

Student government issues report

Student body leadership offers recommendations to Board of Trustees

By RACHEL O'GRADY
Associate News Editor

As their final act as student body president, vice president and chief of staff, Bryan Ricketts, Nidia Ruelas and Sibonay Shewit will submit a report on diversity and inclusion at Notre Dame to the Board of Trustees on April 28.

Ricketts said the board report is a path forward for increasing diversity and inclusion efforts at Notre Dame.

"We took on this project to really talk about the student perspective on diversity and inclusion, because we really want to leave behind a structure that can really help facilitate a partnership between students, student leaders and administrators," he said. "I think, in the

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Simple assault reported

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An individual reported multiple instances of simple assault to a University administrator Monday, according to Tuesday's Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) crime log.

A simple assault is defined as an instance when "a person knowingly or intentionally touches another person in a rude, insolent or angry manner," University spokesperson Dennis Brown said in an email.

This definition is part of Indiana code, Brown said,

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Petition opposes Laetare decision

By SELENA PONIO
Associate News Editor

The announcement of the 2016 Laetare Medal recipients, Vice President Joe Biden and former Speaker of the House John Boehner, came with no lack of controversy in the Notre Dame community, and one of the strongest responses came in the form of a national petition opposing Biden as a candidate for the medal.

Allison Gower, the campaign manager of the national petition against the Laetare Medal decision, said the petition was a result of Notre Dame alumni and Catholics expressing their disapproval of Biden as an appropriate candidate. The petition was created by Sycamore Trust, an alumni organization dedicated to preserving and protecting the Catholic identity of the University of Notre Dame.

"These people are angered

because they feel Biden goes against many Catholic principals and beliefs the award should uphold," Gower said in an email. "For example, Biden does not support pro-life policies and is for same-sex marriage. The petition declares, 'We should seek to honor those who act to protect human life and dignity, from conception to natural death, who respect true marriage and the family,' which they feel Biden does not."

Bill Dempsey, the creator of the petition and member of Sycamore Trust, said the group rarely proposes petitions, but that this was a particularly egregious case that he felt the group needed to combine their voices of protest and share their reasons.

"This action is even more objectionable than was the honoring of President Obama, who is not Catholic and whose opposition to the

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Smashburger to replace Burger King in LaFortune

By KATIE GALIOTO
News Editor

The 18-year reign of Burger King in LaFortune Student Center will soon come to a close.

Starting next fall, a Smashburger will open in its place, Notre Dame Campus Dining, Student Government

and Student Activities Facilities announced early Wednesday morning.

This decision was made in response to student feedback — gathered through surveys, focus groups and Student Government's online forum, Onward.

"The student feedback we received throughout the

multiple focus group sessions beginning in December of 2014 helped us collectively identify what brands fit in the retail dining portfolio," Chris Abayasinghe, director of Campus Dining, said. "... We looked to bring in a new and exciting brand — and

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ND increases security for Commencement ceremony

Observer Staff Report

The Office of the Registrar sent an email to students Tuesday morning regarding increased security measures for the University's 171st Commencement ceremony due to the presence of Vice President Joe Biden and

former Speaker of the House John Boehner, who will be jointly receiving the Laetare Medal during the ceremony.

"For security reasons, students participating in the University Commencement ceremony in the stadium should plan to arrive at the north entrance to the

Hesburgh Library beginning at 7:15 a.m.," the email stated. "Every student must be processed through airport-style security checkpoints by the U.S. Secret Service. After being cleared, students will proceed out

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The Avenue, an independent literary journal at Saint Mary's, had its release party Tuesday night at Rice Commons, an event that included readings from the publication. The Avenue is designed to encourage the expression of student thought and opinion.

THE NEXT FIVE DAYS:

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Happy Mother's Day

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Mother's Day
festivities.

Physics Colloquium

Nieuwland Hall of
Science
4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Discussion on
astrophysics.

Thursday

Canines and Caffeine

Brownson Hall
Courtyard
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
A study break with
dogs and coffee.

Mindful Meditation

Coleman-Morse
Center
5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
Open to students,
faculty and staff.

Friday

Study at the Snite Museum

Snite Museum of Art
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Free study spaces,
coffee and snacks.

Diavolo/Architecture in Motion

DeBartolo Performing
Arts Center.
7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Dance performance.

Saturday

Softball vs. Louisville

Melissa Cook Stadium
1 p.m.
The Irish take on
the Cardinals in a
doubleheader.

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Sunday

Marian Procession and May Crowning

Grotto
1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
Prayer and song
procession.

May Day Movie

DeBartolo Performing
Arts Center
2 p.m.
Showing "Black
Panthers."

Notre Dame Day raises record amount of funds

By SELENA PONIO
Associate News Editor

For 29 hours and 18 minutes, Notre Dame fans tuned in Sunday and Monday to watch a live broadcast of student performances and show their support for student groups by flooding the website with their donations.

Aaron Wall, the director of Notre Dame Day, said this year's number of monetary gifts from donors far surpassed that of last year's. A total of 21,478 gifts were given this year compared to last year's 16,550 gifts. In 2014, Notre Dame Day's inaugural year, 4,400 gifts were received.

"It's a year-long process, that's my full time job. Next year starts now," Wall said. "The whole idea of Notre Dame Day stems from the incredible student presence that we have on campus ... and the reality when we started this a couple years ago was that all groups on campus are required to do fundraising and the reality is that it's hard to do that."

This year, Glee Club, Saint Edward's Hall, the Ara Parseghian Medical Research Fund, Men's Rowing and Financial Aid occupied the top five spots on the leaderboard. Glee Club held the No. 1 spot

with over \$33,000.

Wall, a Notre Dame alum, said he remembers how hard it was as a student to fundraise for dorms or other student groups. He said Notre Dame Day is a day that helps to make this process easier and helps students alleviate some of the financial burden that comes with running various organizations. He said Notre Dame Day helps donors get more "bang for their buck" by redistributing funds back into student groups.

"We're not raising money for Notre Dame, we're raising it for the students," Wall said. "I'm always just surprised at some of the groups I did not know about before. Like the Military Veterans club that raises a scholarship for veterans to get MBA at Notre Dame."

"Ask yourself what you love the most and you can support it and use the million dollars that my team has raised ahead of time to multiply it."

Wall said his decision to attend Notre Dame 16 years ago was a transformative experience that has motivated him to continue working for the University.

"What I believe the case is, is that ... Notre Dame is not a perfect place, it never will be, it's made up of flawed people and

a flawed institution but that's okay," Wall said. "But there [are] so many good things about this place that people care so deeply about and that's why people are generous. We do a good job as a family because there are so many good things for you to support."

He said as an alum his main goal is to support the students here in any way possible.

"I know that transformative power of the University and I think as a community we have a great collective sense of that," Wall said. "We can always do better and invest in our community so that it can continue to thrive and continue to be excellent."

This year, Notre Dame Day raised money for 900 campus groups. These groups included all residence halls, athletic teams, student activities, Notre Dame alumni associations that give scholarships, academic departments and more. Last year over half of the \$1 million went to student residence halls and organizations and Wall said he expects the same thing will happen this year after finalizing the numbers.

Wall said his favorite part of his job is meeting students. He addressed some of the confusion students have with Notre Dame

Day, saying he can understand some of the confusion because when he was a student at Notre Dame, he never understood the fiscal reality of the University.

"The point being is that the number one thing I hear from students ... is that we're just raising more money for Notre Dame and the answer is simply that it isn't true," Wall said. "It is all about helping students and having the opportunity to raise money for what they care the

most about.

"I support the College Republicans just as much as the College Democrats. I know you as a group of students are really passionate about your groups and we as the University have to do more and more to support you and this is the fiscal way to do it. This isn't about raising money for anything but our students."

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Student starts non-profit benefiting South Sudan

By **ANDREA VALE**
News Writer

In 2005, Majak Anyieth left his family behind in South Sudan to go to Kenya in pursuit of an education. When he returned eight years later, he found that little had improved in his home country in terms of educational opportunities. Traditional conflicts between neighboring communities were still in full play — but Anyieth, having spent eight years in a different country, had realized that conflict wasn't always unavoidable.

"I learn[ed] from my experience in Kenya that I could live harmoniously with people from other communities ... I had been taught otherwise growing up," Anyieth, now a junior at Notre Dame, said in an email.

Motivated by his experiences, Anyieth started Education Bridge, a non-profit aimed at creating educational opportunities and lessening violence in South Sudan.

"Education Bridge is a non-profit organization that is striving to promote peace and education in South Sudan," Anyieth said. "We organize week-long seminars for teaching high school students nonviolent conflict resolution skills, teamwork, negotiation and other entrepreneurial skills. In so doing, we also invite students to learn about other communities and challenge many stereotypes that fuel inter-communal conflict in the country."

According to Anyieth, in the past Education Bridge has run conflict resolution seminars as well as a campaign titled "I Need Peace." The campaign aimed to "help voice the will of ordinary people who are suffering the consequences of a recent conflict that left 2.5 million people displaced and many thousands dead."

Anyieth noted that illiteracy and "traditional hostilities" have led to many young South Sudanese citizens becoming involved in intertribal conflict and other forms of violence. Subsequently, Education Bridge works to confront two major issues within the country: education and violence.

"South Sudan has one of the lowest literacy levels in the world, merely at 27 percent," Anyieth said, "That of girls is even worse at 16 percent. The lack of education means lack of human capital in the country. No health systems. 51 percent of the country lives below poverty line. Because of illiteracy and economic struggles, there is a lot of violence involving cattle raiding and other disputes. We believe education can open a door for a more peaceful and prosperous country ... It is for this reason that we are doing everything we can to provide

educational opportunities for young South Sudanese. We hope in so doing, we will not lose another generation to illiteracy, poverty and violence."

Education Bridge is currently working on constructing a secondary school in Bor, South Sudan. Once completed in January 2017, the school will provide much-needed educational opportunities to 200 students

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Majak Anyieth
junior

and, Anyieth hopes, "inter-communal dialogues ... providing them with educational opportunities but also with a chance to learn about other communities; deconstructing stereotypes and highlighting our oneness." The school will employ the non-violent conflict-resolution seminars previously developed by Education Bridge.

"I was awarded the Dalai Lama fellowship last year, which provided us with some funding to help start the project," Anyieth said, "Right now, we are fundraising the remaining funds to help finish our school construction this summer and to help organize teacher training in preparation for opening in January 2017. We need \$15,000 to finish everything."

"We have also started partnering with different organizations like Mercy Beyond Borders, which will be providing scholarships to some of our students from poor families. Though it causes only \$300 to attend school for one year, not many families can afford [it]. These scholarships will also be critical to promoting girls' education, as many families are hesitant to invest in girls' education for cultural reasons."

Students who wish to help can donate unwanted books to Education Bridge's book drive, or donate to school-building efforts.

"I [hope] that through Education Bridge, I can mobilize a group of like-minded people, to put our time and energy into changing the fate of our community by creating educational opportunities and rethinking how we tell our stories to foster a created of a more united country," Anyieth said.

