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University selects head of undergraduate enrollment

By LAURA McCRYSTAL News Editor

Donald Bishop, a 1977 Notre Dame graduate, will become associate vice president for undergraduate enrollment, effective Dec. 1, the University announced Wednesday.

Bishop, who has worked with enrollment at several colleges and universities, succeeds Dan Saracino, who retired in June as director of undergraduate admissions. Robert Mundy currently serves as interim director.

"As an alumnus and the parent of a Notre Dame grad-

uate, Don has a deep love for this institution and appreciates the distinctive educational opportunities that Notre Dame offers as a premier Catholic



Bishop

delighted to welcome him back to his alma mater.'

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Bishop's hiring also marks

the establishment of a new collaboration between the Office of Undergraduate Admissions and the Office of Student Financial Services, as he will oversee both offices.

"Colleges have to understand that there's a connection between financial decision making in the college investment and in the final college selection," Bishop said. "So we are adopting this system to become more productive and efficient."

Bishop said the University would remain need-blind in its admission process, but the change allows Notre Dame to examine the correlation between enrollment and financial decisions for high school students and their families.

"Financial considerations today are more important than they've ever been," he said. "So connecting financial aid and admissions is something that now many schools have migrated to managing together so it's a consistent strategic planning process."

Bishop began his career with the Notre Dame admissions office in 1977, and rose to associate director of admissions before he left in 1985 to work as dean of enrollment at Ohio Wesleyan University. He

also held positions in enrollment at Cornell University, Creighton University and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, where he currently serves as the associate vice president for enrollment management.

"I view it as an advantage that I left Notre Dame and learned about other institutions and how they were being perceived by the public," Bishop said. "Notre Dame has a lot more resources now than when I worked in the admissions office before. And what we want to do is make sure

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International students share their experiences

Foreign students adjust to life in America, studies at Notre Dame

By LAURA McCRYSTAL News Editor

When Yi Fang came from Beijing to begin Notre Dame Law School in 2008, she was constantly exhausted after a day spent speaking English and trying to understand a new culture.

"People figure because I speak English so well, I must know the culture already. But that's totally not true," Fang said. "I actually suffered from culture shock quite a lot."

Fang, a third-year law student and assistant rector in McGlinn Hall, said she now realizes that her experience is typical for international students.

year, 276 new, This University-sponsored interna-



Ava Lee, pictured above, left her home in Beijing to attend Notre Dame. Lee says that others had more trouble adjusting to her than she did to American culture.

Students attend Notre Dame as study abroad, adjust to new culture

By SARA FELSENSTEIN News Writer

In the past month, Anna Tordjmann has had a lot of firsts — her first time being a student at Notre Dame, her first time in the United States and her first American football game.

"At the first football game I didn't understand the rules, and it was very long," she said. "But I went on Wikipedia afterward to look up the rules so I understood them. This last one I was so into the game. It was so intense and I was really nervous.'

Tordjmann is one of the 15 international students studying abroad at Notre Dame. Six of those students are here for the semester and nine for the year, Sam Lockhart, an international

Students struggle with reception

By CHRISTIAN MYERS News Writer

If that special someone has yet to text you back, don't panic. It's probably just a problem with the cell phone service.

Students using AT&T and Verizon - the two main service providers on campus have recently experienced problems due to increased capacity, Steven Ellis, director

of Integrated Communication Services, said.

"We really do care. We feel your pain and pass it on to [the cell phone service providers] as best we can," Ellis said.

AT&T and Verizon account for 90 percent of cell use on campus and both have experienced problems this year as they adjust to increases in traffic.

AT&T saw their use double since last year and Verizon has experienced a significant increase as well, Ellis said.

'Imagine all the cars on campus. If next year the number of cars doubled, it would have an impact," he said. "People would want parking garages. Both Verizon and AT&T have had to add capacity."

AT&T has had more trouble than Verizon and is preparing to provide a new frequency on campus. The new frequency is

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: What is your football weekend activity?



Vanessa Fisher

freshman Regina

"Tailgating and "Being rowdy excitement for and crazy in the stands with my friends and celebrating after we win.'



sophomore Knott

"Mooching off of my friend's parents' tailgate."



sophomore LeMans

"Debauchery!"

Chris Vanckunas

sophomore Knott

"Being knotty with the Juggerknotts."

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Members of the Notre Dame Vietnamese Student Association mingle during a club meeting Wednesday.

OFFBEAT

Oregon rescuers dig camel 'Moses' out of sinkhole

OREGON CITY, Ore. was an unusual call for Oregon firefighters: A 1,500pound camel, named Moses, needed to be rescued. The call came in Tuesday night in Clackamas County after the Oregon City owners of the camel called firefighters to say that Moses had fallen into a sinkhole 6 to 8 feet deep and was possibly injured. The owners — who nave several camels and run

his legs if he'd try to free himself while still partially buried.

But Moses was patient, and eventually firefighters got him out. Moses lay on his side for an hour resting after the rescue. A veterinarian said the animal looked unhurt.

Shooter video games can improve decision making?

SYDNEY — Violent video games like "Call of Duty" can help trigger-happy players make decisions faster in real life, according to a released study on Wednesday. **Researchers from New** York's University of Rochester found that firstperson shooter games produced a heightened sensitivity and led to more efficient use of sensory evidence.

"These benefits of video games stem only from action games, which almost always means shooter games, where you go through a maze and you don't know when a villain will appear," researcher Daphne Bavelier said in a statement.

"It's not exactly what you'd think of as mind enhancing. Strategy or roleplaying games don't have

IN BRIEF

Ricardo Pau-Llosa will be giving a lecture today in the Annenberg Auditorium at the Snite Museum of Art from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. A reception will follow at the Ashbaugh Decorative Arts Gallery.

Dr. Arjun Makhijan, Fellow of the American Physical Society, UC-Berkeley trained engineer and President of Institute for Energy and Environmental Research, will present the seminar, "A Reliable, 100% Renewable, **US Electricity System: Why** nuclear and 'clean' coal may harm climate goals" at 7:30 p.m. in 283 Galvin Life Science.

