have been a more productive weekend, I was walking back from my beloved home-away-from-home after fruitlessly editing uneven proton NMR graphs using software available only on the computers in Jordan. To put the futility of my situation into context for non-science majors: you know you're really in hot water when the graduate T.A. at office hours who is pursuing a Ph.D. in chemistry and reads these graphs daily says she does not have a clue why your graph "is really, really messed up." I was frustrated, tired, wet and done with everything school-related.

On the journey back home, I asked a question

that I have posed many times since: "Why?"
Back then, I was still grappling with the fact that many of my friends at other colleges seemed to have significantly less work to do than I; they went out more, studied less, got better grades and were seemingly having a much easier go at this whole college business than I. While I was certainly grateful that I was able to attend a school as wonderful as Notre Dame and ultimately knew the value of the education I was receiving, there was certainly a nagging at the back of my mind that I could have gotten a education elsewhere that wouldn't have been nearly as stressful, difficult or rainy.

As I got onto South Quad by O'Shag, a new song came up on the playlist — "The House That Built Me" by Miranda Lambert. Seeing that my mind was preoccupied with these aforementioned thoughts (and that the track is one of my favorite songs), I didn't pay close attention to the lyrics and continued my walk without a second thought. As I started strolling along the sidewalk closest to God Quad, I passed the clearing where the Golden Dome is completely visible and, like I have done hundreds of times before, I stole a glance to my right.

This time, however, my brisk walk slowed to an eventual halt. I turned such that I was facing the Dome, looked up through the drizzling rain and to the sultry crooning of Miranda Lambert, inhaled deeply and sighed an unusual sigh.

It is difficult to describe what that sigh sounded like, but I can definitely tell you how it felt.

It was the release of the frustrations I encountered throughout the day, week and semester. It was the resolution of so many personal uncertainties and doubts, insecurities and fears both big and small. Above all, it was the answer to the question I kept asking myself. "Why Notre Dame, Michael? I'll tell you why — you belong here, and being here will help you accomplish even your wildest dreams."

Granted, the above revelation (after years of contemplation, after all) is far more eloquent than the amalgam of thoughts swirling through

my head at the time. However, that's the best way I can describe the overwhelming flood of reassurance and dissipation of self-doubt that occurred for me that Wednesday night two years ago.

As I walked away from that priceless view of Our Lady, I listened to Ms. Lambert's words with new meaning. This place — the people, the classes and the problems — is the metaphorical house that is continually challenging me to be the best I can be for the sake of both others and myself. It is the place I know I can call home more truthfully than anywhere save my actual hometown. It is, as clichéd as it sounds, where I belong — and where I know I belong no matter what

As students at Notre Dame, we have to deal with unique challenges and struggles that are as varied and multi-faceted as we are. Everyone has an "I'm-in-over-my-head" moment where they ask some variation of the question "Why?" And while I am not claiming to have a cure-all answer to that question, I can share the process that helped me arrive at my own inner peace. It was thinking about the point of it all on a 15-minute-long trek through the rain on a Wednesday night under the gleaming gold of Our Lady that helped this writer understand the value of self-assessment and reflection in tackling the most formidable of challenges. Hopefully your method of reflection involves less wetness, a lot less organic chemistry and more of something else. Whatever that something may be, looking at the grand scheme of things every once and a while can put even the most seemingly insurmountable of days in a perspective that gives you the comfort and confidence to march on.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Engage in political life

"In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue and participation in political life is a moral obligation."

This call to political responsibility by the U.S. Catholic Bishops is the foundation for the NDVotes '16 movement. NDVotes '16 is a studentled nonpartisan campaign sponsored by the Center for Social Concerns and the Rooney Center for the Study of American Democracy to promote voter education, registration and mobilization. NDVotes '16 fosters conscientious engagement in political and civic life among students. The NDVotes task force was designed by students, of students and for students because, whether we like it or not, politics affect each and every one of our lives in more profound ways than we even imagine. Thus, we owe it to our country, our respective faiths and ultimately ourselves to participate in the political process. At NDVotes, our goal is to make political participation both exciting and accessible to all students — regardless of their religious affiliation, academic interests or

personal background.

Beginning this fall, the NDVotes '16 movement will take shape through a series of campus-wide events open to all Notre Dame students. The events will focus on voter registration among students, promoting virtuous discourse on our campus, and creating discussion around critical election-year issues. Some topics that we will explore include civic participation, voter disenfranchisement and political speech.

Today, on National Voter Registration Day, NDVotes '16 will join other voter registration movements across the country by registering students at a table in LaFortune Student Center throughout the day. South Bend Mayor Pete Buttigieg will help us launch the NDVotes '16 campaign at Geddes Hall at 5:30 p.m. We invite you to join us from 4-7 p.m. to register, request your absentee ballot and start the civic engagement dialogue.

With NDVotes, it doesn't matter if you have registered to vote, have been following politics or

have ever had any previous interest in the political process. We invite everyone, from the political science senior who is writing his or her thesis on campaign strategy and has voted in every local, state and national election since 2012 to the first year engineer who doesn't know too much about politics (yet) but wants his or her voice to be heard in the political process.

NDVotes is led by representatives of BridgeND, College Democrats, College Republicans, Graduate Student Union, GreeND, Hall Presidents Council, Right to Life, The Roosevelt Institute, Student Bar Association, Student Coalition for Immigration Advocacy, Student Government, Young Americans for Freedom and Women in Politics.

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'TIL IT HAPPENS TO YOU' A MESSAGE TO END ALL SEXUAL VIOLENCE

By ERIN McAULIFFE

Senior Scene Writer

Lady Gaga released a PSA in the form of a music video for "Til It Happens To You" last week. The song was featured in "The Hunting Ground," the documentary — screened at Notre Dame — that addresses campus rape culture and its consequences. The music video, purposefully released within The Red Zone (the weeks after student orientation and before Thanksgiving Break, when students are statistically at highest risk to face sexual assault) does not gloss over the problem.

"The following contains graphic content that may be emotionally unsettling but reflects the reality of what is happening daily on college campuses," the video opens.

Through Gaga's reach and the song's subsequent accessibility, pop music is used as a vehicle to empower and provide self-worth while not shying away from controversy: a topic addressed by Scene last week.

The song was co-written by Lady Gaga and Diane Warren, both Grammy award winners. Catherine Hardwicke, best known for her work with "Twilight,"

directed the video.

The video was shot in black-andwhite, a trend recently utilized by artists like Run The Jewels and Kendrick Lamar in their own social commentary-style videos, in which they address the likes of racial injustice and police brutality.

In "Til It Happens To You," the alltoo-realistic attacks, committed both by strangers and acquaintances, are hard to watch.

Shots of the survivors' arms, legs and backs with sayings like "Believe Me" written in marker call out colleges' continued failings in dealing with campus rape cases. The schools' proceedings, addressed extensively in "The Hunting Ground," all too frequently place the blame on the victim, cover up cases (especially when associated with sports teams) and question whether the victim is to be "believed."