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New course examines Cuba and the Church

By **COURTNEY BECKER**
News Writer

Less than two years after President Obama reopened the United States embassy in Cuba, Fr. Bob Pelton, director emeritus for the Center for Pastoral and Social Ministry, and Dr. Peter Casarella, professor of theology, are taking advantage of the newly reestablished relations by offering a theology course that will explore the relationship between the Catholic Church and the socialist regime in Cuba.

Casarella said the course will examine the contentious history between Cuba and Catholicism and the steps being taken to reconcile the two.

"The course looks at the relationship between the socialism of the government and the principles and practices of the Catholic Church," Casarella said. "When the Cuban Revolution took place in the 1950s, it was very bad for the Church. ... Since the trip of John Paul II to Cuba in the late 1990s, and subsequently with the trips of Pope Benedict and Pope Francis, there's been a policy of detente, of rapprochement."

Leaders in the Church also played a large role in improving the relationship between the United States and Cuba, Casarella said, making this course, which includes a trip to Havana, Cuba, over fall break, possible.

"By all accounts, including that of President Obama, the opening up of the embassy ... started with Pope Francis and with Cardinal Jaime [Ortega, the Archbishop of Havana]," he said. "I'm not saying it was completely the role of the Church to start this political development, but by all accounts, Pope Francis and Cardinal Jaime Ortega were important spurs in this important, new development in political relationships between the United States and Cuba."

Pelton, who has taught similar courses in the past, said this one will be set apart because of the opportunity these new relations provide to gain a broader understanding of Cuba through the class's trip to Havana.

"I think it's going to be different because of the fact that we're into an entirely new moment in terms of the warming of relations between the United States and Cuba," Pelton said. "I think it's providing a whole new opportunity to look at a style of government, which wouldn't be the choice of most people in this country, but on the other hand, are there not certain things that might be learned from that experience, and what's the Catholic Church been doing in the midst of all this?"

Before arriving in Havana, the class will first stop in Miami, where students will have the opportunity to engage with Cuban-Americans, Casarella said.

"The most important devotion to of the Cubans is Our Lady of

Charity, and we're going to stop in the shrine of Our Lady of Charity in Miami, and if all goes well we'll have a dialogue with Cuban-Americans about what their perspective on Cuba is," he said. "It's often very different from that of the Cubans, so we're interested in the process of reconciliation between Cuban-Americans and Cubans."

According to Casarella, students who applied for the course were required to read and converse in Spanish to some extent so they would be able to understand untranslated readings and communicate with Cuban students.

"There [are] many challenges, and the way that we're going to go about examining them is to study the history of this relationship between the Church and the regime, even in its antecedents and preceding centuries so we're well-informed when we get there," he said. "The most important thing is to develop ties with the people there, and I'm hoping that the students will meet Cuban Catholic students and can just talk to them."

Pelton said the course readings and organized events will provide students with the necessary tools to better engage in dialogue with Cuban students during the trip to Havana.

"We're going to set up some occasions for our students to mingle with Cuban students, and I think we're going to be able to find good ways to do it. Because of some of the reading that they will be asked to do, they're going to do a far better job than they would were they just to drop down for a week and just talk to people because we're going to give them, hopefully, a pretty good background for that and they can fly with it," he said.

Casarella said he is interested to see how much progress has been

made in Cuba since he visited the country four years ago.

"Probably we're going to still encounter abject poverty in the center of Havana, we're going to still encounter people who are discontented and not sure what's going to happen with their future," Casarella said. "Catholic youth in particular — this from my experience [in Cuba] four years ago — don't know if they'll ever get a job because of the depressed economic conditions, and because once it comes out that you go to Church and have an active Catholic faith, you're discriminated against."

According to Pelton, this course will provide a foundation to start thinking about the future of Cuba.

"It's not naive reflection, it's serious reflection," he said. "The system of Cuba is still a very tough system, but they're extraordinarily competent, and musicians and artists, and this is something we haven't paid much attention to, and we could learn a bit from that. ... I think we need to open up and to listen, to learn and to be good people."

Casarella said he hopes students emerge from the trip and the course with greater curiosity.

"You want students to really come out of it thinking, 'Wow, I've got to go back and learn more of what's out there in the world,'" he said. "It's like getting your feet wet or whetting their appetite. You want them to go and learn more about global Catholicism, about Latin America, about the Church beyond their parish or their local experience and you want them to see that there's this convergence between talking about international and using our own propaganda."

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Church, so far as it was known at the time, was limited to abortion,” Dempsey said in an email. “Vice President Biden’s opposition is broad. He is the highest-ranking Catholic pro-choice politician who also supports same-sex marriage, public funding of embryonic stem cell research and the Obamacare contraception mandate that Notre Dame is fighting in court. [Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades] is plainly right in condemning Notre Dame’s action as scandalous.”

Dempsey said the decision to award Biden the medal shows that Notre Dame does not take seriously the Church teachings that Biden rejects.

“Notre Dame’s action will confirm in their error Catholics who share Biden’s dissenting views and arm dissenting Catholic politicians in their opposition to Church position,” Dempsey said. “Besides, what I find incomprehensible is that [University President Fr. John Jenkins] would take this action knowing full well that it would once again open a breach with Notre Dame’s bishop and once again bring strife into an occasion that should be one of unalloyed celebration for graduating seniors and their families.”

Gower said the original goal of the petition was 1,000 signatures. However, as of April 6 the petition has over 2,400 signatures that range from members of the Notre Dame community to people in foreign countries.

Dempsey said Sycamore Trust did not propose rescinding the award because they thought it would be futile.

“What we hope is that the fellows and trustees will take appropriate action to insure against a repetition and to repair relations with Bishop Rhoades,” Dempsey said.

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selected Smashburger.”

The project has been in the works for the past two years, Abayasinghe said, and stemmed from student feedback asking for premium options for burgers, chicken and salads on campus.

Construction on Smashburger — a national fast-food chain and serves burgers, chicken, salads, sides and milkshakes — will begin immediately following Commencement weekend this May. The restaurant’s opening date is set for the beginning of the new academic year.

Junior Erica Tabor, Student Government director of communications, said administrators and student leaders considered a variety of alternative restaurants to

replace Burger King.

“What I am most proud of — and what I think is a good reflection of the mission of our Executive Board — is that our aim was to accurately represent and serve the student body,” she

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Erica Tabor
director of communications
student government

said. “I think this is a good beginning to our term and sets a precedence that we are working on improving communication between students and administration, and continuing positive change in our Notre Dame community.”

In student feedback, Tabor

said she noticed a significant number of students asking for new or improved campus dining options and hours.

“We are extremely excited to bring Smashburger to LaFortune,” she said. “Their mission emphasizes fresh, wholesome and natural ingredients, which is moving toward a healthier option of burgers than others often offered on college campuses.”

Abayasinghe said Campus Dining is planning to implement more changes and initiatives at Notre Dame in the near future.

“We’re planning the North Dining Hall renovation, a number of new restaurants for the Duncan Student Center and renovations into select restaurants currently on campus,” he said.

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Security

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the Hesburgh Library south exit and will line up in a secure area on the library quad.”

Processing students through security is a “meticulous and time-intensive process” the email said.

“Late-arriving students could encounter long lines and may not clear the checkpoints in time for the start of the ceremony,” the email said. “During the 2001 and 2009 presidential commencement visits, some students underestimated the time it would take and were not inside the facility when the ceremony began.”

According to the tentative schedule posted on commencement.nd.edu the academic procession into Notre Dame Stadium will begin at 9 a.m. and the Commencement ceremony will begin at 9:30 a.m.

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past 10 – 15 years, there has been a substantial increase in ... the students who are committed to diversity.”

Ruelas said she has seen vast improvements even over the past four years she has spent at the University, particularly in the efforts initiated by both the administration and the student body.

“These efforts are ongoing, and I think that what we’re trying to do is just to give [the board] a direction to go, and a way to make it all fit together, and how we make a unified effort to address a pretty complex topic,” she said.

After receiving significant negative feedback on the treatment of diversity and inclusion in the Moreau First Year Experience course, Ricketts said the report explores improvements that can be made in the course’s curriculum.

“We really should look at Moreau as a kind of case study that really outlines some of the common themes regarding diversity and inclusion, where there is a sort of misconnection between different kinds of efforts and what students are perceiving,” Ruelas said. “Especially because Moreau is brand new this year, it’s been very ambitious, and we acknowledge that and we really appreciate that.”

The report addresses issues

with Moreau because it demonstrates student perception of the course, Ruelas said.

“In particular, we look at this and we look at how students view the course and

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Sibonay Shewit
former student body
chief of staff

view its shortcomings and the difficulties ... and sometimes, it’s difficult to see how steps are being taken to improve it,” she said.

The administration is aware of these shortcomings, Ruelas said, and is truly working to improve them.

“We know there have been plenty of effort in trying to get feedback, and improve,” Ruelas said. “There are just a lot of pieces to figure out, and that makes it hard to figure out what to do next.”

The report highlights three issues that can be addressed in future iterations of the course, Ruelas said.

“The first one is that the course is meant to address

the sort of lack of community, and try and build it from day one, and that’s why it’s a first year experience course,” Ruelas said. “The second one is that it’s a very big instrument for preparing and cultivating a readiness for conflict and conversations any time at Notre Dame. The third one is that there has been ... these defensive cycles, where the students are saying there are problems and we’re not seeing solutions.”

This cycle starts when the students get angry, Ricketts said, and continues when the administrators cannot be fully forthcoming about the changes in the course.

“It’s this feedback loop of not actually having the conversation,” Ricketts said. “And I definitely think we’re highlighting it, not because of the discontent but because of it exemplifies this loop.”

The report also addresses the lack of consideration for diversity within the faculty hiring process at the University, Shewit said.

“So there’s nothing in the hiring process that talks about or addresses diversity directly, which we thought was important, not only because it’s an issue ... but also because it doesn’t address diversity of competency, and we’re prepared to talk about it and engage with it,” Shewit said.

Shewit said a major goal of the report is to advocate for the creation of a community that was more welcoming to

a diversity of opinions and ideas.

“This ... is such a big part of the University’s vision and mission, and if they claim that it’s part of their commitment, which they do, it should be reflected in the hiring process,” she said.

Ricketts also said there needs to be more involvement by the students on

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Nidia Ruelas
former student body
vice president

the President’s Oversight Committee on Diversity and Inclusion.

“One of the important things to understand about the President’s Oversight Committee is that Fr. Jenkins uses the committee as a Notre Dame-specific approach to diversity and inclusion,” Ricketts said. “So rather than having just one person in charge of diversity, Jenkins told every executive that they were responsible for diversity in their department. Everyone has to hold themselves accountable.”

Ricketts said the committee would be “more complete with a student perspective.”

“And what they can take

away from it is a better way to serve the students,” he said.

According to Ricketts, this year’s report was “a lot more straightforward” than the report presented by student government last year.

“Our recommendations are all practical, and they’re all able to be implemented,” he said.

Bringing awareness to student needs is also important, Ruelas said.