A Law and Economics Symposium entitled "Housing: Law and Policy" will take place Friday at the Eck Hall of Law room 1140 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Speakers include Robert C. Ellison, the Walter E. Meyer Professor of Property and Urban Law at Yale Law School, and Edward L. Glaeser, the Fred and Eleanor Glimp Professor of Economics in the Department of Economics at Harvard University.

The annual Domer Run will take place Saturday at 9 a.m. beginning outside the stadium. There are three races: a 6-mile run, a 3-mile run, and a 2-mile family fun run/walk. Registration is \$15 per person if you pre-register using RecRegister. Registration on the day of the race is \$20 per person. Registration is open to the community.

Adrienna Gomez- Perales sophomore *LeMans*

the football

game."

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a children's ministry — had tried to get the camel out themselves but failed. Firefighters had to carefully shovel mud for several hours to free the animal.

The rescuers were concerned Moses would break the same effect."

The study, published in the journal Current Biology. involved testing 26 people aged 18 to 25, none of whom had played shooting games before, over several months.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews.nd@gmail.com



CORRECTIONS

In the Sept. 15 edition of The Observer, the location of the Welcome Back picnic was misidentified. It will be at the Robinson Community Learning Center. In addition, the Eddy Street Common Block party will last until 4 p.m. Saturday and the Notre Dame band will play in Times Square when they travel to New York City for the Army game. The Observer regrets these errors.

STUDENT SENATE Group discusses pep rallies, beND

By MEGAN DOYLE News Writer

Student Senate discussed feedback from the Michigan pep rally and previewed the events planned for the upcoming beND campaign weekend at its meeting Wednesday.

Several senators said residents of their dorms had positive feelings following the Michigan pep rally Friday.

"A lot of the girls in my dorm were concerned about going back to Irish Green for the pep rallies," Pasquerilla East senator Julie Doherty said. "But everyone said [the Michigan pep rally] was infinitely better than last year."

Some girls did complain that they had limited view of the stage, she said, and senators said the dorms participating in the walkover and the pep rally needed to be more organized.

"Our dorm got completely separated," Walsh Hall senator Hallie Brewster said. "There were some points where I even lost some of my friends."

University Affairs chair Chase Riddle said many dorms still had to compete for location once they arrived on the grass in front of the stage.

Movement of the dorms is under discussion for the Sept. 24 pep rally before the Stanford game, student body president Catherine Soler said.

The next pep rally will be held in the Purcell Pavilion to gauge which venues students



Chief of staff Nick Ruof, left, and student body president Catherine Soler lead Senate's meeting Wednesday.

enjoy the most, she said. Soler also informed Senate members of details for the beND campaign weekend that begins Friday.

The weekend will revolve around four events to engage the community, beginning with a picnic at the Robinson Learning Center in South Bend Friday at 5:30 p.m., Soler said.

Other events include the Eddy Street Commons Block Party at 2 p.m. Saturday to promote Eddy Street vendors, and a presentation from attorney C.L. Lindsay Sunday at 8:30 p.m., she said.

"We will have a panel discussion on Monday called 'State of Arrest' with representatives from Notre Dame, NDSP, Excise Police, ResLife, a defense attorney and student government," Soler said.

The discussion will last 60 minutes and will be followed by questions from student government and students, she said.

Senators said students would be interested in learning what to do when police come to an off-campus party and why police are now arresting for underage drinking rather than issuing citations

Student government will begin the question and answer session with suggestions from the senators before opening the floor to students, Soler said.

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Saint Mary's hosts Key4Women forum

By LUCIE GORDON News Writer

Keybank's Key4Women Forum, a seminar designed to educate and empower businesswomen, will be held today at Saint Mary's College.

Cindy Solomon, a nationally renowned speaker and the president of Solomon and Associates, will deliver the keynote address.

Solomon has consulted organizations including Google, Cisco and the Ritz Carlton.

"It really is a great seminar," said Martha Smith, project director of the W o m e n 's Entrepreneurship Initiative (WEI) at Saint Mary's. WEI partnered with Keybank to bring

Keybank to bring the seminar to campus.

Smith said the program shares a lot of the same goals and values as WEI, and the partnership "seemed like a natural fit."

Key4Women, founded in 2005, lends money to qualified women entrepreneurs so they can start and maintain successful businesses. It also strives to offer advice to help businesswomen set their companies apart from the crowd.

This particular forum will travel across the nation and stop in 15 different cities.

Solomon's talk, "The Customer of the Future: The Art of Creating True Customer and Employee Loyalty," will give women suggestions on how to conduct their businesses, based on her own success as an entrepreneur.

She will particularly emphasize the importance of establishing long-term relationships with both employees and customers. The event will also give local business owners a chance to meet and network with

other business owners in the area.

The forum costs \$10 and

"I think it's pretty neat what they're doing for Kelly's Foundation."

Martha Smith Project director Women's Entrepreneurship Initiative will benefit the Kelly C a r e s Foundation, an organization established by Notre Dame football coach

Brian Kelly

and his wife, Paqui, that supports several organizations, but promotes breast cancer awareness in particular.

"I think it's pretty neat what they're doing for Kelly's foundation," Smith said.

Although today's forum will primarily include local entrepreneurs, Smith hopes the forum will return next year and involve Saint Mary's students.

The forum will take place at 11:30 a.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn on the Saint Mary's campus.

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tional students entered Notre Dame, making it the largest incoming class of international students in recent memory, according to McKenna Pencak, assistant director of communications and outreach for **International Student Services** and Activities. In 2009, around 250 new international students entered the University.

"In comparison to last year, there has been an

increase," Pencak s a i d . "Undergraduate admissions is strongly trying to recruit international students."

These 276 students represent 60 countries, Pencak said. Eighty-nine of these new students are undergraduates.

Pencak said the University is specifically recruiting in Asia Latin and America. The largest group of

students this year came from China.

Once international students arrive at Notre Dame, Pencak said many of them experience culture shock Fang the described. To better aid the adjustment period, International Student Services and Activities held a two-and-a-half day international student orientation for the first time this fall, compared to the one-day program it hosted in past years.