The placement of these sayings on the survivors' bodies is representative of how they have come forward in vulnerable conditions to call out these gross shortcomings and take back ownership of their bodies. The juxtaposition of the sayings "I am worthless" and "I am worthy" in the video signifies

the struggle and internal conflicts survivors go through during this process.

At Saint Mary's this past Thursday, Andrea Pino and Annie Clark, the co-founders of End Rape on Campus (EROC) who were featured in "The Hunting Ground," addressed their own struggles in dealing with their sexual assaults and their university's response. Their talk, "A Culture of Commitment: Everyday Activism and Supporting All Surviors," is one example of the steps Notre Dame and Saint Mary's are taking to address campus rape culture, especially since Notre Dame witnessed three reports of sexual assaults or battery within the first two weeks back on campus.

"What we call 'Everyday Activism' is the radical notion that everyone can play a part in ending violence and oppression by resisting rape culture, supporting survivors and challenging our institutions," Pino said.

Lady Gaga, a survivor of sexual assault herself, took this idea of Everyday Activism to heart in a scale and medium that are, importantly, not so everyday. "We hope u feel our love & solidarity through the song & perhaps find some peace in knowing u r not alone through

this film [sic]," she tweeted.

The music video demands respect for and support of survivors.

"Believing survivors is radical," Pino said at her Saint Mary's talk. "It seems to be the only crime in which no one is believed; it's always alleged. It seems as if sexual assault never happens.

"When someone comes forward and tells you they've been sexually assaulted the first thing you should say to them is you believe them, the second thing you should say is they're not alone and the last thing you should say is it's not their fault. These are oftentimes the three things survivors never hear."

Gaga's video ends with survivors being led out of dorm rooms arm-andarm with fellow students offering their support. The staggering statistic that one in five female college students will be sexually assaulted during their four years on campus flashes across screen, followed by the number for the National Sexual Assault Hotline, ending the music video with a resource and message we all need to hear.

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"WE HOPE U FEEL OUR LOVE & SOLIDARITY THROUGH THE SONG & PERHAPS FIND SOME PEACE IN KNOWING UR NOT ALONE THROUGH THIS FILM"

-@LADYGAGA

IYS REWIND

By ADAM RAMOS

Scene Writer

Jon Stewart ended his iconic tenure on "The Daily Show" this past month, after a memorable 16 years, which is why it came as no surprise last night when "The Daily Show" took home the Emmy in all three of its nominations. While I have the upmost respect for "The Daily Show" and I was just as sad as anyone when Jon Stewart left his desk for the last time back in early August, I would be remiss if I didn't say that John Oliver's "Last Week Tonight" got a little bit snubbed. With superb writing, enthralling exposé pieces and its track record of enacting social change, "Last Week Tonight" is my choice for the best variety show of today, and the Emmys just didn't reflect that for me. Congrats though Stewart, we are all going to miss you.

By KELLY McGARRY

Scene Writer

The award that threw me off most was "Game of Thrones" for best writing. I'd be the last one to bash "Game

of Thrones" — the acting, the visuals, the entire presentation is incredible. However, most of the writing credit should go to the book series author George R. R. Martin. It takes a ton of work to convert a book series into TV — and I respect that — but I don't think the way that was done this season was really award-worthy. The deviations from the book took away from the story. We're all obsessed with "Game of Thrones," but the series writing doesn't really measure up to that of the shows that came up with their own material.

By MATTHEW MUNHALL

Scene Writer

When Jon Hamm went to accept his award for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Drama Series, he didn't walk up the steps to the stage, as winners at award shows usually do. No, Hamm — who finally won for his performance as Don Draper on "Mad Men" after having previously been nominated in the category seven times - crawled on stage on all fours. It was the sight of an an exhausted marathon runner dragging himself across the finish line

and receiving a participation medal: the bare minimum recognition by the Emmys for one of the all-time great TV performances.

By MATT McMAHON

Scene Writer

The Emmys nearly made up for its past shortcomings Sunday night, finally honoring Jon Hamm for his magnificent turn as Don Draper in AMC's "Mad Men," as well as broaden the field by selecting Jeffrey Tambor as Outstanding Lead Actor in a Comedy Series for his both stately and vulnerable performance as the transitioning head of the complicated Pfefferman clan, Maura, in Netflix's "Transparent." However, with Julia Louis-Dreyfus's victory in Outstanding Lead Actress in a Comedy Series, Amy Poehler lost the category her sixth year in a row for her role of Leslie Knope in "Parks and Recreation." As the show ended its run this past spring, this was the last year the Emmys could have awarded for her inspiring characterization at the heart of the show's unrelenting charm. Nevertheless, Poehler brought

her charisma and upbeat attitude to much of the award show's proceedings, from her red carpet interviews for her site "Amy Poehler's Smart Girls" to her staged bits from the audience. Shrugging off of her fourth loss in as many years to Dreyfus, Poehler echoed her show's underdog sentiment, proving that winning — especially at the Emmys — isn't everything.

By MIKO MALABUTE

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The undisputed best moment of the entire Emmys awards didn't involve an award or anything. Tracy Morgan wasn't even supposed to be there, as he recalled how Jimmy Kimmel said on stage last year, "We'll see you back here next year, Tracy Morgan." Morgan absolutely stole the show, showing the strength, humility and courage to return to the stage following his lifethreatening accident. It was a relief and a blessing to hear him admit that he's starting to feel like himself again and even crack jokes the way we know only he can. This man is a legend, and we are lucky to see return to his element.

ANA DEL REY'S NOIR 'HONEYMOON'

By MATTHEW MUNHALL

"Honeymoon," Lana Del Rey's third major-label album, closes with a cover of the Nina Simone classic "Don't Let Me Be Misunderstood." It's a sentiment that seems a few years too late — since "Video Games" surfaced online four years ago, Del Rey, no matter how good her intentions, has been constantly misunderstood. Her critics have been very vocal in bringing claims against her: her image manufactured, her voice boring, her lyrics repetitive, her ideology anti-feminist.

Instead of altering course, Del Rey has only retreated further into the richlyrendered universe she's built in her music. Entering into her world is somewhat like stepping into Norma Desmond's mansion in "Sunset Boulevard": a glamorous Old Hollywood fantasy divorced from reality. Like Dylan and Springsteen before her, Del Rey is fascinated with American iconography, frequently walking the line between kitsch and glamour. Symbols that repeat across her discography are littered throughout the lyrics on this album: jazz music, cigarettes, neon signs, guns, long stretches

On "Honeymoon," she employs this imagery to evoke her persona's complex relationship to romance and fame. It's an album of California noir in the vein of films like "Chinatown" and "Inherent Vice" that explores the dark, twisted underbelly lurking under the bright, flashy facade of Hollywood. There she is on the cover, leaning against a celebrity sightseeing bus and staring off into the distance through cat eye sunglasses. This idyllic Southern California image is too good to be true, of course; as she sings on "God Knows I Tried," "I've got nothing much to live for / Ever since I found my fame," and that sense of melancholy pervades throughout the album.