“Even though we’ve been through this whole report-writing thing once, and know what it takes, it’s much harder to follow up — we’re out of office, but we really want these points to hit home,” she said. “We really want the University to pay attention to what their students are saying.”

Even if their recommendations are not implemented directly, Ruelas said she, Shewit and Ricketts would be happy with the change they enacted through their administration.

“We left room, there’s room for creativity, there’s room for innovation, there’s room for forward thinking and active participation on behalf of the University,” she said. “I think that that is important and something that should be built upon.”

In the grand scheme of things, the report is a call to see real change from the University, Shewit said.

“There are efforts from the students and efforts from the administration and there’s a disconnect right now ... and we want to see that unity in order to move forward,” she said.

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Assault

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and differentiates the crime from other types of assault such as aggravated, domestic or sexual assault or battery.

The alleged assault occurred multiple times in a Notre Dame residence hall and was classified as a Title IX

offense, according to the log entry.

Students did not receive an email from the University alerting them that a report had been filed because the crime was not deemed a timely threat based on the information available at this time, Brown said. This is in accordance with the Clery Act regulations.

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INSIDE COLUMN

About myself

Haleigh Ehmsen

Senior News Writer

I hate writing Inside Columns. This is only the second one I have ever written and I am somewhat proud of the fact that I have been on staff the last four years, even serving as Saint Mary's Editor, and could always avoid picking one up, pawning them off on my staff. But in a moment of weakness, or strength, I agreed to write one for the last regular paper of this academic year.

"The pain is not the story. What causes the pain and changes you is the story." I heard these words spoken by writer Harrison Scott Key at the Association of Writers and Writing Programs earlier this month. I was reminded of my own reluctance to write about myself because of the pain caused by the loss of my dad nearly five years ago.

Part of why I hate writing Inside Columns is because I hate writing about myself. It's not easy to remember the pain of losing my dad and often it overshadowed my thoughts as I battled depression. I tried to think of less heavy topics for an Inside Column each time I was presented with the opportunity to write one, but instead I found a willing writer. Choosing journalism and preferring to write about others was becoming a cop out for me to avoid my own narrative.

When I came to Saint Mary's, I knew it would become my home and that I would learn a lot, but I could never have imagined how these things would come to be. I've come to understand what it means to educate the whole student and view writing as a way of healing. Blessed Basil Moreau, the founder of the Sisters of the Holy Cross said, "The mind will not be cultivated at the expense of the heart."

The holistic education offered at Saint Mary's taught me: to look outward, you must first look inward. In my courses, my travel, my friendships, my writing, these past four years, my mind has been cultivated and my heart healed.

In this last year, I have come to understand the healing powers of writing about myself, the pain and the way it has changed me. I realize now that I don't have to write about my dad's death, but instead I can write about the power of my Saint Mary's education and the way it transformed my life. Each course and experience taught me more about my passions and my place in the world. Ultimately, I couldn't have continued to heal without my friends and roommates, my professors and mentors, my mom and my sister and perhaps without this Inside Column.

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The things we cannot say

Elizabeth Hascher

Dignified Response

The August before my junior year of high school, I visited campus for the first time as a prospective student. The University of Notre Dame had previously existed only in my imagination, and it seemed perfect. It was in a location that would be just far enough out of my comfort zone, its name alone would surely propel my medical school application to the top of the pile and it was a place where I could enjoy football season and life under a beautiful, golden dome.

As an admitted student returning to campus the February of my senior year, Mary shone just as brightly as I remembered. I worked many hours since that first visit to get here, and I had finally made it. Even the polar vortex that consumed the Midwest that winter could not deter me from falling in love with this campus — what I saw then as a little slice of heaven.

Freshman year, I made a promise to myself that I would always appreciate the opportunity I have been given to study and grow at such a wonderful university. Today, I am still just as grateful for the many things that my Notre Dame education has given me. However, two years into my Notre Dame education, the dome does not shine quite as brightly any more. The glimmer of the gold has been dimmed, hidden beneath a cloud of thoughts that remain unspoken.

Here at Notre Dame, students can choose from 75 different degree programs and countless course offerings. We study a variety of subjects, ranging from philosophy to mechanical engineering to Portuguese. But despite the many things we can talk about in class, at panels and in presentations, there are so many more that are off limits here at Notre Dame.

Throughout this year as a columnist for The Observer, my peers have suggested topics for me to write about. For every suggestion I've gotten, however, I've been told five times that publicly expressing my opinion on such things would be a "bad idea," or something I really "shouldn't do." In fact, for me to even provide examples of such topics would be considered risky.

At Our Lady's University, to act contrary to established norms, to challenge those in power or to express an opinion that does not align with selective interpretations of Catholic social teaching is to essentially become a heretic. As students, we should be free to discuss a variety of viewpoints and decide for ourselves what arguments we agree with. We

should have the freedom to question the norms and the power structures in society and at this university. Instead, our voices are silenced, our questions remain unanswered and those who do speak up run the risk being ostracized.

We can't openly talk about discrepancies between the enforcement of du Lac amongst the dorms. There are questions that would be considered extremely inappropriate to ask guest speakers here which students at other universities do not even hesitate to raise. We do not dare to openly discuss with professors the inequalities and injustices they experience in life or at this institution.

Additionally, the reasons why Notre Dame will not fund certain opportunities and experiences for students must remain unspoken. Disagreeing with actions of the administration is unimaginable, unless it is to argue for a stricter enforcement of Catholic ideals. The mention of anything that portrays the University in a negative light is considered an unthinkable act.

We can't talk about these things because to do so would mean we would have to acknowledge that they exist, that our community has problems and that something must be done about them. But as long as we don't talk about them, we don't have to worry about it. However, we don't really have any problems here. After all, as the carefully-crafted façade exemplifies, "this is Notre Dame," this is a "Catholic institution" and everything is perfect when you're a member of the Notre Dame family.

Notre Dame's prestige and identity as a Catholic university in itself is not bad — in fact, this is a large part of what makes it attractive to so many. But we must be cautious not to let this negatively affect our relationships as students in this community or hinder the discussions we allow ourselves to have. The things we can say on a college campus, and particularly at this university, should only grow more numerous as time goes on — as we learn new arguments, make more discoveries and open ourselves up to ideas of difference and challenges to the norm. The widespread perception that there are innumerable things we cannot say here at Notre Dame must be put to an end.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Accessibility

Thank you, The Observer staff, for your thoughtful series last week on disability at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's. It is an extremely important topic worthy of continued attention and priority.

We agree wholeheartedly that our community must be inclusive and accessible in order to allow students, faculty and staff to flourish during their time here, and experience Notre Dame to the fullest. We hope to clarify one point made in the editorial published last Friday that made reference to the accessibility of our historic halls.

Our residential tradition is indeed a hallmark of the Notre Dame undergraduate experience, and while it would be difficult to achieve full accessibility in each of the historic halls short of tearing them down, we are pleased to note that, already included in the next planned cycle of renovations outlined by Vice President for Student Affairs Erin Hoffmann Harding in her letter to the campus community this past January, all historic halls on the renovation schedule will be modified to

ensure that they can be easily entered and that their common areas, restrooms and a complement of student rooms will be fully accessible to all students. The University is firmly committed to designing renovations, such as those that will be incorporated into Walsh Hall during this next year, that will provide every student access to any hall to visit classmates and friends without concern for accessibility.

We look forward to continuing improvements to the spaces and places that make our community distinctive, and we hope that this further information is of help in our ongoing campus conversations.

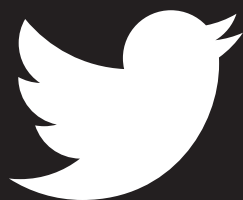
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White robes and black

Ray Ramirez

The Crooked Path

Confessions extracted under duress or torture are inherently suspect. Perhaps the best summary of the evils of torture and confession-based convictions was the U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Chambers v. Florida*, announced on Lincoln’s Birthday in 1940. Following a lurid show trial, Florida convicted four African-American tenant farmers of murder, based on confessions extracted after six days of nonstop questioning. The state courts upheld the ruling, but the Supreme Court reversed the convictions and declared, “Under our constitutional system, courts stand, against any winds that blow, as havens of refuge for those who might otherwise suffer because they are helpless, weak, outnumbered or because they are nonconforming victims of prejudice and public excitement.”

The author of those words, Justice Hugo Black, was a 1937 Roosevelt appointee who provided support for emergency recovery programs designed to pull the country out of the depression. Justice Black was attacked by many conservatives because of his support for Roosevelt’s programs and his efforts to use the Bill of Rights to protect vulnerable minorities. Despite these accomplishments, it is misleading to describe Black as an unalloyed hero for justice and supporter of the weak and downtrodden: 17 years before he wrote the *Chambers v. Florida* decision, Black joined the Robert E. Lee Klan No. 1 of Birmingham, Alabama, and remained an active member for two years.

In the treatise “Amoris Lætitia,” Pope Francis called on the Church to be more attentive to the good that can be found “in the midst of human weakness.” There was a lot of good to be found in Black, but his greatest weakness may have been a pragmatic tendency when faced with a difficult situation. Black’s own explanation for joining the Klan as a young lawyer speaks to this inclination: “I was trying a lot of cases against corporations, jury cases, and I found out that all the

corporation lawyers were in the Klan. A lot of the jurors were too, so ... I wanted that even chance with the juries.”

Black’s low point as a jurist was his 1944 opinion for *Korematsu v. United States*, which supported the relocation of Japanese-American citizens from the West Coast after the attack on Pearl Harbor. In dissent, Justice Frank Murphy said, “Such exclusion goes over the very brink of constitutional power and falls into the ugly abyss of racism.” Black’s explanation for the court’s decision upholding Roosevelt’s removal order was chillingly expedient: “We ... were at war. People were rightly fearful of the Japanese in Los Angeles, many loyal to the United States, many undoubtedly not, having dual citizenship — lots of them.” At a time when “prejudice and public excitement” focused on a group of people seen as the enemy within, Black came up disappointedly short.

The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. provided a caution and some hope when he said, “The arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends towards justice.” Fortunately for the legacy of Black, he was blessed with a long life, and more opportunities to apply his love of the constitution to seek justice for his fellow man. Almost two decades after the shame of *Korematsu v. United States*, the Supreme Court had the opportunity to rule on a series of cases that clarified the worth of the individual in the true currency of democracy — the right to vote.

The landmark 1962 *Baker v. Carr* decision struck down a Tennessee scheme established in 1901 that led to a disparity in voting power of 23-to-1 (rural-to-urban) by 1960 for state House districts, declaring that the Court could review equal protection of the law as guaranteed by the 14th Amendment. Subsequent cases (*Gray v. Sanders* in 1963 and *Wesberry v. Sanders* in 1964) tackled voting dilution strategies used by Georgia to favor rural areas, establishing the principle of “one person, one vote.” Black’s opinion in *Wesberry v. Sanders* reestablished him as a champion for individual worth, as he parsed the writings of James Madison on the Bill of Rights and proclaimed, “No right is more precious in a free country than that of having a voice in the election of those who make

the laws. ... Other rights, even the most basic, are illusory if the right to vote is undermined.”