Pencak said the orientation included mandatory workshops, which covered topics such as maintaining immigration status and health care and optional workshops ranging from "Catholicism 101" to American culture.

"Many students experience culture shock, and we can provide them resources to work through that ... but it's very different for every student," Pencak said.

Sophomore Ava Lee, who is South Korean and went to middle school and high school in Shanghai, said she did not experience culture shock when she came to Notre Dame. She said the American students whom she met, howev-

"Many students experience culture shock, and we can provide them resources to work through that ... but it's very different for lived in the

every student.' **McKenna Pencak** Assistant director for communications and outreach for **International Student Services and Activities**

er, were shocked to meet her she spoke perfect English and decided attend American university, despite never having

> United States. "I knew I would have to experience some changes coming here, so I was prepared for that, but I don't think I had a major culture shock," Lee said.

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"I think people had culture shock when they met me.'

Lee said she looked at other American universities, but chose Notre Dame for its strong business school and also for its lack of diversity.

"I also thought it might be interesting to come to a school where diversity might not be as high," she said.

Fang, on the other hand, visited the counseling center during her second year to discuss her culture shock. She said the counselor showed her a chart with a curve outlining the stages of adjustment for international

with each stage of that curve," Fang said. "Because Notre Dame is a very supporting envi-

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culture shock when

they met me."

Ava Lee

Sophomore

"I can actually identify myself

ronment ... once [students] stick "I don't think I had a major culture shock ... through the bottom tier, their spirit goes up and they are able to find their own identity in this environnew ment."

students.

Culture shock is similar to the

adjustment of undergraduate freshmen to college life, Fang said. In her role as an assistant rector, her personal experience made it easy to relate to undergraduates. She also said the position allowed her to under-

stand the unique culture of Notre Dame.

Third year law student Yi Fang reads a book outside. Fang came from Beijing to attend Notre Dame

and struggled to adjust, but has since acclimated and is now Assistant Rector in McGlinn Hall.

"The spirit of Notre Dame lies in the undergrad culture, so I really wanted to

get to know where I am calling home," she said.

Lee also had the opportunity to share her experiences as an international student. Over the summer she had an internship through the

Office of Undergraduate Admissions and Student International Business Council to promote Notre Dame in Asia.

She traveled to high schools telling students and principals about the University, which she

said is not as well known to Asian as other highly-ranked American universities.

Lee said even though she did not feel homesick during her freshman year, the international student experience at Notre Dame is different from other universities. For example, she had to learn about the game of football and adjust to life outside a big city. While her friends who also came to school in the U.S. did not have to make these same transitions, Lee said the Notre Dame environment is perfect for her.

"I actually love it here because I think it's a good balance between going back home ... and coming here, where I can actually focus and study," she said.

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expected to greatly improve service, but will not be available for a few more months.

On-campus cell phone service is mainly provided by small antennas placed around campus, Ellis said.

The University contracted with a company called NextG to construct these small antennas and to place them so that they provided optimal coverage while remaining out of sight. Ellis said the University made sure the antennas did not affect the aesthetics of campus and went to extra lengths to keep the antennas

ice is inconsistent or lacking, Ellis said.

problems arise These because the small antennas are less effective at penetrating buildings and new construction changes the arrangement of buildings on campus.

"The new frequency should help with this, but it is something we'll continue to work he said. "We are in the on." process of identifying any buildings the new frequency might not reach."

As a possible solution to "in building" issues, Ellis offered the option of using devices called femto cells, which can be placed by a window and provide supplementary service for an area a bit bigger than a dorm room. These devices are





camouflaged and out of view.

After these small antennas were constructed, they were made available to service providers. AT&T signed on first, followed by Verizon, and recently Sprint. T-Mobile expressed no interest in using the antennae and relies on offcampus towers, Ellis said.

Aside from problems adjusting to increased traffic, there are also "in building" problems, which include certain buildings or areas where serv-

offered by both Verizon and AT&T, he said.

After installing femto cells in dorm rooms, there is a waiting period, which AT&T says takes up to 90 minutes. But Ellis said in his experience, it can take up to four or five hours.

The installation process is onerous, burdensome and difficult to do, but it is an option," he said.

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Please recycle The Observer. University Resources for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Questioning Students

The Core Council for Gay and Lesbian Students

(Information, education, and resources) Contact: Sr. Sue Dunn, OP, 1-5550 or Eddie Velazquez at evelazqu@nd.edu

Office of Campus Ministry

(Annual retreat for gay/lesbian/questioning students and their friends; pertinent library resources) in 304 Co-Mo; discussion and support Contact: Fr. Joe Carey, CSC, at 1-7800

University Counseling Center

(Individual counseling) Contact: Dr. Maureen Lafferty at mlaffert@nd.edu

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SGA Members discuss co-exchange issue

By ALICIA SMITH Associate Saint Mary's Editor

The Saint Mary's Student Government Association (SGA) continued to discuss the coexchange program and explored ways it could partner with Notre Dame's student government at its meeting Wednesday.

Last week, SGA held a forum regarding co-exchange, which was meant to allow student voices to be hear, student body president Rachael Chesley said. But she said many students did not feel the administration listened to what they had to say.

"I think in the upcoming weeks, we are going to stay on the administration because I don't want them to think that we've forgotten about this and that students are suddenly OK," she said.

Chesley encouraged SGA to consider creative ways for the administration to make up for the lack of co-exchange meal ticket availability.

SGA also created a new finance committee, which will be responsible for creating the

budget, as well as working with clubs and organizations for sponsorship purposes.

In the past, much of SGA's meeting time was spent discussing whether or not to give clubs money, which hindered productivity, Chesley said.

will take care of that end of things," she said.

SGA also discussed several partnership opportunities with Notre Dame's student government. Chesley said there were two opportunities to work directly with the University's student leaders.

SGA planned to co-sponsor

"It will encourage students to go out to the local businesses, which will help them, and it'll help students because it will be more cost-effective to go out," Chesley said. "Also, it's going to benefit the community.

"Now, the finance committee

an event where attorney C.L. Lindsay would visit the community and to co-sponsor a program that reaches out to local businesses and creates a partnership so students can receive discounts.