Del Rey's only real radio hit was Cedric Gervais' house remix of "Summertime Sadness" and ever since she's been committed to making music that resists being co-opted into the EDM world. She promised this album would harken back to the uptempo trip-hop of "Born to Die," and a few of the tracks — most notably, "High By the Beach," which sounds like an underwater cover of Lil Wayne's "Lollipop," and the evocative "Freak" — are underpinned by trap drums.

Mostly, though, "Honeymoon" delves deeper into the lush, woozy palette she established on the psych-rock-leaning "Ultraviolence." The title track introduces this languid pace, its cinematic strings swelling at a glacial pace and Del Rey elongating every syllable, and it continues throughout the rest of the record. True to her obsession with ent soundscape. "What might have Hollywood, many of the songs sound inspired by film scores. The beautifully sparse "Terrence Loves You" borrows the melody from Nancy Sinatra's Bond theme "You Only Live Twice," while also interpolating lyrics from David Bowie's "Space Oddity" and adding a muted horn section. "Salvatore" evokes the Sicilian scenes from "The Godfather," as Del Rey sings of a summer romance with an Italian man.

The album's climax arrives with the six-minute-long "The Blackest Day," a ballad on which she mourns a breakup by listening to Billie Holiday. "Getting darker and darker / Looking for love," she croons, "In all the wrong places / Oh my god." It's perhaps the bleakest moment on "Honeymoon," the summation of all of the narrator's destructive relationships. Yet, by the track's end, she sings, "I'm on my own again" — still melancholic, but perhaps ready to consider a new approach to love.

Even if "Honeymoon" never reaches the dizzying heights of "Ultraviolence," it is perhaps the best execution of Del Rey's artistic vision to date. On the album's interlude, she reads the T.S. Eliot poem "Burnt Norton" over an ambibeen and what has been," she recites, "point to one end, which is always present." Even as she references the past — Simone, Dylan, Holiday, Sinatra, Bowie - she directs it toward one end, creating a gorgeous, coherent work that is entirely her own.

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"Honeymoon"

Lana Del Rey

Label: Interscope

Tracks: "The Black Days"

If you like: Bob Dylan



SPORTS AUTHORITY

Upset shows golf's potential



Zach Klonsinski

The most spectacular upset of the weekend wasn't Ole Miss getting literally handed a victory over Alabama in Tuscaloosa. In fact, it didn't happen on a football field.

It didn't even occur in the United States, actually.

No, the best upset in the American sporting world last weekend happened far from American soil, on a golf course in St. Leon-Rot, Germany.

In what can only be described as one of the greatest comebacks in sports—let alone golf—history, the American ladies playing in the Solheim Cup won eight and a half of the possible 12 points during Sunday's final round of play, the singles matches, meaning they overcame a massive deficit and won back the Cup from the Europeans by half a point.

In case the massive comeback wasn't enough, though, it all began with a controversial moment early Sunday morning that became the bitter and emotionally-charged turning point of the tournament.

Many sports fans are familiar with the Ryder Cup, in which the best male golfers from the United States take on the best of the Europeans. It's an underrated and extremely exciting event that takes place every other year. Teams and fans go all-out for one of the only team events in professional golf. The atmosphere resembles that of a football game (the real and American hybrid) except there are a dozen of them going on all over the course at the same time.

Well, the women have their own version of the Ryder Cup, too, called the Solheim Cup. This year's event took place at Golf Club St. Leon-Rot in Germany over the weekend. Entering the final day of play, the U.S. found itself trailing. Big.

Afew matches from Saturday night had been suspended due to darkness and needed to be finished up before singles action could begin.

That's when American rookie Allison Lee picked up her ball on the 17th hole.

In match-play format games, which both the Ryder and Solheim Cups use, teams can concede short putts to the other pairing or player as a show of sportsmanship.

This is what Lee thought the European team had done. She had just missed a birdie putt, and it rolled about two feet past the cup. Lee then scooped up the ball with her putter.

She had a good reason to believe the hole was conceded, as one of the European players, Charley Hull, had already begun walking toward the 18th tee. However, the other European, Suzann Pettersen, said they had in fact not conceded the putt. Therefore Lee had incurred a penalty stroke and the Europeans had won the hole to go 1-up in the match. The pairings then halved the 18th, and the Americans found themselves staring into the side of an even higher mountain.

After the match, a fierce debate broke out on the 18th green between the two sides, and both Lee and Hull came away with tears streaming down their faces.

American captain Julie Inkster seized the moment and rallied her team, which came out on fire to begin the singles portion and never looked back, capturing the Solheim Cup for the first time in the last three

It was a great sporting moment, made all the sweeter listening to the silence from the stunned European masses as the Americans celebrated victory after victory on Sunday. None of that annoying 'Olé, Olé, Olé' chant the Europeans shout non-stop.

And it was precisely the kind of event golf needs more of.

Outside of a few specific venues and tournaments (the four Majors — especially at Augusta — St. Andrews, etc.), watching golf is extremely dry and boring. And this is coming from someone who played golf throughout high school and has a golf course superintendent for a father.

Golf could use more team events where players work to create the atmosphere of one of the larger sports. Look no further than the stadiumesque 16th hole at the TPC of Scottsdale, home of the Phoenix Open, dubbed the loudest hole in golf as players walked through a tunnel underneath the stands to approach the tee and are completely surrounded by, frankly, people who know nothing about golf and a lot about having a good time.

It would anger golf's purist core, but as the Ryder and Solheim Cups have shown us, golf has the potential to be in the same realm as any of the top sporting events in the country.

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INTERHALL

Interhall season opens with lopsided wins

Pasquerilla East 28 McGlinn 0

By MOLLY MURPHY Sports Writer

Pasquerilla East came out on top Sunday in its 28-0 victory against a young McGlinn squad. The Pyros got off to an unfortunate start to the season when a key defender was injured only a minute and thirty seconds into the first quarter, but the team quickly recovered to take control of the game.

The Pyros' win rested on the arm of sophomore quarterback Hana Jenks, the reliable hands of junior receiver and captain Noelle Gooding and the quick feet of sophomore running back Sydney Boll, as well as a tight defense that made two key interceptions to put their offense in scoring position.

Gooding said her team did well to overcome injuries and get the win.

"I think we did a great job," Gooding said. "We obviously started off pretty rough with a huge injury on our team's defense, but we came back totally and played great."

Gooding also credits a coaching staff headed by Irish junior quarterback Malik Zaire for the win. Zaire said the Pyros need to keep improving.

"We're getting better," Zaire said. "But we're trying to be the best team in the league, so we're working for that."

McGlinn struggled to generate offensive momentum and riddled by defensive fouls, but senior captain Megan Fabry said her team is optimistic about its season.