Recently, the Court reaffirmed the “one person, one vote” standard in *Evenwel v. Abbott*. The Court held that a proposed arrangement by Texas conservatives to ignore non-citizens, children, felons and other ineligible voters in establishing the number of people in a voting district unconstitutionally denied equal protection to the uncounted. The opinion by Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg cites with approval Black’s words from *Wesberry v. Sanders*, “While it may not be possible to draw congressional districts with mathematical precision, that is no excuse for ignoring our Constitution’s plain objective of making equal representation for equal numbers of people the fundamental goal. ... That is the high standard of justice and common sense which the Founders set for us.”

Justice Clarence Thomas wrote a separate opinion in *Evenwel v. Abbott*, ignoring 50 years of precedent on voting rights, complaining that the Court’s *Wesberry v. Sanders* opinion “ ... failed to provide a sound basis for the ‘one-person, one-vote’ principle because no such basis exists.” In a convoluted and highly-targeted reading of Madison’s notes, he discovered near total relinquishment of voting matters to the states. In seeking the splinter of states’ rights in Madison’s eye, Thomas ignored the crushing beam of racial discrimination that is at the core of these nefarious schemes to dilute voting rights. Black shed the white robe of ignorance and racism, and left a legacy that, while flawed, contains epic defenses of personal rights. Unfortunately, the weighty responsibility of protecting the rights of us all that attends the justice’s black robe seems to diminish and enfeeble those out of harmony with the arc of the moral universe.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Look within, see beyond

“What are you doing after graduation?”
I am going home for the summer. Although a short response, this answer explains it all. Yes, I don’t have a job. Yes, I am a business major. Yes, I don’t have my life figured out. No, I am not a failure. No, I am not alone. I just need time to get to know me, to think, to love life.

As a first-year student nearly four years ago, I was immediately sucked into the “Notre Dame family,” forced to become the definition of what it meant to be a “Domer.” Instead of receiving the freedom I desired and expected, I was limited to choose my dorm, my roommate and my courses. Instead of having the ability to define myself, I was put into a stereotype of the “white majority,” of which I neither associated with nor belonged. I grew up in an area of Texas where I was a minority in race, in religion and in socioeconomic status. I felt the need to conform, without having the chance to reflect, discover and learn. As I joined clubs, attended lectures and took courses, I never thought twice about why I was doing something, only about what it was that I was doing.

Am I doing enough? Is what I am doing good enough? Should I do more?

I absent-mindedly talked the ND talk and walked the ND walk. I never said “no.” I overscheduled myself. I didn’t

allow myself the time to reflect, to learn just to learn, to be spontaneous, to live. I forced myself to live by a schedule that was too rigid to incorporate new interests, passions and even relationships. Life became a routine, from which I struggled to escape.

As my four-year career comes to a close, amidst all the stress, coursework and extracurricular activities, I have begun to think differently. Last week, I texted a friend who I hadn’t talked to in months and who helped me realize I never asked the right questions. “College pressures us to really keep reaching out to the external, but I think that internal discernment is really what we need to ground us. Hopefully graduation allows us to really reflect and dig deeper in ourselves.”

I am ready for a new kind of academic experience after graduation. I am ready to learn the piano, to refine my language skills, to get to know people on a deeper level, to understand what motivates and to be wholly and fully me. I am not taking a break from my responsibilities or abandoning my education. Rather, I am enhancing it, reflecting on it and taking a risk to become my best self, so I can better serve the world around me by offering my whole self with all talents, passions and abilities.

Don’t get me wrong. I have generally enjoyed my time

at Notre Dame. Because no place is perfect, I can’t make an absolute statement here. I have struggled here, I have performed here and I have made lasting friends, but more importantly, I have transformed, and I need time to cultivate that transformation. I am proud of my decision to take the time to understand me this summer. If I could restart my four years, I would focus on only two activities, choosing to do only what excites me and defines me. I would reserve time for spontaneity to be with others. I would relax.

Do not let the pressures of Notre Dame, other students, family or the stereotype of you (what others think about you or encourage you to be) coerce you to do things that may not satisfy you. Take the time to be yourself. Be spontaneous. Foster relationships. Look at your schedule and cut out what you are not passionate about. If you can do that now, do it. You are not alone, and if you have the same questions and doubts now that I did, do not be ashamed to take time for yourself. We decide our own happiness, so we need the time to do so.

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senior
April 21

Thank you from the MSA

A week ago, the Muslim Student Association (MSA) organized our second “Hijab Day.” More than 200 people stopped by our booth in front of DeBartolo to ask about the hijab (specifically the headscarf) and Islam, to experience the hijab or simply to grab a free scarf and a Krispy Kreme. Hijab Day was an invitation to the Notre Dame community to understand the hijab, the concept of modesty associated with it and the reasons Muslim women choose to, or not to, wear it. It was also a platform to initiate open dialogue about the hijab and show solidarity with the Muslim women who wear it.

MSA would like to sincerely thank the Notre Dame community for the overwhelming support and the feedback that we received from various sources. Based on the feedback,

we see that the goals of Hijab Day — to create understanding, solidarity and conversations — were successfully achieved. We could not be more grateful to be a part of a welcoming community here at Notre Dame. As a minority group, we were blessed to be given this opportunity to educate the campus on one small aspect of our faith. We welcome all suggestions on how MSA could better educate on the hijab either through Hijab Day or any other means; they can be emailed to ndmsa@nd.edu.

Muslim Student Association
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2016 record grab-bag

By **JOHN DARR**
Scene Writer

Throwback playlists and favorite albums are the bread and butter for any music listener, but sometimes you need something new. Here we look at some fresh records released in 2016 that might add some spice to your music library.

dvsn: “Sept. 5th”

Though the indie scene has been spouting out a whole lot of PBR&B lately (from The Internet to Majid Jordan to Gallant), there are a surprising number of records that manage to stand out from the pack. dvsn writes lyrics so overtly sexual they’d make Miguel blush. Thankfully, that lack of subtlety is made up for in the restrained, textured instrumentals behind each track on their excellent debut record “Sept. 5th.” Crisp drum machines that range from cascading 64-bit crunchers to reverb-soaked ’80s throwback kits provide a spine for gorgeous, ethereal synth backdrops navigated by flawless vocals that are nothing short of seductive.

4/5

Lil Yachty: “Lil Boat”

Lil Yachty is yet another left-field

rapper/auto-tune abusing singer who, following in the steps of Lil B, is more than happy to tell you how much he loves you in one line and then demand you warm his bed in the next. His debut mixtape “Lil Boat” is marked by consistently amateurish, but surprisingly pretty, lullaby-esque trap beats that mirror the divide between friendliness and straight-up misogyny that permeate his lyrics. Essentially, Lil Yachty tries to have the best of both worlds. When he manages to strike that balance on “Minnesota (Remix),” “Out Late” and “We Did It (Outro),” the results are wonderful. But when he doesn’t, it’s a childish mess.

2.5/5

Sarah Neufeld: “The Ridge”

Violinist and composer Sarah Neufeld collaborated with experimental saxophone legend Colin Stetson on one of last year’s most exciting records, “Never Were the Way She Was.” This year, she’s back with “The Ridge,” a truly fantastic work that stretches her playing to its brink. Sarah’s clean, airy vocals add a lovely human element over meticulously-constructed string arrangements and acoustic drums throughout the record, allowing the album to straddle the line

between artsy precision and sheer sonic beauty without falling too heavily on either side. Technically stunning and emotionally rich, “The Ridge” is an early contender for the best record of 2016. If any artist is able to craft a song more beautiful than “Where the Light Comes In” before the end of the year it will be a miracle.

4.5/5

Hammock: “Everything and Nothing”

What sets apart beautiful music from music that is simply pleasant is singularity. Though Hammock’s sweeping, ambient guitar lines have wooed listeners in the past, the inclusion of a heavier, more memorable production style on “Everything and Nothing” pushes their music to a new level. With dreamy vocals, fuzzy drums and their signature reverb-soaked riffs, Hammock expands their palate beyond the prettiness of their first records and into far more rewarding territory.

3.5/5

The Drones: “Feelin Kinda Free”

Australian art-punk band The Drones has the bite and freshness of a live

piranha on your arm. Guitar music has rarely sounded as punishing as it has on bone-grinding record opener “Private Execution” or as paranoid as on the wonky string plucks of “Taman Shud.” “Feelin Kinda Free” is a record that manages to present new ideas every song while maintaining a razor-sharp focus of pained skepticism and unflinching wit. “The best songs are like bad dreams,” Gareth Liddiard snarls to start off the record. By the end, you’re convinced.

4/5

Deftones: “Gore”

Deftones released another Deftones record that sounds like Deftones. Razor-sharp production, solid songwriting, epic guitar riffs cleaner than Main Building’s bathrooms and Chino Moreno’s bafflingly-unusual yet pitch-perfect vocal melodies. Though Gore boasts little to differentiate it from other Deftones records aside from a touch of warm major-key shoegaze fuzz, it’s still a wholly enjoyable listen and a good gateway to metal for anyone looking to stick a toe in.

3/5

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SUMMER READING



By **CATHERINE OWERS**

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Finding a copy of Tana French’s first novel on the bottom shelf of my library’s fiction collection was one of the best days of summer. So I’m eagerly anticipating the sixth book in her “Dublin Murder Squad” series, due out in November. Until then, I’ll have to content myself with other titles.

For many people, the word “summer” evokes freshly-mowed grass, melting ice cream cones and mosquito bites. For me, summer means drinking copious amounts of iced tea, stretching out the length of the sofa, reading. When the air conditioning makes the house too cold, I take refuge on an old wicker chair on the patio or brave the spiders in my garage. The largest source of stress in my summer is generally keeping sand and pool water off library books.

An English major to the core, the phrase “summer reading” never struck fear into my heart – or maybe that’s because I was an enormous kiss-ass. I have fond memories of reading the assigned books from my grammar school’s curriculum: “Frindle,” “Kavik: The Wolf Dog” and “Anne of Green Gables” loom large in my recollections of

summer. The heat and humidity that characterize New Orleans summers heighten the experience of rereading classics like “To Kill a Mockingbird,” intensifying the setting, or create an experience when reading Irish detective fiction featuring cold, dark alleys, damp quays and misty mountains.

Summer is the best time for reading both highbrow and lowbrow works. My summer reading list usually consists of a smattering of classics that I haven’t already covered in literature classes, rereading all the books in a favorite series (ahem, “Harry Potter”) and new releases. This year, my list includes the Russian greats, such as Anna Karenina, more Dickens, “A Confederacy of Dunces,” Julia Child’s “My Life in France,” all of Ann Patchett’s fiction, more Margaret Atwood, Italo Calvino’s “If on a Winter’s Night a Traveler,” Elena Ferrante’s “Neapolitan” series and “Just My Type: A Book About Fonts.” In terms of new releases, here are eight books I’m looking forward to reading this summer:

May 17, Rivka Galchen: “Little Labors”

Since reading “Atmospheric Disturbances” for my contemporary U.S.

fiction class this semester, I’m eager to read more of Galchen’s work, and this new collection of stories, lists and essays promises to be just as delightfully enigmatic.