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student advisor for the International Student Services and Activities Office, said.

Tordjmann, a junior political science major from France, said she did not encounter many difficulties adjusting to American culture.

"This is my first time in the United States," she said. "The culture is not very different from French culture, because in France there's American culture everywhere.²

Tordjmann said the Notre Dame community has been welcoming, helpful and friendly.

"It's a healthy atmosphere," she said.

Yamel Cardona Gloria, a senior from Mexico, is also studying abroad at Notre Dame. She found out about Notre Dame through a professor at her school in Puebla, la Universidad de las Américas Puebla (UDLAP).

"I'm the only one from my school who came to [study in] America," she said. "I wanted to do science research, and I found that the laboratories in Notre Dame are excellent and the science professors here do excellent research.'

Both students said there are differences between life at home and life at Notre Dame.

Tordjmann, who lives in Lyons Hall, said dorm life has been an interesting adjustment because universities in Paris do not offer a similar living situation.

"In Paris, we all have apartments, and we're in the core of the city," she said.

Cardona, a clinical biochemistry student at UDLAP,

agreed that living in a dorm has been a unique experience. She said universities in Puebla have dormitories, but they do not have the same atmosphere as dormitories at Notre Dame.

Cardona, who lives in Ryan Hall, said her dorm has been a source of support throughout her transition to Notre Dame.

"I like my dorm a lot. The rectors, rector assistants and girls there help me with everything ... like buying books, registering for classes and [understanding] flex points," she said.

Another difference Tordjmann noticed between college life in Paris and college life at Notre Dame is that Notre Dame students fill their schedules to the brim, leaving little room for free time.

For students in Paris, time is more fluid — not every hour of every day is scheduled.

Tordjmann also said American courses seem to have much longer readings assigned for each class period

than her courses in Paris did.

Cardona said her coursework at Notre Dame is very similar to her coursework in Mexico. The language barrier has not been a significant issue, because most science articles she read at UDLAP were written in English.

The biggest difference, she said, is material here is covered in a shorter amount of time.

"We start school earlier [in Mexico,] and we don't have any fall breaks," she said. "There is a greater density of information [in the courses] here.'

Both students plan on traveling during their stay in America, particularly to big cities like New York, Chicago and Boston.

"I want to start with the East Coast, then go to Los Angeles. I also want to go to Colorado," Tordjmann said. "I don't have any [set] plans, but I certainly want to travel as much as I can."

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Yamel Cardona Gloria, left, and Anna Tordjimann are at Notre Dame while abroad from universities in Mexico and France.

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we're using those resources very actively and creatively."

Bishop said his work at other institutions also allowed him to understand the qualities that allow Notre Dame to stand apart from other universities.

'I think Notre Dame is exceptional and not like other schools. It's really unique in American higher education,' he said.

To effectively attract applicants who would thrive at Notre Dame, Bishop said he will engage current students, parents and faculty. He wants to learn why students and parents chose Notre Dame, and also which qualities professors see as most valuable in their students.

For example, Notre Dame is known for students with strong character, in addition to academic profiles and test scores. Bishop said would like to hold students to an even higher standard than the traditionally

strong Notre Dame graduate. "So how do we balance the intellectual ability of students and the emotional ability?" He said. "That's very lofty and it will take some time, but it will be interesting to make the

effort.' Bishop has an interest in research, which he said he owes to both his undergraduate and master's degrees in economics from Notre Dame. He has extensively researched the selection process at top universities around the country, and he plans to explore which desired attributes of students could play a bigger role in the admissions process at Notre Dame.

'It is important for Notre Dame to succeed and to be the most attractive intellectual opportunity for students who want to use that success to serve others," he said. "So the first priority is pulling the team together and just trying to think creatively if there are other things that we can do.

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INSIDE COLUMN

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Section 32

I was sitting comfortably in the press box this Saturday, taking in another great matchup between Notre Dame and Michigan. In the press box, you can't raise your voice, express any emotions

or do pushups with the folks over at ESPN.

Over in section 32, a group of buddies were enjoying the game with their fellow sophomores.

Somehow a group of two female Michigan fans managed to get by stadium security and work

Chris Masoud Assistant Sports Editor

their way to the bench in front of them. Proudly wearing their maize and blue, they began displaying their support for Michigan football. They went so far as to cheer for Denard Robinson when he made a big play.

Thoroughly disgusted, one of these sophomores pushed the two girls in front of him off the bench. For the rest of the first quarter, the entire section blasted this kid for being too aggressive and physical, forcing him to leave the game.

I've been a member of Men Against Violence since freshman year, but section 32, are you serious?

After talking to a couple of eye witnesses, the "push" was somewhere between a love tap and an arm tackle against Denard Robinson. Either way, it's ineffective and harmless.

More importantly, it is the ultimate example of why the Notre Dame student section is a joke and why I've stopped sitting there.

If two Michigan fans somehow made it into my section, I would get down on my knees and praise God for such a great opportunity. How many times do you get to abuse someone guilt-free for four quarters, let alone two fans of your biggest rival in your own house?

Shame on you, section 32. Not only did you not pray, you didn't even acknowledge the contribution of someone who took initiative. He recognized an enemy in Irish territory and did his alma mater proud.

Section 32, what was the last thing you did for your alma mater? Instead of applauding and encouraging the actions of one of your own, you disowned him. Instead of taking up his cause, you turned your backs against him. You've lost the right to call yourselves the Fighting Irish, and you are dead to me. Thanks to you and that YouTube video, we are finally living up to our reputation as the tamest student body in North America, hands down.

There were nine total arrests this weekend. I could get more arrests if I threw a bridal shower next Friday night. There is absolutely no reason Arts and Letters majors should not be getting tossed every single Saturday, especially after a loss. Where is the obscene language? Where are the fights? Opposing fans should be physically afraid for their own well-being before coming into our house. Thanks to 32, they can rest assured that they will be well-treated and taken care of in the student section. If you don't believe a word of what I've just said, I recommend sneaking into the student section at East Lansing. I hear the Spartans do a great job of welcoming the Irish.

Where's the protest?