"We're a really young team," Fabry said. "We have a lot of new players and players coming back from abroad from last year, so I think it's just a matter of time before we start clicking, and I think we're really going to be unstoppable after that."

The Shamrocks will be looking to use lessons learned this Sunday to improve as they face Lewis at 5 p.m. Sunday at Labar Practice Complex. Pasquerilla East will hope to improve to 2-0 as it faces Badin at 4 p.m.

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Farley 35, Badin 12

By JACKIE BREBECK Sports Writer

Farley started off strong in its defeat of Badin on Sunday in a high-scoring, intense battle, 35-12.

Returning junior quarterback

Lizzy Moulton led the Farley offense to the win, throwing long, accurate passes and rushing aggressively. On the defense's part, there was fierce play all across the board.

Farley senior captain Ali Buersmeyer said her team achieved its goals of performing cohesively and maintaining a strong shape.

"Going in, we really wanted to organize and connect on passes and have good forward momentum," Beursmeyer said. "We definitely did that today. I was also proud of how our defense adjusted to the changes [in the lineup] after half time. All in all, there was great play on both sides of the ball today."

Despite the large difference in the final score, the Bullfrogs looked to be within reach for most of the game, moving the ball on offense both through the air and on the ground.

Badin came close to the end zone on multiple occasions but struggled in the red zone, having one touchdown taken back as a result of a penalty and an interception.

Farley looks to continue its success Sunday when it faces Pangborn at LaBar Practice Complex at 4 p.m., while Badin hopes for more progress and a win when it meets Pasquerilla East at LaBar, also at 4 p.m.

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Dillon 31, O'Neill 0

By BRENNA MOXLEY Sports Writer

Dillon earned a 31-0 victory over O'Neill in it season opener, but not without cost as the Big Red lost a player to injury for the remainder of the season.

Dillon's defense started strong, as sophomore Jack Myers intercepted the ball from O'Neill junior quarter-back Keenan Bailey on the first pass of the game. The Big Red failed to convert the turnover to points, however, later fumbling the ball on their own one-yard line

After the recovery, O'Neill responded with a fumble of its own, which led to the first touchdown by Dillon. From there on out, it was smooth sailing for the Big Red.

Dillon added three more touchdowns as it pulled away from the Angry Mob, and a difficult 35-yard catch made by sophomore receiver Jeff Melsheimer came in between rushing scores from junior running back Paddy Toole and junior running back Tyler Dale. Dillon freshman quarterback Michael Cahill also added three points in the kicking game with a field goal.

The Big Red lost sophomore David Durkin due to a broken leg, but sophomore captain John Walsh said the team was prepared to perform without him.

"We lost a key player today," Walsh said. "Durkin broke his leg, but the rest of the team looked good because we are so well coached. We are looking forward to week two."

The Angry Mob was unable to put up any points on the scoreboard, but junior captain Keenan Bailey responded positively.

"I'm proud of my freshmen," Bailey said. "The foundation looks good; however, the scoreboard does speak for itself."

O'Neill returns to action Sunday at 1 p.m. for a matchup with Keenan at Riehle Fields, while Dillon has a bye week to prepare before facing Stanford on Oct. 4.

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Ryan 28, Lyons 0

By TORI LLORENSSports Writer

Calm and collected, Ryan easily bested Lyons on Sunday for a 28-0 victory and strong start to the season.

After catching three touchdowns from freshman quarterback Jennifer Moore, Wildcats senior captain and receiver Erin Clark said she was happy with her own performance and the outcome of the game as a whole.

"It was a really strong start to the season," Clark said. "A lot of girls really stepped up. The first years who had never played in a game before just went in and hit the ground running, and a lot of the upperclassmen showed really good leadership today."

Clad in yellow with black face paint, freshman Mia DiCara made an impact on the Lyons offense. Despite the loss, she said she had hope moving forward.

"We did a lot of learning throughout the game, but I thought it was a pretty positive experience for us," DiCara said. "I think we're going to work a lot on getting together as a team and working as a team and working on our plays."

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In moving forward, Clark said she still sees areas for improvement, especially in light of the high number of penalties the Wildcats drew.

"Little things really," said Clarek. "Just making sure the defense is keeping up communication. Today, we had a couple plays where we hurt ourselves, lost yards here and then. Just perfecting that stuff so we're not giving the other team any free yards. Working on timing. Sharpening up some things. Timing is everything."

Lyons next faces Pasquerilla West at LaBar Practice Complex at 6 p.m. Sunday, while Ryan will face Breen-Phillips at 5 p.m. on the same day, also at LaBar.

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Keenan 7, Keough 0

By JOE EVERETT Sports Writer

On a balmy afternoon at Stepan Fields, Keenan began its march back to the champion-ship Sunday with a 7-0 shutout of Keough.

The first game of the season for both teams was a defensive struggle throughout, with neither side finding a consistent offensive rhythm. The deadlock was broken in the third quarter, however, when Keenan senior quarterback Aaron DiGenova, with the help of a tenacious

offensive line, scrambled around the pocket and eventually found freshman receiver Lukas Cepkauskas wide open for a 60-yard touchdown down the field. The big third-down play drew the praise of junior captain Michael Koller after the game.

"I think we played well," Koller said. "Our freshmen played really well today, and the offense really stepped up as a whole, because normally we don't have a strong offense."

Keenan's defense was certainly up to the task of stopping the Keough offense, as the Knights consistently found their way into the backfield to disrupt plays early, taking advantage of their opponent's shaky offensive line.

Keaough junior captain and quarterback Matthew Mooney said the offensive line was his team's biggest weakness.

"We struggled blocking people up front today," Mooney said. "We got in a lot of thirdand-longs, and that stalled the offense."

Senior Anibal Torres led Keenan's relentless defense all day long, constantly breaking into the backfield and harassing Keough and Mooney, who was intercepted in the fourth quarter to seal the win for Keenan.

However, Mooney said he was pleased with the team's performance.

"We played a really good team today, but I think our team competed against them well," Mooney said. "Our defense played great; the difference was just one big play."

Keenan looks to continue its

winning ways at Riehle Fields on Sunday at 1 p.m., where it will face O'Neill, while Keough looks to enter the win column when it meets Stanford at Riehle Fields at the same time.

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Morrissey 20, Duncan 0

By MAUREEN SCHWENINGER Sports Writer

Morrissey came out in full force against Duncan this past Sunday in a 20-6 finish. Sophomore captain and quarterback Declan Zidar said it was the Manor's first step in retaining the interhall title.

"I think we played well — ran well, but the defense was great," Zidar said. "Expanding the playbook is really the next step."

The Manor featured a run game which seems to have only improved since last year. Despite Zidar saying last week he planned to emphasize the passing game, the team elected to run the ball on 25 out of 27 plays.

Senior running back Hunter White finished the day with over 100 rushing yards. He was met with little resistance and scored all three Morrissey touchdowns. Although White lost the ball in a second-quarter fumble, Duncan was unable to capitalize on the turnover.