May 17, Mary Kay Andrews: “The Weekenders”

I’d say Mary Kay Andrews is a guilty pleasure, but I have no guilt whiling away a summer afternoon with Southern chick lit.

May 31, Neil Gaiman: “The View from the Cheap Seats: Selected Nonfiction”

This may be literary blasphemy, but I was one of the few who didn’t adore “The Ocean at the End of the Lane,” but I still enjoy Gaiman’s authorial voice and look forward to this collection.

June 28, Alice Adams: “Invincible Summer”

Alice Adams’ first novel seems very much in the line of Meg Wolitzer’s “The Interestings,” following the journey of four friends over the course of 20 years and perfect for a quiet summer evening.

July 5, Bill Loehfelm: “Let the Devil Out: A Maureen Coughlin

Novel”

Since taking a class on detective fiction while studying abroad in Dublin, I’ve been working my way through classic and contemporary mysteries. I haven’t read the earlier works in Loehfelm’s Maureen Coughlin series, but I’m going to do my best to catch up with the series before the new installment arrives.

July 31, J.K. Rowling and Jack Thorne: “Harry Potter and the Cursed Child”

The script book for the play “Harry Potter and the Cursed Child,” which is being advertised as the eighth story in the Harry Potter series, isn’t without controversy, but I’m eager to see where Rowling and Thorne take our beloved characters in their adult lives.

Aug. 30, Louise Penny: “A Great Reckoning”

I’m very much looking forward to the newest installment in Penny’s excellent Inspector Gamache series, which has only improved with time.

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Riverlights Festival will be taking place May 5-7, showcasing South Bend as a scene for new music. The festival will include performances at various venues throughout the city. Riverlights is an opportunity to support local venues and these local artists:

Flint Eastwood

Island Park, May 6 at 8:45 p.m.

By Brian Boylen

Before checking out this lineup, I had not heard of the indie pop artist hailing from Detroit, but I'm certainly glad I found her. Her music offers catchy, well-performed hooks laid over some interesting electronic sounds. One song in particular that I can't stop replaying, "Glitches," is a pretty traditional-sounding pop song that also manages to feel fresh and original. The hook, "Glitches on my radar / Coming from the sonar" is firmly rooted in my head. Her latest EP "Small Victories" is available on Spotify and Bandcamp, and is worth checking out. Recorded in the second-oldest church in Detroit, the project is an enjoyable listen that at the same time manages to convey a very personal feel that many pop albums lack. Flint Eastwood will be playing May 6 at Island Park. If you were a fan of the BØRNS concert hosted by Legends, you should definitely check out Flint Eastwood for more quality pop music.

The B.E.A.T.

McCormick's, May 5 at midnight

By Erin McAuliffe

I saw After Ours open for Ratboys at McCormick's in April. Arthur Schroeder and Eli Kahn took the stage and had the crowd dancing in oscillations to their artfully mixed beats. Schroeder stayed behind his drum set at the the back of the stage, but Kahn repeatedly switched from his feet to his knees up front – playing guitar and messing with the loops on the lit up sound board at his feet. The B.E.A.T. is After Ours plus rapper MC: "The B. EAST (vox), E. LROY (guitars/madness), A. RT-AMISS (drumset), T. OGETHER." The South Bend act delivers danceable beats, poignant and smooth with a certain accessible locality. On their track "Breaking Bad," MC spits "Caviar and Pop Tarts are a guilty pleasure / I'm a generic numeric, with a tilted letter / That's an alpha-numeric male in the dingy sweater / So cold got you wearing coats like ND weather" while Schroeder drums and Kahn strums a constant twirly ambient beat with jazz influences. Their 2014 EP "Undercover" features mixes of RadioheadxKendrick Lamar ("National Rigamortis") and Gucci ManexCake ("Juicebox"). On their Bandcamp site, The B.E.A.T. touts "live loops and effects on the spot that typically require studio manipulation" – get to O'Rourke's the night of May 5 to listen (and dance) for yourself.

The Tumbleweed Jumpers

Seitz Park, May 7 at 9 p.m.

By John Darr

The Tumbleweed Jumpers rock a clean, small-ensemble indie-folk sound that's sure to have you swaying and smiling should you catch their set on Saturday. Their debut EP "The Tether to the Weather" boasts an enjoyable range of tunes that jump from a fusion of Paul Simon and hopping ska ("Jethro"), classic rock and banjo (title track) to harmony-rich hipster catharsis ("Valley"). Their music carries a promise of a large stage presence; as enjoyable as their recording is, the tunes carry dense and energetic arrangements that are sure to transfer well in a live setting. As a headlining act with a batch of solid tracks, they're definitely not a group to miss.

Brittany Lee Moffitt

Century Center, May 6 at 7:30 p.m.

By John Darr

Brittany Lee Moffitt's solo debut EP finds the singer/songwriter utilizing a combination of acoustic and synthetic instrumentation that provides an engaging backdrop to her soaring vocal melodies. Her vocal stylings are quite diverse, and it's clear the Chicago artist has talent and ambition to spare. It will be incredibly interesting to see how she melds the acoustic and electronic in her Riverlights set; be sure to catch the show so you can say you can say you were an early fan once she makes it big.

Chris DuPont

Island Park, May 6 at 4:15 p.m.

By Adam Ramos

Cathartic like the warm embrace waiting for me upon my return home post-finals, (exams haven't even begun and I'm fantasizing about hugging my father, things aren't looking so good) Chris DuPont's ambient blend of traditional folk and Americana is a can't-miss at the Riverlights Festival next weekend. DuPont, accompanied by his three-piece band, recently stopped by Notre Dame to perform at Lakeside Music Festival, showcasing the group's most recent record, "Outlier." The sunny setting of the Carroll Hall lawn provided the perfect venue for the Michigan native and company as they grooved to lush cello vignettes, brush percussion arrangements and sultry falsettos; onlookers were mesmerized by the tranquility of it all. Making his return to the South Bend area once more, DuPont will bring with him a powerful ability to reflect his band's collectively-poignant sound with equally-emotional lyrics. "Outlier" features DuPont's tasteful musing on topics like his recent fatherhood, the toll of being a traveling musician on relationships and his concept of faith – most obvious on the chilling album closer, "Antiphon." The combined effect amounts to a heartfelt musical experience, an experience amplified live via DuPont's impressive presence and the group's inner-band synergy, so be sure to catch their festival set.

Night Hikes

O'Rourke's, May 5 at 9 p.m.

By Kelly McGarry

This indie duo consisting of Olivia Godby and Matthew Farrell got together in fall of 2015, according to their Facebook page. The adventure that is their namesake could very well refer to an evening stroll around St. Mary's Lake, as both are members of the Notre Dame class of 2016. Olivia on guitar and Matthew on keyboard create a dreamy sound. They've already brought their synth pop performances to nearby locations such as The Well in Mishawaka, and will be a part of Riverlights on Thursday, performing at O'Rourke's. The duo has released two performance videos: "Secret Song" is an eerie original filmed in the chapel of an unidentified dorm. They submitted "Filmmaker" for an NPR tiny desk contest, which creatively tells a story set in a "lo-fi town bar scene." Surreal vocals and mesmerizing rhythms make Night Hikes an interesting but easy listen.

River Lights

SPORTS AUTHORITY

NHL seeding system is flawed



Ryan Klaus
Sports Writer

“This doesn’t feel like a first-round series.”

If I had been fortunate enough to receive compensation for every time I heard that phrase or something to its effect from players, coaches or media during the first-round series between the Chicago Blackhawks and St. Louis Blues, then it would be safe to say I’d be in a much more advantageous financial position now than I was two weeks ago.

But despite how tiresome listening to statements pushing this rhetoric became, it is undeniable that every single one of them was true.

The first round series between the Blackhawks and Blues did not feel like a first round series, mainly because of the simple fact that, well, it shouldn’t have been a first-round series.

The Blues and Blackhawks finished with the second- and third-highest point totals in the Western Conference, respectively. When the conference overall grants eight playoff spots, it doesn’t take upper-level analytical skills to realize that there may be something awry about two teams in the top half of the league’s playoff field playing each other in an eight-team, first-round format. However, due to the NHL’s dubious playoff seeding strategy, that was the unfortunate reality.

Two years ago, the NHL drastically overhauled its regular season divisions and, subsequently, its playoff format. In particular, the league abated its number of divisions from six to four and changed the playoff design so that the top three teams in each division would be kept in the same subset of the overall playoff bracket, thus forcing the second- and third-place finishers of each division to play each other in

the first round.

From the perspective of the regular season, the reasons for the realignment were certainly defensible. The league’s objectives of making its divisions more geographically appropriate and ensuring that all 30 teams would play in all 30 arenas every single season were both accomplished with the changes.

However, the unique playoff design is not nearly as logical. Simply put, there is no reason for the NHL to accommodate its regular season divisions in its playoff seeding process. Seeding on regular-season record and point total is the easiest and most cogent method, but it has been an approach that the NHL — for some absurd reason — has consistently refused to adopt.

The NBA, which has the same number of playoff teams annually and has always oddly strayed away from seeding solely on individual records, finally moved to such a format this season, and it would be surprising if they ever moved away from it going forward. Geography may be one of the most rational justifications for keeping the peculiar NHL design, but the NHL’s blatant disregard for coordinating playoff game times with the actual location of games renders that argument utterly meaningless.

Blackhawks-Blues will undoubtedly be considered one of the most entertaining playoff series of this year’s Stanley Cup Playoffs. It is unfortunate that the NHL has positioned itself so that the quality of its entertainment will likely decrease as its playoffs progress.

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NBA | RAPTORS 102, PACERS 99

Pacers fail to hang on despite George’s 39 points

Associated Press

TORONTO — DeMar DeRozan scored 34 points and the Toronto Raptors held on for a 102-99 victory over the Indiana Pacers and a 3-2 lead in their first-round series Tuesday night when Solomon Hill’s 3-pointer was ruled after the buzzer.

The Raptors overcame 39 points from Paul George and a 13-point deficit in the fourth quarter, getting 14 points from Kyle Lowry.

Bismack Biyombo had 10 points and 16 rebounds for the second-seeded Raptors, who can clinch the first seven-game playoff series victory in franchise history by beating the Pacers in Indiana on Friday night.

George Hill had 15 points and Myles Turner 14 for the Pacers, who led by as many as 17 and never trailed through the first three quarters before coming unglued

in the fourth.

The Pacers made 13 of 29 from 3-point range but struggled from all over the floor in the fourth, making four of 15 shots and scoring just nine points in the period.

Trailing 90-77 to begin the fourth, the Raptors tied the game with a 15-2 run. Powell stole the ball from Monta Ellis and made a fast-break dunk to knot it at 92-all with 6:31 remaining, sending the sellout crowd of 19,800 into a frenzy.