On Monday, former U.S. Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich will be on campus showcasing his new documentary, "Nine Days Which Changed the World," which recounts the nineday visit Pope

John Paul II	Ryan Williams
made to his native Poland in	freethoughts
June of 1979, a visit	that embold-
ened opposition to S	oviet commu-

nism in Eastern Europe. Now, for the most part, Gingrich has been considered a pretty smart guy — he was the intellectual force behind the "Contract With America" that helped Republicans win back control of the House of Representatives in 1994 after 40 years of Democratic control, and he has authored numerous books on history and politics. And while there are numerous issues on which I disagree with the former speaker, I was pleased to hear Notre Dame had invited him to come show his film and give his spiel.

This University ought to be a place where people of all political and religious persuasions can come to present their ideas and viewpoints in a respectful and constructive environment. Fr. Jenkins eloquently defended this notion when he invited the President to speak at Commencement in 2009, so it is no surprise that he is continuing to uphold this principle in inviting Gingrich.

What is a little more surprising is the reaction to the former speaker's visit among those students, faculty and alumni who so vehemently opposed Obama's presence on cam-

pus a year and a half ago. Or rather, the lack of a reaction from them. These people, who were so quick to yell and scream about how the President's views were contrary to the teachings of the Church ought to examine some of the positions Gingrich has taken on those issues supposedly held dear by Catholics. Gingrich supports the death penalty, opposes extending health care coverage to all Americans, and has voiced support for waterboarding, a form of torture. He's also been divorced twice and had his fair share of extramarital affairs.

What's more, for as smart as Gingrich is cracked up to be, he sure has a knack for saying some really stupid things. Just in the past few weeks, the former speaker has compared the construction of a mosque in Lower Manhattan to Nazis "putting up a sign next to the Holocaust Museum in Washington," and has claimed that President Obama is operating under a "Kenyan, anti-colonial" worldview a not so subtle hint that Gingrich is aligning himself with the "birthers" who don't believe the President was born in the United States (and if that

doesn't say enough about him, I don't know what will). Now all of these positions Gingrich holds are opposed by the Catholic Church, just as some of Obama's were when he came to speak. So why is no one in an uproar over Gingrich coming to campus? Where are the handmade signs and the homemade t-shirts, the protests and the letters

to the editor? Have we really all

learned our lesson, have we realized just how ridiculous it was to protest the President of the United States coming to campus? I rather doubt it.

You may argue that the circumstances are different this time, because Notre Dame is not honoring the former speaker with a degree, as it awarded Obama. But the people who opposed his presence on campus were not just upset about the decision to award him an honorary degree, they were also upset that he was being given a highly visible platform on which to speak. And for those who would say that Gingrich is here to speak about his film, and not about his controversial views, I would suggest that Obama was as likely to speak about his position on abortion as Gingrich is to talk about how he cheated on his wife.

No, I think the reason why no one is going to show up to protest against Gingrich is because he satisfies what has become the basic litmus test for students on this campus (and for the Republican Party in general, but that's another matter): Gingrich supports restricting a woman's right to chose. It's a shame that this complicated issue has come to be seen in such black and white terms by so many on this campus. In reality it is anything but, and we as a community would be better served by recognizing that.

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As for me, I will continue to sip club soda in the press box. I prefer going to church on Sunday afternoons, not Saturday.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Truth is beautiful, without doubt; but so are lies.

> **Ralph Waldo Emerson** U.S. poet

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Most human beings have an almost infinite capacity for taking things for granted."

> Aldous Huxley English novelist

JIEWPOINT

Deepening our commitments

This Tuesday, Fr. Dick Warner, CSC, Director of Campus Ministry for the past 21 years, departed for Rome to become the newly-elected Superior General of the Congregation of Holy Cross worldwide.

The Notre Dame community — both the people who live here, and the

Fr. Lou DelFra

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institutions that thrive here - have been blessed by his wisdom and holiness.

Holiness — being a human vessel of God's grace and goodness — is always most powerfully experienced personally, so I will begin with the personal.

When I first came to Notre Dame fifteen years ago, as a single, male employee of Notre Dame, working as Pastoral Director for the Alliance for Catholic Education, I had to spend no insignificant part of my day's energies convincing the Holy Cross priests with whom I worked that I myself did NOT want to become a priest! After a couple years of determined resistance, I found myself in a circle of Holy Cross priests being introduced to a bishop by Fr. Dick Warner. "Your eminence," Fr. Warner began, "this is Fr. Dan Groody, CSC, Fr. Bob Dowd, CSC, and Fr. Joe Carey, CSC. And this is Lou DelFra, ILC." Everyone looked up at Fr. Warner quizzically. What in the world was an ILC? "An Intimate Lay Collaborator," he said with just the feint of a smile. A wave of relief washed across my face. Finally, I had convinced Fr. Warner of my non-vocation to the priesthood. Then, he nudged the bishop with his elbow and mumbled, "But not for long." I

entered the seminary later that year. As I wrestled with my vocational decision over the next few months, Fr. Warner spoke to me from the depth of his personal relationship with God. He told me of the unconditional love of God for each of us. That God invited each of us into a deeper commitment to Him, not as a test to earn his love, but as a way of entering more deeply into that love, which was already ours. That each of us has a vocation to place our lives at the service of others, especially those in need, which, he assured me, is where our truest joy lies. These insights provided me with a great deal of interior freedom and courage, even in the midst of a seemingly restrictive and fearful calling from God. It was a freedom I saw verified in the brimming, joyful freedom with which Fr. Warner lived his vocation. His life witnesses the reality that love - whether in marriage, friendship, or religious commitment - invites an always deepening commitment to the other. Invitation to go deeper — "Come and see," "Come, follow me" — is perhaps Jesus' most frequent act in the Gospels. It is certainly a favorite pastime of Fr. Warner's, as countless Notre Dame students, alums, and staff have experienced personally. Everyone who encounters him is invited to delve deeper in their commitments, especially in their service to the Gospel.