The Highlander offense was left to play catch-up all game, hitting nine of 18 passes and struggling to get its run game on its feet. Its lone touchdown came

late in the fourth quarter, barely avoiding a shutout.

On the other side of the ball, the defense, led by junior captain and defensive end Steve Treacy, was simply not able to win the battle at the line of scrimmage.

"Miscommunication up front really killed us," Treacy said. "The scheme we had didn't really work out for us, but we made some adjustments and played a really good second half. We played tough, and I'm proud of that."

The Highlanders look to review their zone blocking schemes before facing off against Knott this Sunday at 1 p.m. at Riehle Fields, while Morrissey will continue its title defense against Alumni in the same location at 3:30 p.m.

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St. Edward's 3, Fisher 0

By TONY ZAPPIASports Writer

St. Edward's emerged victorious Sunday, defeating Fisher, 3-0, in a defensive struggle which saw more turnovers than points scored.

However, what this matchup lacked in points it made up for in drama.

Early on, Fisher attempted to wear down the St. Edward's defensive line with the power run, but having its only drive of the first quarter thwarted on fourth down, Fisher opened up the playbook and mixed passes and runs for the remainder of the game.

Fisher's junior captain Shannon Massey said his team could have used more practice to better its offensive woes.

"To be honest, we just didn't have enough practice time to install everything we wanted," Massey said. "We played hard; we just didn't have enough time."

St. Edward's offense also struggled early as relentless blitzing forced the Gentlemen to begin running an option attack.

The game remained locked at 0-0 well into the fourth quarter. However, in a game with few successful long passes, it was ultimately a lengthy completion which set up St. Edward's sophomore kicker Brandon Ryan to kick the go-ahead field goal with five minutes remaining.

"I was really glad we got the kick, especially since we hadn't practiced it that much," St. Edward's junior captain Phineas Andrews said.

Freshman cornerback Brian Ball sealed the game for St. Edward's with an interception in the end zone on Fisher's ensuing

 $Summing\,up\,the\,win, Andrews$

said there is work to be done.

"It feels good to get the win," Andrews said. "And our defense played really well, but our offense is still working some things out."

Both teams will be looking to shake the rust off going forward as the Gentlemen face Carroll on Sunday at 2:15 p.m. at Riehle Fields, while Fisher has a bye week before facing Sorin on Oct. 4.

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Walsh 18, Breen-Phillips 6

By MONTANA GIORDANO
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Walsh's defense was just too much for Breen-Phillips to handle Sunday night at the LaBar Practice Complex. The Wild Women defeated the Babes, 18-6, to earn a week one victory in their quest to a playoff return.

Walsh junior co-captains Courtney Davis and Moira Tripp said they were excited about their team's performance.

"I'm really proud of how we played today," Tripp said. "We have a pretty young team, and they seem to learn things pretty quickly."

Walsh's stingy defense and the performance of freshman quarterback Catherine Moseley led the Wild Women to the victory.

"Our freshman quarterback, Catie Moseley, did a great job today," Davis said. "She definitely had the biggest impact on the game."

The Babes offense struggled to move the ball and was held scoreless for the first three quarters. Dropped passes and poorly executed handoffs plagued the Babes.

Breen-Phillips sophomore captain Megan Resnik credited the mistakes to her team's youth and inexperience.

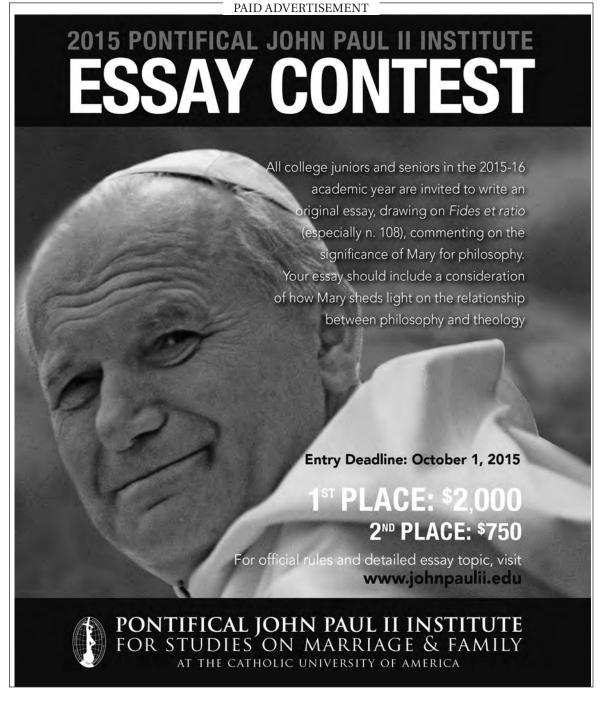
"We are a very young team, and this is the first time a lot of these girls have played flag football," Resnik said.

Despite the loss, Resnik said she took some positives out of her young team's performance.

"I was impressed how we gradually got better, which usually is the opposite of what happens," Resnik said. "We started to pick up the speed of the game as the game went along."

The Wild Women look to polish up their game as they head into next week's matchup with Cavanaugh at 6 p.m. at LaBar Practice Complex, while the Babes will look to rebound after Sunday's loss, when they take on Ryan on Sunday at 6 p.m.

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Belles put together strong start to week

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Soccer

Saint Mary's looks to earn its second straight victory when it takes on Calvin tomorrow afternoon at the Junior Irish Airport Fields.

The Belles (1-5, 1-3 MIAA) earned their first win of the season Thursday in a decisive 4-1 game over Trine. The four-goal effort against the Thunder (1-5, 0-4 MIAA) bucked a slow start to the season which has seen the Belles score just one goal in the first five games of the season.

The Belles trailed in the game early after conceding a goal in the 11th minute, when Thunder sophomore midfielder Gigi Jarratt scored her first goal of the season. However, Belles junior forward Liza Felix scored in the 27th minute to bring the game to a tie going into halftime. In the second half, the Belles scored three goals in the final 14 minutes of play, as junior defender Emily Rompola scored twice off corner kicks, and junior midfielder Kate Vasile found the back of the net in the 90th

Following the game, Belles head coach Ken Nuber said he was proud of his team's efforts

"We played well today to earn our first conference win of the season," Nuber said. "Very proud of the players. I feel we have done enough to have three wins already this season, but sometimes, you don't get the result. Today, we were not going to be denied and came back from an early one-goal deficit."

Tomorrow, however, the Belles face a tough matchup when they host the Knights (6-2, 4-0 MIAA), who come into the contest with a sixgame winning streak. During this streak, Calvin has outscored its opponents, 13-3. They have been led by the strong play of junior forward Carly Veenstra, who leads the team with five goals and two assists on the season, all of which have come during the Knights' winning streak.

After playing three games in six days last week, The Belles' match with Calvin is its first since Thursday. Nuber said the time off has been beneficial for the team.