After Powell’s basket, neither team scored again until DeRozan hit a tiebreaking 3 with 4:15 remaining. After a missed 3 by Ellis, Cory Joseph hit another 3 for Toronto, putting the Raptors up 98-92 with 3:26 left.

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Indiana had the ball under

Toronto’s basket with 2.7 seconds left. Ellis inbounded to George, who fed Solomon Hill, and Pacers players threw their arms up in celebration when his shot from the left side went through the net. But video replay confirmed that the shot came too late.

With George on the bench, the Raptors closed the gap with a 13-1 run to begin the second, making it 36-33. George returned and hit a 3 at 8:05, snapping a streak of seven straight missed field goals by the Pacers. George scored seven of the next 10 Indiana points before Toronto called timeout. DeRozan scored 13 in the second while George had 10 as the Pacers led 61-52 at halftime.

George scored 15 points in the third, including an 8-for-8 performance at the free throw line, as the Pacers took a 90-77 lead into the fourth.

MLB | WHITE SOX 10, BLUE JAYS 1

Sale stays undefeated as White Sox grab win

Associated Press

TORONTO — Chris Sale won again, pitching eight sharp innings and leading the Chicago White Sox over the Toronto Blue Jays 10-1 Tuesday night for their fifth straight win.

Sale (5-0) has won all of his starts this season and leads the majors in victories. The lefty ace has a 1.66 ERA.

Sale carried a one-hitter into the seventh inning, retiring 13 straight batters before Edwin Encarnacion homered. Sale gave up four hits in eight innings, striking out six and walking two.

Dioner Navarro hit a two-run homer and Avisail Garcia and Adam Eaton added solo shots for Chicago.

The three home runs, 15

hits and 10 runs were all season highs for the White Sox.

R.A. Dickey (1-3) allowed six runs and eight hits in six innings. The knuckleballer is winless in his last four outings and dropped to 2-6 in 12 career games against Chicago.

Austin Jackson got three hits and drove in two runs. Every White Sox batter had at least one hit.

Chicago won its fifth in a row against the Blue Jays.

Sale had two streaks end in the victory, giving up his first earned run after 22 consecutive innings without one, and seeing his active MLB-best streak of 76 batters without a walk end in the first when Jose Bautista earned a free pass.

Garcia hit his third home

run, a drive that smacked the facing of the second level beyond the center-field wall.

The White Sox broke it open with three runs in the fifth. They loaded the bases with none out after they successfully challenged Brett Lawrie being called out at third, after he turned for home only to find the coach sending him back to the bag.

Jackson hit a two-run double and Eaton added a sacrifice fly.

Chicago chased Dickey in the seventh, with Navarro homering against his former team.

Encarnacion hit his third home run of the season, and 200th as a Blue Jay, into the fan deck on the second level above the center-field fence in the seventh inning.

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NBA | RAPTORS 102, PACERS 99

Raptors hold off last-second comeback

Associated Press

TORONTO — DeMar DeRozan finally turned in the All-Star effort Toronto has been waiting for in the playoffs.

DeRozan's big game, and an even bigger Raptors comeback, put Toronto on the brink of a second-round berth.

DeRozan scored 34 points and the Raptors held on for a 102-99 victory over the Indiana Pacers and a 3-2 lead in their first-round series Tuesday night when Solomon Hill's 3-pointer was ruled after the buzzer.

"I just felt like my normal self," said DeRozan, who came in shooting 29.6 percent (21 for 71) over the first four games of the series but connected on 10 of 22 shots in this one.

"It's all about patience," DeRozan added. "You can't get flustered, you can't get frustrated. You've got to stay the course. That's what we're going to continue to do."

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points and 16 rebounds for the second-seeded Raptors, who can clinch the first seven-game playoff series victory in franchise history by beating the Pacers in Indiana on Friday night.

"If we don't come in (Friday) with the mentality like we had in the fourth quarter, it's going to be a long game," Raptors coach Dwane Casey said.

George Hill had 15 points and Myles Turner 14 for the Pacers, who led by as many as 17 and never trailed through the first three quarters before coming unglued in the fourth.

"It's awful to have had a chance to win on the road, go up 3-2, and come back home," George said. "Once again, we failed to live up to that moment."

Jonas Valanciunas scored 11 and rookie Norman Powell had 10 for Toronto.

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Ellis and made a fast-break dunk to knot it at 92-all with 6:31 remaining, sending the sellout crowd of 19,800 into a frenzy.

"I think the crowd, the intensity, it took away from us being in attack mode and being confident," George said. "I thought we played a little nervous, a little tight, on our heels."

Toronto's first six points of the fourth came with George on the bench. He checked back in with 8:36 left.

Pacers coach Frank Vogel said he considered leaving George in to start the fourth, but decided to stick with his reserves.

"(George) looked pretty gassed at the end of the third," Vogel said. "We had a decent lead that I thought we could hold up. I chose to trust those guys, those guys have been good for us. They had a tough stretch there."

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"I wanted (George) to take the last shot if he was open," Vogel said. "He stumbled a little bit, had two guys on him. He made the right basketball play. It was a great play, just a great play. One frame shy of being a tie game and going to overtime."

Magic moment

Among those impressed by Toronto's comeback was Hall of Famer Magic Johnson, who sent out multiple tweets congratulating the Raptors on their 'miraculous' victory.

Stuckey's stumble

Pacers guard Rodney

Stuckey fell into courtside seats after fumbling a pass in the fourth, landing at the feet of rapper Drake, Toronto's "Global Ambassador." No one had a better view than Casey. "(Stuckey's) shoes went out and he stepped out of bounds and ran over Drake," Casey said. "I was more worried about Drake than I was Stuckey."

Tear eyed

Following the game, Drake posted a photo of George on Instagram with a cartoon tear rolling down his cheek.

Tip-ins

Pacers: George picked up a technical foul after a minor scuffle with Lowry early in the third quarter. It was George's third technical foul in the past three games.

Raptors: Patrick Patterson made his first start of the series, replacing Luis Scola. ... DeRozan had missed all eight of his 3-point attempts in the series before connecting in the second quarter.

SMC GOLF

Saint Mary's in midst of automatic finals bid

By JOE EVERETT
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's started its quest for a trip to the national championship with its first of three MIAA automatic qualifiers Tuesday afternoon, walking away from Medalist Golf Club in second place and trailing first-place Hope by 11 strokes.

The Belles finished in the top four of MIAA play in the fall season, which earned them the chance to compete with Trine, Olivet and Hope for the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA tournament. The four teams will compete in three 18-hole rounds this week, and Olivet hosted the first round Tuesday and while Hope is set to host the remaining two over the weekend at The Ravines Golf Club. Because the automatic bid represents the Belles' best chance to make the NCAA tournament, Belles head coach Kim Moore said her team needed to get off to a good start Tuesday to take down favorites Hope and Olivet, who finished first

and second, respectively, in the MIAA fall season.

"Currently, we have played Olivet and Hope at tournaments this spring, and we have finished very close to both of those teams," Moore said. "I think we have a great chance of beating Olivet and Hope, but it all [started] at this first event."

With little room for error against top competition, the Belles also needed to execute at a high level in order to be in a position to win at the weekend rounds at Hope, Moore said.

The Belles were able to scramble well Tuesday, fulfilling one of Moore's goals for her team, shooting a 49-over 337 to put themselves in second place heading into the weekend. Conference-leading Hope shot a 38-over 326 to take an 11-stroke lead into the weekend rounds. Olivet and Trine found themselves just behind Saint Mary's with a 50-over 338 and 57-over 345, respectively.

After facing a tough schedule and playing against good teams throughout the

year, Moore said she sees the mental toughness her team has and expects them to be up to the challenge this week. Although the team needs every individual to step up and perform well at the MIAA automatic qualifiers, Moore especially expects her experienced golfers to have a lot of confidence and to play well come competition time, she added.

"I am expecting [junior] Ali Mahoney to play well," Moore said. "... I also expect our senior, Sammie Averill, to play well this week. For some reason, she is very comfortable playing with the teams and players we will be playing against this weekend. I hope she uses her success in the fall to give her that confidence she needs."

With the first round in the books, the next two rounds will be hosted by Hope on Friday and Saturday, with each day's competition starting at 2 p.m. at The Ravines Golf Club.

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Belles achieve winning record for season

By **ELIZABETH GREASON**
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's worked its way back to a winning record Monday, defeating Elmhurst 11-7.

The first period was a tight one, and the scoring was started off by the Bluejays (4-10, 0-4 CCIW), who got the first goal of the game past Belles freshman goalkeeper Cara Givens. The South Bend, Indiana, native has split playing time in goal with junior captain Shannon Weyer throughout the season, but Givens' seven saves kept her in goal for the entire game.

Belles head coach Amy Long said the game was an important one for her team's growth.

"Monday's nonconference, rescheduled game allowed us to learn and perfect things going into our final two conference games," Long said.

Saint Mary's (8-7, 4-2 MIAA) responded and tied the game at one goal apiece when junior captain and

attack Emilie Vanneste scored the Belles' first goal on the day. Vanneste's goal started a scoring run for the Belles, as they proceeded to score three more unanswered goals. Vanneste scored again to give the Belles the 2-1 lead, and then her score was quickly followed by goals scored by freshman midfielder Kate Kelly and sophomore midfielder Clare Theisen. The pair of midfielders are the Belles' leading scorers on the season, and their first goals of the game were also their 37th goals so far this year.

The scoring run was stifled when the Bluejays scored again, making it a 4-2 game and spurring a scoring run for Elmhurst. Bluejays sophomore midfielder Phoebe LeRoy scored two more unanswered goals, bringing the score level again. It appeared that the teams were going to go into the second half tied up at four goals apiece, but Vanneste was able to find an opening and give the Belles the lead at the

end of the first half, scoring her third goal of the game with 32 seconds left on the clock.

The Belles took control of the game in the second half, only allowing Elmhurst to score three times in the entire period while scoring six goals of their own.

Carrying forward the momentum from Vanneste's last-minute goal in the first period, sophomore attack Hanna Makowski, who had also picked up an assist earlier in the game, made the first offensive move of the period and scored her 16th goal of the season.

Scoring for the majority of the period was sporadic until the Belles final scoring run. Elmhurst was able to catch up and tie the game up, 6-6, but the teams continued to trade goals, as Vanneste and Kelly each scored once more to give the Belles an 8-7 lead.

Then, the Belles were able to seal their win in the last minutes of the game, when they went on a three-goal run, which was started by Theisen's second goal of the

day. Kelly was able to pick up a hat trick and Makowski scored a second time to cap off the 11-7 victory. As a whole, Long said she was pleased with her team's performance against the Bluejays, especially against their strong defense.

"Elmhurst played a solid zone defense that challenged us to continue to work together to create our drives to goal," Long said. "They also had a couple quick attackers that really challenged our defense and goalie. Overall, we are playing well right now and need to keep pushing ourselves throughout this week and next to accomplish what we are capable of."

When the Belles next take the field, they will be returning to conference play against Kalamazoo. The Belles will need to carry over the improvements they made against Elmhurst when they take on the Hornets (4-9, 3-3), Long added.