Our Holy Cross community fondly tells and re-tells a story from Fr. Warner's days as our community Provincial, the "assignment dispenser" in our community. A difficult assignment needed to be filled, and Fr. Warner called a young priest into his office to persuade him. He described the position, and the young priest's face paled. The priest launched into a 15-minute litany of reasons why he couldn't - and wouldn't - do the job. Fr. Warner listened serenely, furrowed his brow, and with his trademark half-consoling, half-mischievous twinkle he gets in his eyes, said, "I think I heard a Yes in there." The young priest stared back disbelievingly, recounting his tirade and wondering where a Yes could possibly have been gleaned. Two hours later, the young priest left the office with his new assignment. He filled it with great grace and

revived a struggling school. From the day I entered the seminary in 1998 through these first six years of my priesthood, Fr. Warner has been personally present for every significant moment of my religious life. From my first vows in Colorado Springs, to my ordination at Notre Dame, from the night in Dillon Hall when I learned of my father's death to my grandmother's funeral in Philadelphia. Fr. Warner knows well the secret that commitments are more readily deepened when done in the companionship of friends.

Forgive these personal stories. I tell them because it is in the personal that another's holiness is most authentically experienced. The truly amazing reality is — how many others tell the same stories about Fr. Warner. Holy Cross religious worldwide. Members of the Notre Dame family. Fisher Hall residents, where Fr. Warner has lived

the past 22 years. Fr. Warner's own family and friends.

As our Provincial, Fr. Warner guided our Holy Cross community in Chile through the travails of the Pinochet dictatorship as we were stripped of our apostolates. He walked with our Uganda community as they worked in opposition to the cruelties of Idi Amin. He stood in Bangladesh in the midst of civil war when some of our brothers and sisters lost their lives. He has made countless visits to counsel and encourage our communities in India, Kenya, Peru, Ghana, Mexico and Brazil. As the pioneering Chair of Holy Cross' Solidarity Fund, he has supported myriad projects on behalf of human promotion among the poorest of the world. Most recently, he has committed himself to rebuilding our community in Haiti, especially our 15 Holy Cross schools, destroyed by recent catastrophe, and to creating a new National Teacher-Training Institute there. The people in each of these places could have written a column just like this one.

Thank you, Fr. Warner. You have changed our lives, and invited us to deepen our commitment to the Gospel. We are now walking with you, as you have been called to deepen your own commitment in this extraordinary way.

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Worth every penny

After more than a year of imprisonment in an Iranian jail, Sarah E. Shourd is finally able to come back to the United States. The young woman, along with two other American citizens, was captured in June

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2009 by the Iranian police for illegally trespassing the Iranian border while on a supposed hike in the Iraqi mountains. Last week, the Iranian government decided to release the woman –

who recently developed both a lump in her breast and precancerous cervical cellsupon the payment of a \$500,000 bail. Despite the negative incentive — for others to demand high bails in exchange for prisoners — that might arise from accepting the deal proposed by the Iranian government, paying the bail was the right decision. Getting a citizen back from a country that is holding her prisoner, especially when the detainee is in extremely poor health and runs the risk of becoming incurable, is worth \$500,000. There is a worry that paving the bail will lead to a slippery slope, with the Iranian government asking more and more money in exchange for the release of other prisoners accused of all sorts of misconduct. This possibility might indeed become reality, but in the present circumstance it is worth allowing a seriously ill American citizen back to the United States. Naysayers must keep in mind that, in the future, steps can be taken in order to make a situation like the present one less likely to happen, and thus responding to the bail request in this instant is not necessarily a step toward perpetual payments to Iran. Although we are glad Shourd is returning to the U.S., it is worth noticing that if the hikers were near the Iranian border, they behaved extremely irresponsibly as they completely disregarded the travel warning issued by the U.S. Bureau of Consular Affairs. According to the Bureau, people should avoid all but essential travel within Iraq; had the hikers been more cautious about their vacation destination, this regrettable situation would not have arisen.

It is also necessary to keep in mind that if the hikers did indeed cross the Iranian border, it was within the purview of the Iranian government to arrest them. The legitimacy of the hikers' arrest, however, does not in any way justify the fact that the prisoners were detained for more than a year without a trial. The slow procedure of the Iranian judiciary system was wrong and should be condemned. Nevertheless, the appraisal of unidentified foreigners who crossed the Iranian border was legitimate, according to the laws of the country - and it is a practice that might lawfully be enforced again. In the future, travelers should be more careful Paying the bail for Shourd leaves, however, a very problematic issue on the table: the future of the other two hikers who are still held captive. As a condition of the money transfer, more information about the other two prisoners and about the prospects for their trial should be requested. In the bestcase scenario, Shourd's liberation might ease the release process of her companions. In the meantime, Shourd will be able to come back to the U.S., where she will receive all the treatments that she needs. After all, \$500,000 is not too high a price for a life.

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commercial music, what do you

think of pop music today?

By DECLAN SULLIVAN Scene Writer

Whereas the focus of Bon Iver is usually on founder Justin Vernon, drummer S. Carey — real name Sean Carey — has been more in the limelight as of late.

His debut album, "All We Grow," an awesome album to just put on and relax to, was released on Aug. 24 to solid reviews, and he is currently on tour with The Tallest Man on Earth.

Recently, I managed to get a phone interview with Sean and ask him a few questions about getting into music, making his own album and life as a bonafide celebrity ... well, sort of.

So first the basics: Where are you from, how did you get into music, when did you first want to be in a band, all that stuff?

Sure. I grew up in Lake Geneva, Wisc., and I started playing drums when I was 10. I was into music even before that: my mom is a singer, and my dad is a musician and music teacher. I was listening to a lot of music as a kid, for sure. I remember I saw my oldest sister play in the middle school jazz band. and I thought that was the coolest thing, especially the drummer.

Really, for jazz band? I used to be in it. I never really pictured it as a cool thing.

(laughs) Yeah, I thought it was really cool. I played in jazz bands until ... well I still do. I definitely thought it was cool; I guess I'm a nerd.

Yeah, I guess everyone who played an instrument in high school was kind of a nerd in one

way or another: Join the club on that one. You can't really bust out the trumpet to get girls. (laughs) You just picked the wrong instrument.

Village or something.