"We needed the time to get healthy," Nuber said. "Senior [midfielder] Kathleen Lueking has not played in the last two-and-a-half matches, and she is key for us. We have a few players who are playing through some injuries so these six days [have] really helped the team."

The Belles will kick off against the Knights tomorrow at 4 p.m. at the Junior Irish Airport Fields.

Golf

Saint Mary's will compete in the first MIAA conference jamboree of the year Wednesday at the Medalist Golf Course in Marshall, Michigan. This is the first of five conference events over the next three weeks. The first jamboree will be hosted by Olivet.

"I am very excited for this

upcoming conference season," Belles head coach Kim Moore said. "I really feel we have a strong team that can compete with the top teams in the MIAA. I expect our team to ride the momentum we have from our previous O'Brien tournament and continue with their consistent play."

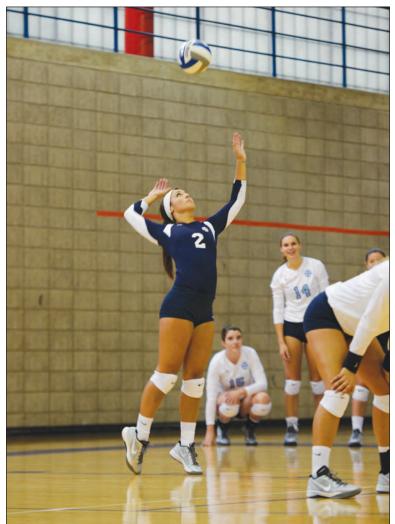
Moore said she is expecting big things from juniors Ali Mahoney and Courtney Carlson, as well as freshman Taylor Kehoe.

"I expect our number one player, Ali Mahoney, to continue her stellar play and be that consistent base for our team this conference season," Moore said. "I also expect some good things out of Taylor Kehoe and Courtney Carlson. They have been practicing very well, and I hope that confidence continues on to next week and the rest of this season."

Moore said she believes her team's previous tournaments this season have given it much needed experience for the conference schedule.

"Our team is always looking to improve," Moore said.
"We are always working on our flaws so that we can turn our weaknesses into our strengths. I feel that our previous events have been great preparation going into our first MIAA jamboree.

"One lesson we learned is that we have the players on this team that can play with a lot of the good teams in Division III. We should be able to compete with the likes of Hope, Olivet and Trine. We are looking to start off strong this Wednesday



CAITLYN JORDAN | The Obser

Sophomore outside hitter McKenzie Todd serves during a 3-0 sweep of Manchester at Angela Gym on Sept. 1.

and put up one of our best team scores of the year."

Volleyball

After a stretch of tough competition last week, Saint Mary's only dropped one set in two victories at the Milikin tournament over the weekend.

In their first match at the tournament, the Belles beat Webster, 3-1 (25-21, 23-25, 25-18, 25-18). The Belles put together a .258 attack percentage and were able to close out close sets after they struggled to do that last week at home against MIAA foes Adrian and Calvin. Senior outside hitter Katie Hecklinski posted 12 kills, nine digs and three aces, while junior outside hitter Meaghan Gibbons led the team with 16 kills.

Rose-Hulman, to finish tight sets. The first two sets were close before the team shut the door in the third to complete the sweep (25-23, 25-22, 25-18). Hecklinski again had a solid game, earning 15 kills to go along with 14 digs. The Belles posted a .250 attack percentage, which was very similar to the .258 they posted in their first game. Junior setter Clare McMillan added 22 assists, while sophomore defensive specialist McKenzie Todd also tallied 14 digs for the Belles.

For their efforts, Hecklinski and Gibbons were named to the all-conference team at the conclusion of the tournament. Saint Mary's will return to conference play when it hosts Kalamazoo on Tuesday. That game is the first in a string of four conference games for the Belles.

Cross Country

Saint Mary's returned to action Friday in the Spartan Invitational on the campus of Michigan State.

Junior Brittany Beeler once again led the Belles. Beeler finished with a time of 24:25, which was good for 99th place overall. The Spartan Invitational did not include team scoring, but the Invitational hosted over 300 runners from all levels of college running.

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Meaghan Gibbons led the team with 16 kills.

Against Rose-Hulman, the Belles again continued to finish tight sets. The first two sets were close before the team shut the door in

The race was won by Michigan State junior Rachele Schulist. Schulist finished with a time of 21:01.

The Belles are set to return to action next Saturday at the MIAA jamboree. The event will be hosted by Hope and take place at the West Ottawa Golf Club in Holland, Michigan.

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Junior captain Courtney Carlson tees off during the Michiana Crosstown Clash at Elbel Golf Course. The Belles will compete at the Medalist Golf Course on Wednesday in the first MIAA jamboree of the year.



Senior outside hitter Haley Bonneval attacks the net in a 3-1 victory over Mississippi State during the Golden Dome Invitational on Sept. 11. The Irish return to Purcell Pavilion on Friday against Louisville.

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we've worked on is making sure we're placing our arms over the net more. We just want to make sure everyone is doing their job, doing our serves well. I don't think we had many serve errors, and our defense was really good."

Despite the strong start against Ball State, Notre Dame stumbled during its second game against South Dakota, losing 3-2 (25-23, 20-25, 25-14, 19-25, 15-6). In the games the Irish won, their attacking percentages were high, and when they lost, their attacking rates were .125, .161 and

The Coyotes had a total of 64 kills in the five sets and most of their players contributed to their success offensively. Sophomore setter Brittany Jessen had a total of nine kills, 12 digs and 47 kills to help lead South Dakota to the fiveset win.

"Not too sure what hap-[against South Dakota]," Fry said. "I don't know if we weren't focused, but we definitely learned quickly from that loss and used what we learned against Purdue."

Notre Dame was able to win a set against No. 22 Purdue, but it didn't do enough to win the match,

losing three sets to one (25-12, 24-26, 28-26, 25-16). The Irish made it interesting with a win in the second frame, but despite giving the Boilermakers a tough third set, Notre Dame wasn't able to put away a second straight set to take the lead. Purdue then won the final set convincingly to take the match and win the Boiler Box Challenge with a 3-0 record.

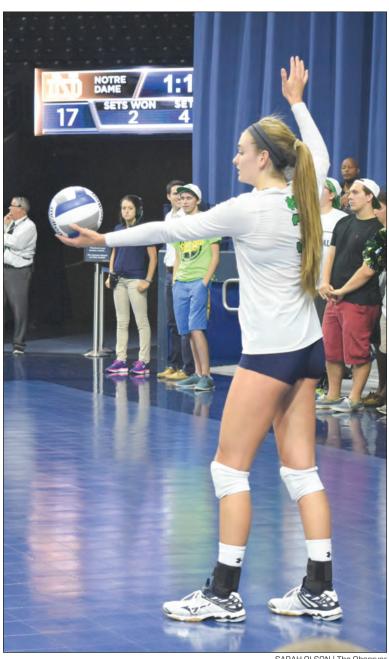
"They had a really good hitter on the right side," Fry said. "We were back to working hard against Purdue, and they're a really good team. We were able to take a set against them. Even though we lost, we played well and got better as it progressed."