"One thing we focused on yesterday that will be crucial for Thursday's game is the looks to goal we take and the

quality of our shots," Long said. "Kalamazoo has one of the best goalies we will see all year, so it's important we are making the shots we take count in our game on Thursday."

Throughout the season, the Belles' goal has been to make the MIAA tournament. Saint Mary's is currently in fourth place in the MIAA, and Long said she believes her team is fully capable of making the tournament.

"We are definitely motivated to win at Kalamazoo to guarantee our spot in the tournament," Long said. "We have to win one of our last two games to advance, but our goal is to win them both to finish in third place in the conference going into the tournament. This team has come a long way this season, and I am excited to see us perform in the tournament."

The Belles will take on the Hornets in Kalamazoo, Michigan, on Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

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TRACK & FIELD

Irish look to place in Des Moines despite injuries

By **MAREK MAZUREK**
Sports Editor

With only three weekends to go before the ACC outdoor championships, Notre Dame will gear up for the Drake Relays this weekend in Des Moines, Iowa.

As the name implies, the meet held at Drake University will focus on relay events, and the Irish are set to field teams in the women's 4x100-meter, 4x200-meter and 4x400-meter relays. With three women's relay teams competing, Irish head coach Alan Turner said he feels the women's squad is ready for the weekend as well as the upcoming ACC championship meet.

"[This weekend], we go to Drake, [and] hopefully we get some good relay times," Turner said. "After Drake, everyone is getting ready for finals, and then after finals, getting ready for the ACC meet. ... We're where we need to be on the women's side."

One key member of the women's team — sophomore Jessica Harris — set a school record in the 800-meter run last weekend at the Virginia Challenge with a time of 2:05.26. Senior All-American Margaret Bamgbose also placed first in Charlottesville, Virginia, with a time of :52.50 in the 400-meter sprint.

Bamgbose will also be a factor for the Irish relay teams in competition this weekend. The Evanston, Illinois, native anchored both the 4x100 and 4x400 teams for Notre Dame at the Virginia Challenge and filled the role all season for the Irish.

The 4x100 team took third place in Charlottesville with a time of :44.58, while the 4x400 squad placed second, completing the race in 3:34.71.

While he is pleased with the strength of the women's team, Turner said injuries will likely hamper the men's team from seriously chasing an outdoor ACC title.

"[For] the men's team, [senior] Michael Clevenger still hasn't suited up for us yet," Turner said. "It's unlikely that he will. [Junior] Nate Richartz, All-American pole vaulter, has some hamstringing issues. He may or may not suit up this season. I'll know a lot more in the next seven days if we're going to call the season for him or not. ... If it's worth it to put him out there to go to the ACCs and he gets fifth or sixth place as opposed to, 'let's redshirt him,' then we get him for a whole other year, and he can contend for ACC titles again."

"We are thin on the men's team, we're going to struggle a little at the ACC meet, but the women, we're going to be



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Irish senior Margaret Bamgbose rounds a corner during the 400-meter dash at the Notre Dame Invitational on Jan. 24, 2015. Bamgbose won first place in the same event at the Virginia Challenge.

fully loaded and ready to go and try to win that women's title."

Also competing for the Irish is junior thrower Josephine Jackson. Jackson goes by the nickname "Indi" and won the shot put at the Virginia Challenge with a throw of 15.02 meters. Turner said he expects Jackson, as well as senior thrower Lena Madison, to score points in the ACC championship meet.

"We're definitely going to get some points in the shot [put] with Indi Jackson and get some points out of that hammer [throw]," Turner said. "[We will] see if we can get Lena to step up and get some points in the discus for us. We're doing well in track, like I said earlier, and I definitely think the women's team can contend to win that ACC outdoor title."

Jackson will look to

continue her solid performance this spring season, as she placed second in the shot put at the Sun Angel Classic on April 10 and tallied another first-place showing in the same event at the Stanford Invitational on April 3.

The Drake Relays are set to begin Thursday and will continue through Saturday.

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W Golf

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the four regionals, and two of those teams — Florida State and Clemson — will face the Irish in the Birmingham field.

"We just didn't play well [at the ACCs]," Holt said. "Our short gains were not good, we didn't putt well, we didn't chip well and trust me, we're working on that right now. There are some tough shots we'll be faced with, so getting our confidence back and working on technique in

those situations is key."

Holt's team has scored seven wins in the past season over the opponents it will face again next weekend, most notably victories over No. 1 seed Alabama, No. 3 seed Oklahoma State, the No. 6-seeded Seminoles and No. 9 seed Purdue.

"This time of year, everyone goes back to zero," Holt said. "Some teams are playing better than others right now, others were playing better at the beginning of the year than they are now. It's all about playing hot, playing good golf for these three

days. We know we can compete with Alabama and those top teams. It's just going to take our best golf, and it's going to be that way for any of these 16 teams."

"It's not an insurmountable task. We've done it before; we just really need to do it now or else our season's going to be over."

Amidst this competitive field, the Irish look to advance to the national finals in Eugene, Oregon, as they did in 2011, which is their only other NCAA championship appearance. The top six teams from every regional

will qualify for the championship, as will the top three scorers on non-qualifying teams. Holt said she believes her team has a great chance.

"I think we have more depth on this team than any team we've had in the 10 years I've been here," Holt said. "They're all capable, very good players. I know they're excited for the opportunity. At this point, we have the opportunity to advance to nationals and that's about all we could ask for. We've put ourselves in that position, and now we just have to go out there and finish it."

Senior Talia Campbell and junior Jordan Ferreira were the top players at last year's NCAA regional hosted at Notre Dame, tying for 19th place while the team finished in eighth overall, six strokes short of qualifying for the championship.

Notre Dame's bid for a second national championship appearance begins at the three-day NCAA regional at Shoal Creek Club in Birmingham, Alabama, on May 5.

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ND wins one, drops two at North Carolina

Observer Staff Report

No. 19 Notre Dame entered the weekend with a nine-game winning streak, but the Irish left Chapel Hill, North Carolina, with one win in three games against North Carolina.

Notre Dame (35-8, 10-5 ACC) began its weekend series against the Tar Heels (26-22, 10-11) with a double-header Sunday.

In the first game, North Carolina struck first with junior starting pitcher Kendra Lynch driving a three-run

home run to right field. In addition to the home run, Lynch pitched a complete game, giving up four runs and picking up her 21st win of the season.

With a three-run deficit, the Irish battled back in the top of the second inning. Senior right fielder Megan Sorlie knocked an RBI single to right field to score sophomore shortstop Morgan Reed. Later in the inning, junior center fielder Karley Wester drove in Sorlie and sophomore left fielder Bailey Bigler to tie the game at 3-3.

North Carolina won the day, however, and took a 5-3 lead off sophomore second baseman Taylor Wike's two-run double in the bottom of the second. Lynch added an RBI single to her day in the fifth inning to seal the victory for the Tar Heels by a final score of 7-4.

The second game of the day yielded a vastly different outcome, however, as Notre Dame's offense exploded for 12 runs in a victory, 12-2.

Notre Dame's stat line was highlighted by senior first baseman Micaela Arizmendi. The Huntington Beach, California, native tallied three hits in three at-bats and scored two runs, including a solo home run and a two-RBI double. Seven Irish batters recorded a hit in the game and freshman designated player Caitlyn Brooks matched Arizmendi's three

RBIs with a three-run home run in the first inning.

Junior right-hander Rachel Nasland picked up her 13th win on the mound in the blowout, giving up only two earned runs and three hits in a complete-game effort. By contrast, Tar Heel senior left-hander Lauren Fuller pitched all five innings but gave up 12 earned runs on 10 hits and seven walks.

With the series tied at one game apiece, Nasland took the mound again for the Irish in Monday night's match-up. She kept North Carolina scoreless through two innings, but the Tar Heels got to her in the bottom of the third when freshman third baseman Berlynn Delamora blasted a three-run home run to give North Carolina a 4-2 lead after three innings. The Tar Heels then extended their lead in the fourth frame by adding two more runs in a two-out rally.

The Irish did not go away quietly, however. In the top of the fifth inning, Notre Dame tied the game, 6-6, after a grand slam by Arizmendi, who finished the series with eight RBIs and five hits. Scoring runs on the Arizmendi grand slam were Wester, who reached base on a Tar Heel throwing error, freshman third baseman Melissa Rochford, who walked, and senior infielder Carly Piccinich, who pinch

ran for Brooks.

Despite the comeback, Notre Dame came up short. In the seventh and final inning, Tar Heel senior shortstop Kristen Brown hit a sacrifice fly off sophomore pitcher Katie Beriont to score senior center fielder Aquilla Mateen from third base, as the Tar Heels took the game, 7-6.

After the conference road series, the Irish begin a seven-game homestand with a matchup against DePaul on Wednesday night at Melissa Cook Stadium. The Blue Demons (21-23, 11-3 Big East) have lost three of their last five games, but had a 12-game winning streak from the end of March to the middle of April prior to their current stretch.

Offensively, junior first baseman Dylan Christensen leads DePaul with a .417 average and 13 doubles. The Blue Demons also sport three hitters with eight or more home runs on the season — senior pitcher Morgan Maize, senior catcher Naomi Tellez and junior first baseman Nicole Pihl.

Maize is also the Blue Demons' go-to pitcher, with a 3.72 ERA in 176 2/3 innings pitched on the season. The senior's 149 strikeouts rank 53rd in the country.

Notre Dame will take on DePaul on Wednesday starting at 4 p.m.



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Irish senior infielder Micaela Arizmendi takes a swing during Notre Dame's 10-2 victory over Eastern Michigan on March 22.

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Hartman also said the way the team prepares for the postseason differs slightly from their regular season practice routine.

“We definitely focus more on the quality of the reps versus the quantity of the reps,” Hartman said. “We are pretty much just sharpening our skills that we developed throughout the season.”

An explosive Irish offense would certainly give the Irish a fighter’s chance, assuming freshman goalkeeper Samantha Giacolone’s play remains at the level it has appeared to be at in recent weeks. After completing her last two games of the regular season with 17 saves to just 14 goals allowed, Giacolone

was awarded Inside Lacrosse magazine’s National Rookie of the Week award Tuesday.

Giacolone and the Irish defense thrived against the usually high-powered offenses of USC and Ohio State. Despite the result of the tightly contested 5-4 loss to the Trojans, the Irish defense put forth one of its best statistical efforts of the season, as the Trojan offense was the top-ranked scoring unit in the country entering the contest. The Irish also forced 19 turnovers and drew even on ground balls against the Trojans.

If Notre Dame defeats Louisville on Thursday, it will move on to play the winner of Syracuse and Boston College the next day. The Irish dropped their home game against Syracuse in a 12-11 decision March 26, while

they beat Boston College by a score of 14-4 February 21. In fact, Notre Dame could progress through the entire tournament bracket without once seeing a team it beat in the regular season, despite its winning record in conference play. Its three conference losses came to Louisville, Syracuse and North Carolina — each of whom are starting in different sections of the tournament bracket. The Irish could conceivably face all three of those teams en route to a conference championship.