Yea, there are a ton of awesome musicians up here, but yeah, especially growing up, it was like 'Oh man, I'll never be able to do anything unless I'm in L.A. or New

Yeah, that sounds great: we need

some more stuff coming out the

Midwest. What was it like creat-

ing an album? Like, how did you

Well, I didn't start out thinking I

was going to write an album. I had

a couple song ideas, and it just

went from there. I recorded a few

songs, and as time went on I got

further into those songs and

recorded more layers, then I had

friends come over and record stuff

I couldn't play, and by that time I

had come up with more songs until

finally I just had this full length

even start?

thing.

make your living just doing what you want like that. (laughs) Yeah, it's amazing.

GROWS to New Heghts wth Debut LP

Sean Carey!

Target.

Really?

that.

So with Bon Iver and now being a solo artist and everything, are

people ever just like 'Oh my god,

it's the guy from Bon Iver: It's

It's happened, yeah, mostly in

Eau Claire — It's a pretty small

town — but it's happened in

Minneapolis and places like that,

but not a lot: it's kind of random. It

happened once while I was in

(laughing) Yeah, some suburb of

Minneapolis. It was weird, but it

was flattering too. I mean meeting

Yeah, sometimes I have no idea

what to say. I just kind of say 'Hey

... thanks for coming to say hi ...

Yeah, I'm probably not the best at

just jumping into conversations like

Embracing the whole famous

Yeah, don't really want to be that

guy. I like being successful, but I'm not going to be Mr. Cool Rock Star

In the grand scope of things, your

music isn't exactly on the Hot

100 Billboard. As the kind of the

musician that plays relatively non-

Do you ever know what to say?

fans ... yeah it's cool.

rock star person?

(laughing) or whatever.

I like pop a lot; my wife only likes that stuff, so that's what's on in the

car. I don't know all the artists, but I'm definitely into hip-hop and a lot of pop. Some of it's bad. but I like it: you know what I mean? I've defi-nitely warmed up to that stuff in the past few years. It's part of our musical culture, and it reflects a lot of things that are going on right now.

Ok last question, a bit of a tough one. If you could pitch your album as a movie, how would you do it? Like, do you think it tells a story, and what is that story?

Oh man, that's good. There's not a specific story. I can see certain images and scenes for songs I can see the album starting off. It's like morning, like it starts on a ship or a boat, but the camera is not on the ship. It's focusing on everything around. It's all foggy and dark blue. The sun is just coming out, but it's still all cloudy and foggy.

You're going somewhere, but you don't really know where. Then you start to see the edge of land and the different textures of the shore. You get to some pier, and you're docking at this pier, but you're still not sure what your journey is: I'm not sure what happens after that.

S. Carey is making a stop in South Bend of all places on Sept. 23 at Subkirke — and old church turned concert hall — where he'll be headlining his first show on his tour. His album is great, haunting and melodic, and hearing it in an old church should only add to the vibe. It will be an awesome show.

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What other instruments do you York or Chicago or whatever,' but play? It's not really beat-intensive now it seems like there's a bunch of like on a lot of other solo albums Eau Claire bands getting some by drummers. Yours was a lot recognition. It's a really cool, really more melodic and ambient, which supportive community. I found kind of surprising. Did you

album? I played most everything on the album except a little bit of pedal steel [guitar]; I don't know how to play that. I also didn't play any of the woodwind stuff. My friend Nick played a little bit of the guitar stuff, and this guy Jeremy Boettcher played bass, but yeah, the rest was mostly me.

play any other instruments on the

Where'd you find the time to pick up all those instruments?

Well, ever since I was growing up, I wanted to play other instruments, especially guitar and piano. I worked on them for a long time, trying to learn Ben Folds songs, or Weezer and Radiohead songs. You can learn drum parts, but it's more fun to learn the other parts. I learned a lot of the melodic percussion stuff — vibes, marimba — at University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

I didn't know there was a big music scene in Wisconsin; I always pictured you [and Bon Iver] being from Greenwich When did you find time to do all that with Bon Iver going on? Well, we would go out on tour for

a month and then be back for three weeks. I didn't have anything to do when I was home besides rest and hang out with family and friends, so I had some time to focus on it. It's not like I was coming back and working a day job or anything.

That's got to be sweet just to

By ALEX KILPATRICK Scene Writer

Eastern Conference Champions was, not too long ago, an unknown indie band from Philly. Now the trio, consisting of lead singer and guitarist Josh Ostrander, drummer Greg Lyons and bassist Melissa Dougherty, lives in Los Angeles.

They were brought to the spotlight twice this year, with a spot on the "Eclipse" soundtrack as well as their rendition of Bob Dylan's "Don't Think Twice, It's All Right" featured on the season finale of "Gossip Girl.'



Why did you choose the name Eastern Conference **Champions?**

We kind of picked it before the whole Internet thing took off. and we didn't realize that we would have to type it out all the time. We chose it because we're from Philly. We have a hockey team there called the they win, they call themselves Eastern Conference the Champions.

How does it feel having a song on the "Eclipse" soundtrack? Do you feel more successful as a band?

It's crazy. We thought we might have a chance to get it. We submitted a few songs, and they really liked the third song we submitted. When we finally got the call, it was kind of crazy, for an unsigned, unknown band to get that spot. It was a sign that we were doing the right thing, and that we should just keep doing what we were doing. **Team Edward or Team** Jacob? Melissa is definitely Team Jacob, but Greg and I are Team Edward. It's funny;

when we went to the Red

Carpet, everyone asked us

that, but we didn't know

much about the movie, so

we would just say, 'what?'

Your new LP is rumored to

in response.

release in the fall. How would you describe your sound for the new album?

The LP is probably not going to come out until the beginning of next year. We've been talking to labels, but they're probably not going to want it to come out until next year. But as for our sound, we take risks that we probably wouldn't have taken decided to use it for the show.

Who are your other musical influences?

We're not too bothered with new music. We tend to listen to classic rock when we're driving around as a band. We try not to pull too much from anybody. When we're writing new music, we try to sound as natural as possible.

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nve years ago.

Can you briefly describe your music-making process?