Fry led the team with 15 kills in their game against Purdue. Kuhn also added another 13 kills. At the end of the tournament, Fry was given all-tournament honors for her performance over the weekend.

"I don't like to be an individual type of player," Fry said. "I like the aspect of a team. It was awesome I was awarded that, but I'm more focused on the team."

Notre Dame will have a chance to redeem itself Friday as it opens conference play against Louisville at Purcell Pavilion at 7 p.m.

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Sophomore outside hitter Sam Fry serves during Notre Dame's 3-1 victory over Mississippi State at Purcell Pavilion on Sept. 11.

Football

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and three scores on the ground Saturday, and while his 91-yard score garnered the majority of the headlines, Kelly said the senior's ability to fight for a couple extra yards is also impressive.

"He's tough to bring down," Kelly said. "His lower-body strength is really so much more than people think. He runs through tacklers and he's difficult to bring down.

"Sometimes we'd like to finish his runs off with his pads a little bit lower. I thought he was better at it on Saturday, but he's very difficult to bring down. He's a big kid."

Kizer's starting debut

In his first game as Notre Dame's starting quarterback, sophomore DeShone Kizer went 21-of-30 for 242 yards and a score, but also tossed an interception in the end zone to cut short a potential Irish scoring drive in the second quarter.

Kelly said he was pleased with the sophomore's first start, but also noted there were areas for improvement.

"He did some pretty good things," Kelly said. "You know, I like the way he manages the offense from a protection standpoint, gets us into the right protections. Run game, reads were pretty good.

"Could be a little more accurate throwing the football.

And just made the one mistake in the red zone on the interception, which was obviously a big one."

The Irish had a high number of illegal procedure penalties Saturday, which Kelly attributed mostly to unfamiliarity with the new signal-caller.

"It still is a little louder at home with the new construction," Kelly said. "But it is mostly getting used to DeShone. He kind of elongated his cadence sometimes with some pressures and movement in front of him, and the guys just weren't used to it, quite frankly."

At the end of the day, Kelly said, each of Kizer's mistakes was correctable.

"All of them are things he can learn from and grow from," Kelly said. "And so I thought from a first-time start, beating a nationally-ranked team, I thought it was a good way for him to get his first start."

Folston injury update

The man Prosise started the season behind on the depth chart, junior running back Tarean Folston, underwent surgery Thursday in Florida and returned to campus Saturday night to begin rehab. Folston tore his right ACL during Notre Dame's 38-3 win over Texas on Sept. 5.

Redfield absent Saturday

Junior safety Max Redfield, a usual starter in Irish defensive coordinator Brian VanGorder's defensive scheme, did not see the field during Notre Dame's 30-22 win over Georgia Tech on Saturday

Kelly said the absence was the result of two factors: Redfield's broken thumb and tailoring a defensive plan to counter Tech's triple-option

"You know, we had made a decision that [senior safety] Elijah [Shumate] would be playing, chiefly be middle of the field for us," Kelly said. "And then obviously, when we went to the two-safety look, it was [sophomore] Drue [Tranquill] and [graduate student Matthias Farley's] position.

" ... [Redfield] was in a backup position because of the option, and then his hand — he obviously didn't play very well the week before with it, so that's what put him in a backup position."

Kelly said Redfield, who wore a cast on his hand against Virginia after breaking his thumb during the game against Texas the previous weekend, would be evaluated this week, and could return to the starting lineup against Massachusetts.

"I think we'll probably have a conversation with him, see how he feels," the Irish head coach said. "And then go to work Tuesday and see how he is out on the field."

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and bounce right back to where we were last week."

As the No. 2-ranked team in the nation with conference and national championship aspirations, every opportunity for the Irish to prove themselves will be an important one. Their ranking is likely to take a dip in the coming days — they've dropped two matches since the last round of rankings were posted.

With that in mind, a win versus a scrappy Michigan State team that has garnered their share of top-25 votes would go a long way towards setting the team back on the right path. Klekota emphasized the importance of a road win as a means of avoiding a downward spiral in the loss columns and the rankings.

"Obviously the game is important because a win gets us off this losing streak," Klekota said. "We do not want to make losing a habit, and this game is a great opportunity for us."

So great an opportunity, in fact, the Irish haven't even begun to think about the matchup with the defending champion, Virginia, that awaits them when they return home.

"To be honest, no one has mentioned UVa yet because Michigan State is such a big game," Klekota said.

A win over Michigan State is far from assured, though. The Irish will have to shore up their defense in order to prevail over the Spartans — after giving up four unanswered goals against North Carolina, a measure of defensive stability will need to be restored in order to give the Irish offense a chance to establish a lead.

Klekota said he believes the game will allow the Irish defense to play to its strengths. The Spartans have struggled to establish their offense recently as well, managing only one goal in their past three fixtures, a trend the Irish defense hopes to continue.

"We like to use every game as a chance to show our strengths," Klekota said. "It's a great game to show our style but by no means will we use their lack of scoring in their recent past as a reason for good defense. They are a good offensive team and it just hasn't fallen for them yet. It's our job to go out, work hard, and do everything right defensively. If we do, I think we have a good shot at getting a good result."

A good result is especially vital considering the strength of the competition the Irish look to face in the coming weeks. Six of the Irish's nine remaining regular season fixtures feature teams either currently ranked or receiving top-25 votes in the most recent polls. The Irish's strength of schedule carries a great deal of weight, but the team needs to win a majority of those high-profile matchups to maintain its place in the national rankings.

As far as Klekota and the team are concerned, though, the future does not matter beyond Tuesday night. The Irish face off against Michigan State at 4 p.m. at the DeMartin Soccer Complex in East Lansing.

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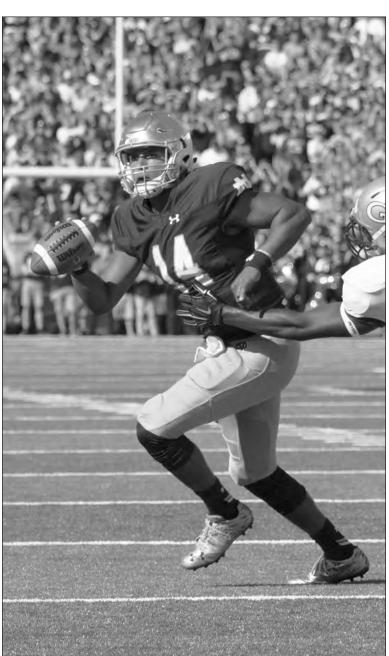
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CANCER (June 21-July 22): A unique situation will develop due to a discussion with someone you look up to or respect. Listen carefully and make a personal decision based on your gut feelings and your ability to deal with whatever results unfold.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Use your strength, courage and wherewithal to get things done on time. Your ability to react quickly to whatever situation you face will help you achieve what you set out to do. A personal change will lead to compliments.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Keep the peace. Do things that will help you gain knowledge and allow you to view your position and options thoroughly before you make a decision that will affect your personal life. Don't overreact regardless of what others do or say. ★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Gather information and get involved in projects or events that you deem worthwhile. The people you connect with will change the way you view your personal life. Don't let anyone bully you into settling for less. ★★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Look for unique, unfamiliar or unusual ways to solve problems, help others and take care of your personal and professional interests. Choosing to take the road less traveled will separate you from anyone who tries to steal your thunder. ★★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Refuse to let what others do or say daunt you. Put everything you've got into the pursuits that suit you best. A personal change will increase your happiness and boost your standard of living. Romance will lead to a closer bond with someone special. ***