The Irish begin their conference tournament play Thursday in Blacksburg, Virginia, when they face off against the Cardinals at 7:30 p.m. at Lane Stadium.

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Irish freshman goalie Samantha Giacolone makes a save during Notre Dame’s 5-4 loss to USC on April 18 at Arlotta Stadium.

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this week, we’re looking to clean up those mistakes and push towards playing a full 60 minutes of great offense, defense and everything in between.”

Putting the loss behind them, the Irish face the Blue Devils (9-6, 2-2) for the second time this season. Notre Dame hosted Duke on April 10, when a strong second half fueled the Irish past the Blue Devils, 8-6. Like Notre Dame, Duke competed in two games since playing in Arlotta Stadium, recording wins against Virginia on April 17 and Marquette on April 22.

Just three games later, the Blue Devils aren’t the same team the Irish beat

in 41-degree weather that Sunday at Arlotta Stadium.

“Duke is a really good team, and they are very well coached,” Landis said. “I wouldn’t be surprised if they added some new schemes to their offense to try and generate more offense against us.”

“So for us, it will be about adjusting to anything new, while being cognizant of the plays that they ran the first game.”

Duke senior midfielder Myles Jones will be part of those plays the Blue Devils ran that first game. Jones is now the first midfielder in Division I lacrosse history to post 100 career assists and 100 career goals, with 29 goals and 32 assists on this season alone. Defensively, the Irish will be targeting weapons like

Jones and sophomore attack Justin Guterding, who leads the Blue Devils with 37 goals and also has 26 assists.

While the Tar Heels reckoned with Notre Dame’s top-ranked defense, scoring seven consecutive goals in a little more than seven minutes, Landis said he’s confident the Irish defense is ready for Friday.

“Guarding people right away will be key,” Landis said. “If we can be aggressive on ball and really force them to beat us one-on-one, I think we’ll have a really good day.”

On the other end of the field, Notre Dame has continued to find its rhythm. The Irish have netted 23 goals since last meeting Duke, when the offense sprung to life late in the second half with two consecutive

goals by junior attack Sergio Perkovic in the fourth period to win the game.

“I think our offense has really begun to find their stride,” Landis said. “They put up 15 against a really strong North Carolina defense, and I expect them to come out with the same type of aggressiveness this game.”

That aggressiveness has gotten the Irish to where they stand now in the ACC championship picture. The winner of the matchup between Notre Dame and Duke will play the winner of the contest between the top-seeded Tar Heels (8-5, 3-1) and fourth-seeded Syracuse

(8-4, 2-2) Sunday at noon in the championship match.

“We’re trying to maintain the same level of focus that we’ve had all year to be successful,” Landis said. “On game day, everyone wants to win just as badly as the next guy because it’s win or go home.”

“The team who has that attitude during the week for practice will be most prepared for game day.”

Notre Dame and Duke will meet in the semifinals of the ACC tournament Friday in Kennesaw, Georgia, at 8:30 p.m.

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Irish senior defender Matt Landis runs to the ball during Notre Dame’s 8-6 win over Duke on April 10 at Arlotta Stadium. Landis has recovered 27 ground balls and caused 14 turnovers this season.

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atmosphere and a lot of people in the area are IU or ND fans. So I think it's a perfect place to play a good in-state rival."

Acting as the home team, Notre Dame jumped out to an early lead in the bottom of the first inning after senior designated hitter Ricky Sanchez doubled, then scored when senior first baseman Zak Kutsulis singled to right field.

In a close play at the plate, home plate umpire Jason Stidham called Sanchez safe, earning the ire of Indiana head coach Chris Lemonis, who argued that freshman catcher Ryan Fineman had tagged Sanchez on a throw from sophomore right fielder Logan Sowers. However, the call stood.

That was all the offense the Irish pitching staff needed the rest of the night. Senior left-hander Michael Hearne entered the matchup off back-to-back complete games but struggled to be as efficient as he had in his previous starts, hurling 106 pitches over six innings. Still he was able to scatter five hits and two walks without giving up a run, extending his

streak of scoreless innings to 15. He has given up just two earned runs in his past 31 innings pitched.

"Mike was just being Mike," Biggio said. "He pounded the zone, got ahead early and he did a really good job of keeping the defense ready to play by pounding the zone and making sure balls got put in play."

The Irish defense recorded 27 putouts and one double play without committing an error, while Hearne struck out three. He leads the Irish in wins (6), ERA (2.02) and opponents' batting average (.213).

"He was just commanding the zone really well," Biggio said.

In the bottom of the third, Notre Dame padded its lead when junior catcher Ryan Lidge doubled and Biggio followed up with a blast to right field that cleared the fence easily, making the game 3-0. It was Biggio's fourth home run of the year.

"The first pitch of the at-bat [the pitcher] left up with a fastball," Biggio said. "So the second pitch he corrected himself and went just a little bit lower for a strike, and I was just ready to hit it and got the bat head out there, made a good swing on it."



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Irish junior second baseman Cavan Biggio takes a swing during Notre Dame's 6-3 win over Chicago State on April 12. Biggio finished with two hits, two RBIs and a home run against Indiana.

Lidge jumpstarted the offense once more in the bottom of the fifth inning, getting hit by a pitch to make his way aboard. After Biggio and Sanchez both struck out, Kutsulis homered to right for his second round-tripper on the season. Kutsulis's three-RBI night extended his team-leading total to 29 this year.

All of Notre Dame's hits and RBIs on the evening came from its ninth and first through third hitters, as the Irish left just three runners on base, compared to nine

for Indiana.

As the season draws to a close, the Irish have not lost a nonconference game since the beginning of March and are perfect in midweek games. Biggio credited that success to the coaches keeping the team focused.

"It's easy to not play hard in a midweek game or not take it seriously," Biggio said. "But we're really big on our team about ... taking it one pitch at a time. It doesn't matter who it is we're playing, we have to bring confidence and

energy."

Notre Dame has a chance to reach 10-0 in midweek games Wednesday night against Eastern Michigan at home. The Irish are 12-2 at home this season, while the Eagles (14-22, 6-6 MAC) are 6-14 on the road and have lost six of their last seven games.

Notre Dame and Eastern Michigan face off at 6:05 p.m. Wednesday at Frank Eck Stadium.

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MEN'S LACROSSE

Notre Dame ready to recover in ACC tournament

By **KIT LOUGHRAN**
Sports Writer

After an unexpected loss to end its regular season, No. 4 Notre Dame now sets its sights on postseason play in the ACC tournament.

The second-seeded Irish (9-2, 3-1 ACC) will take on No. 14 and third-seeded Duke in the second semifinal of the conference tournament Friday at Fifth Third Bank Stadium in Kennesaw, Georgia. The Irish enter the tournament as the No. 2 seed after falling to now No. 10 North Carolina this past Saturday, 17-15. The Irish lost their No. 1 ranking in the defeat and gave up the ACC regular-season title to the Tar Heels.

"Against UNC, we did some really good things that were overlooked by the mental errors we had that cost us the game," senior defender Matt Landis said. "Coming back

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ALARISSE LAM | The Observer

Irish junior midfielder Sergio Perkovic lunges for a shot during Notre Dame's 8-7 overtime win over Marquette on April 13.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

ND set for revenge versus Cardinals

By **BRETT O'CONNELL**
Sports Writer

No. 9 Notre Dame begins postseason play Thursday when it travels to Blacksburg, Virginia, to face off against No. 7 Louisville in the quarterfinals of the ACC tournament.

The Irish (12-5, 4-3 ACC) will seek to exact revenge on the Cardinals (12-4, 3-4), who bested the Irish in a double-overtime decision on March 5, 10-9. The defeat was Notre Dame's first loss of the regular season and only loss in its first 10 games of 2016.

The Irish enter postseason play after finishing their regular season slate in a somewhat up-and-down manner, as they dropped three of their last five games. Though each of their three losses came to ranked opponents, including No. 3 North Carolina and No. 4 USC, the Irish will only see the

schedule get more difficult from this point on. The ACC is one of the strongest conferences in the sport, with six of the eight teams at the conference tournament currently ranked in the top 20 nationally.

The Irish hold the No. 3 seed in the tournament thanks to their 4-3 conference record, which trailed only No. 5 Syracuse and the Tar Heels. Irish senior midfielder Hannah Hartman said the team hopes to continue offensively the trend it started in its final regular season matchup against No. 14 Ohio State.

"I definitely anticipate a fast start this weekend," Hartman said. "Our offense found its mojo, both in the fast break and settled play, during our last regular season game against Ohio State, and I think we will carry that into tournament play."

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF | NCAA REGIONAL

Regional berth awaits the Irish

By **MAUREEN SCHWENINGER**
Sports Writer

Continuing a tradition of highly-regarded postseason performance, Notre Dame earned a No. 10 seed in the 18-team NCAA Birmingham regional in Birmingham, Alabama, which will take place May 5-7.

The four NCAA regional fields were announced live on the Golf Channel on Monday night. This is Notre Dame's ninth straight NCAA regional appearance, and it is also the fifth time in program history — all under the leadership of head coach Susan Holt — the team has earned a top-10 seed. Holt said she was more than happy with the seeding.

"At this point in the season, you just want to be there," Holt said. "I'm especially happy with the site that we're going to [in Birmingham]. It's a great golf course, great to be able to play at that exclusive of a club."

The regional will be played at the Shoal Creek Club, which is a private, invitation-only course that does not often

host collegiate play. Holt said she is particularly pleased by the fact that no one team has prior experience with the layout going into the regional.

"From that standpoint, there's not going to be much of an advantage for anyone because no one's seen the golf course, unlike the other site locations," Holt said. "I really love the spot. It's a Jack Nicklaus-designed golf course, and he's got courses all over the country, so all our players have played his style. They all tend to have a lot of similar characteristics — really big greens, very sloped and graduating, big bunkers — that kind of thing. Those will be things we've seen before. The grass down there is bent, which is a great surface because it will be familiar to us."

The team aims to recover from its 10th-place finish at the ACC championship just two weeks ago. The nine teams who finished ahead of them all qualified for one of the four regionals, and two of

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Strong pitching shines in win over Hoosiers

By **GREG HADLEY**
Senior Sports Writer

Notre Dame cruised to yet another midweek victory Tuesday night in Indianapolis, defeating Indiana, 5-0, thanks to another strong pitching performance from senior lefty Michael Hearne.

In the 101st meeting between the two programs, the Irish (24-15, 9-10 ACC) played at Victory Field, home of the minor league Indianapolis Indians, and improved their record to 6-3 in neutral site contests and 9-0 in midweek games. Notre Dame also claimed its first victory against the Hoosiers (23-16, 8-4 Big Ten) since 1998, as the two teams only revived their rivalry last year.

"Anytime you can play in a professional stadium, it's always pretty special, especially against an in-state rival like Indiana, who's been having a pretty good year," junior second baseman Cavan Biggio said. "I look forward to this game because it's a great



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Irish senior pitcher Michael Hearne throws a pitch during Notre Dame's 9-5 win over UIC at Frank Eck Stadium on March 22.

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