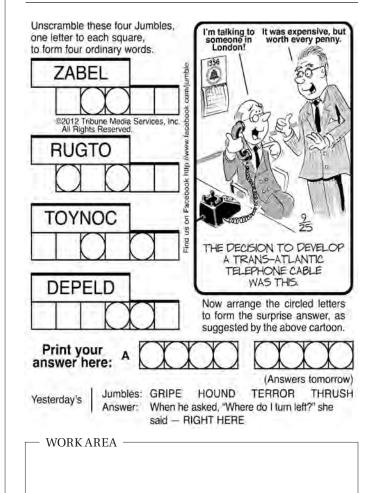
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Make up your mind based on the research you do on your own. Don't feel the need to make a hasty decision to accommodate someone who is pushy. An unusual opportunity to make a personal gain is apparent. Emotional issues will surface. ★★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Take care of financial, medical and legal issues. Don't let anyone bribe or push you into something that isn't a good fit for you. Be diplomatic and you will be able to bring about the changes that will make your life

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Expect to face an unusual roadblock. Don't trust anyone to take care of your responsibilities for you. Put your energy into taking action and honoring your promises. Leave nothing unfinished and you'll avoid criticism. Don't complicate your life. ★★★

Birthday Baby: You are courageous, proactive and tenacious. You are hardworking and dedicated

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SPORTS

MEN'S SOCCER

Notre Dame hopes for rebound after two losses

By BRETT O'CONNELL

Sports Writer

The No. 2 Irish seek to end their first losing streak of the season on Tuesday as they head to East Lansing, Michigan, to face off against Big Ten upstart Michigan State.

After suffering a disheartening loss at the hands of No. 3 North Carolina, giving up four consecutive goals en route to a 4-2 defeat, the Irish (4-2-1, 1-1-0 ACC) will seek to end their road stretch on a high note before returning home later this week.

Senior midfielder Connor Klekota expressed excitement about heading up to East Lansing, hoping for a chance for the team to prove itself capable of righting the ship following their first multi-loss streak of the season.

"The great thing about our schedule is we have opportunities each game to win a big contest," Klekota said. "[Michigan] State is a top team and the game gives us a quality chance to prove ourselves again to the country

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Senior midfielder Evan Panken pushes the ball forward in an exhibition against Valparaiso on Apr. 29 at Old Alumni Field.

ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish win one of three at Purdue

By MANNY De JESUS Sports Writer

The Notre Dame volleyball team traveled to West Lafayette over the weekend to compete in the Purdue Boiler Box Challenge, in which it finished 1-2.

The Irish (5-7) started off on the right foot Friday night, beating Ball State 3-0 (25-16, 25-18, 25-19). Sophomore middle blocker Sam Fry, sophomore outside hitter Sydney Kuhn and freshman middle blocker Meg Morningstar led the Irish throughout the match. The three of them helped Notre Dame achieve a .313 attacking rate, their highest percentage of the season. In addition to leading the team with 10 kills, Fry had a team-high five blocks. Kuhn provided eight kills and seven digs, and Morningstar added another seven kills for the offense.

Notre Dame finished their first set against the Cardinals with a 12-point

win, which ended with a serve error committed by Ball State. The second set was much more competitive between the two teams after being tied up at 10 points apiece. The Irish eventually pulled away from the Cardinals, going on a 9-2 run that gave them the win in the second set. In the final set, the Irish played exceptionally well on offense, posting 14 kills, which was too much for the Cardinals to handle. The Irish walked away with the sweep after a kill from Morningstar secured the final point.

Fry said the team's focus leading up to the weekend was primarily on their defensive efforts.

"We worked on our blocking," Fry said. "Throughout the past tournaments, that was part of the game that we wanted to work on. Working with the girls in the middle is sort of what I focused on. One of the techniques that

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF

ND takes fifth at Schooner Classic

Observer Sports Staff

In a weekend dominated by thunderstorms, Notre Dame set a school record for a 36-hole event when the rain-shortened Schooner Fall Classic finally came to a close late Monday.

At the end of the first round of the event Saturday, the Irish were slotted in fourth, led by freshman Emma Albrecht and as well. In particular, Albrecht junior Jordan Ferreira, who both shot rounds at even par. As a team, the Irish were two

Weather was not a factor in the first round of the Classic, but it caused several problems during Sunday's second round, which was delayed multiple times before ultimately being cancelled.

Play resumed on Monday morning and Notre Dame picked up right where it left off Saturday. As a team, the Irish were three under par, which was the third-lowest gross score in Notre Dame history. Combined with Monday's first round, Notre Dame finished with a score of 567 (one under

par), which was just the third time the Irish have ended a tournament under par in school history.

As a result of their 36-hole team totals, Notre Dame finished in fifth place overall at the Schooner Fall Classic.

Notre Dame's impressive team totals included individual performances that stood out broke Katie Brophy's 36-hole school record by shooting an aggregate 139 (three under par) in just her second collegiate tournament.

Oklahoma State the tournament by seven shots when play was completed Monday afternoon. Kansas sophomore Yupaporn Kawinpakorn won the individual portion of the tournament with an overall score of 131 (11 under par).

Notre Dame will have this upcoming weekend off before returning to action Oct. 5 at the Chip-N-Club Invitational. University of Nebraska will host the tournament in Lincoln, Nebraska.

FOOTBALL

Prosise runs his way into program record books



Senior running back C.J. Prosise pushes through a hole in Notre Dame's victory over Georgia Tech on Saturday on his way to 198 yards.

By ALEX CARSON Associate Sports Editor

When he ran away from a pack of chasing Georgia Tech defenders for a 91-yard touchdown Saturday, C.J. Prosise wrote his name into the Notre Dame Stadium record books — but it wasn't in the way Irish head coach Brian Kelly and his staff originally thought Prosise would when he arrived on campus as a freshman.

The senior running back began life at Notre Dame as a defensive back before switching to the offensive side of the ball as a receiver in 2012 — this year, he transitioned into the backfield after a strong spring practice at the position.

"I'm glad our defensive coaches didn't think he could backpedal very well, which kind of looks silly right now, doesn't it?," Kelly said during his Sunday teleconference. "So much for our evaluation process."

Prosise amassed 198 yards

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