It's pretty straight-ahead and easy to get things done. I usually come up with ideas on guitar and piano, and then we do a rough demo. Greg and Melissa will tell me what they like and don't like about the demo.

Your cover of Bob Dylan's "Don't Think Twice, It's All **Right**" was featured on the season finale of Gossip Girl. Is Bob Dylan a major influence on your music?

Yeah, Dylan's just kind of cool. He's the master. When we put out the last LP, we would put up a cover each week. The Dylan cover is the one I picked, and Gossip Girl picked it up and

How has your music evolved over the past few years?

I think we take more risks than we normally would. Once we were at a label, we started writing songs that we wanted to write. We said, let's put a fiveminute song on the CD. Let's let our music go where we want it to go. We're very excited about the new record that's coming out and for people to listen to it. It's a really well thought-out record.

Anything else you would like to add?

Yes, come to our Chicago show on Sept. 24.

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Weekend Events Calendar

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'Get Him to the Greek' 10 p.m., DeBartolo 101

This week's SUB movie is the hilarious follow-up to 2008's "Forgetting Sarah Marshall." In "Get Him to the Greek," Russell Brand stars again as narcissistic musician Aldous Snow. An intern (Jonah Hill, also of "Sarah Marshall") is hired to escort Snow from his home in England to the Greek Theater in Los Angeles. Ridiculous mishaps and general hilarity ensue in this summer hit. "Get Him to the Greek" is showing in DeBartolo 101 Thursday at 10 p.m. The film will also be shown Friday and Saturday at 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$3.

Niles Haunted House Scream Park 8 to 11 p.m., Niles, Mich.

Start the Halloween season off right with the Niles Haunted House Scream Park in Niles, Mich. The park features five different haunted attractions: a brand new Haunted House, Zach's Zombie Motel, stories of phantom pirate ships at the Legend of Pirates Cove, a mile-long Haunted Hayride and a haunted maze at the Field of Screams. The park is open from 8 to 11 p.m. and all attractions are under \$10. The Niles Haunted House Scream Park runs on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays throughout all of October.

Cavanaugh Game Watch on North 8 p.m., North Quad

Not making the road trip to Michigan State this weekend? Join your fellow students and watch the Irish take on the Spartans this Saturday night when Cavanaugh Hall sponsors a game watch on North Quad. Bring your friends, some blankets and the Shirt over to watch the game on a big screen right in the middle of North Quad from 8 p.m. to midnight and cheer the Irish to victory. Don't miss this opportunity to show your school spirit on North Quad Saturday night.

'Metropolis' 3 p.m., DPAC

See the newly restored version of Fritz Lang's film masterpiece with 25 minutes of brand new footage. "Metropolis," a classic of silent cinema, takes place in a futuristic dystopia divided strictly by class. This social hierarchy is shaken up when the son of a rich city official falls in love with a working-class prophet who heralds the coming of a savior to reform society. A copy of the film with an additional 25 minutes of footage was recently discovered in Argentina and is being screened in the Browning Cinema at DPAC at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$3 for students.

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Shamrock Snack Shack: McGlinn Hall

Where: First floor, special events kitchen

When: Tuesday through Thursday, 9 p.m. to 12 a.m.

Everything in this cute little shop is less than a dollar! Volunteers from McGlinn bake everything — including cupcakes, cookies and a glutenfree "bag of the week" item (this week's is puppy chow). Besides the daily offerings, students (and parents) can order specially baked cakes by emailing dmckane@nd.edu. Those prices vary according to the size and intricacy of the order. All profits go to the dorm. For additional information, join the Facebook page.

Highlander Grill: Duncan Hall

Where: First floor, 24-hour lounge When: Sunday through Thursday, 10 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.; Friday through Saturday, 12 a.m. to 2:30 a.m.

A variety of backyard barbecue joys fill out the menu at the Grille, including staples like hamburgers and cheese dogs. The signature dish, however, is "The FT" (named for the hall's rector, Fr. Tom Eckert). The \$3 chicken sandwich is topped with bacon, barbecue sauce and mozzarella cheese.

Bullwinkles: Dillion

When: Sunday, 9 p.m. to 12:30

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Ed's: St. Edward's Hall

Where: Room 106

When: Sunday through Thursday, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Friday through Saturday, 12 a.m. to 3 a.m.

The newest dorm food establishment on campus is Ed's, serving up a mix of crispy carbohydrates and ice cream shop favorites. Prices range from \$2 to \$5 for hot Paninis, mozzarella sticks, Pizza Bites, milkshakes, smoothies and "ice cream novelties," according to Brian Conway, vice president of St. Edward's Hall. The profits go back into the dorm to fund signature events like Founder's Week and the Yacht Dance. a.m.; Monday through Thursday 9:30 p.m. to 12 a.m.

Bullwinkles is the training site for future entrepreneurs. One Dillonite is chosen to run Bullwinkles every year. He hires his own staff from amongst his dorm mates and chooses their salary. He keeps the rest of the profits since he is basically the owner for the year. Their menu consists of pizza bagels, buffalo chicken wings, chicken nuggets, cheese fries, nachos, mozzarella sticks and pretzels. Special combo meals, such as the P. Diddy Platter and the Happy Meal, are provided. Prices start as low as \$0.50. For additional information check out their webpage on https://www.nd.edu/~dillon/bullwinkles.html.

Check back tomorrow for more profiles of dorm eateries.

NCAA FOOTBALL

Young still considers Bush Heisman winner

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Vince Young says he didn't want the Heisman Trophy anyway.

The Heisman Trust decided Wednesday to vacate the 2005 award after Reggie Bush gave it up Tuesday. The news came shortly after Young talked to reporters, trying to dodge questions about the Heisman because he's busy preparing for his first career start against Pittsburgh.

The man who finished a distant second to Bush in the Heisman voting has been deluged with questions over the past week. Did Young want the Heisman? Would Young accept?

Young said in a couple of tweets Tuesday night that he considers Bush the 2005 Heisman winner. He repeated that Wednesday and begged reporters to quit asking about the Heisman.

"Why would I want it?" he asked.

Young got his say on the field in the BCS national championship about a month after Bush accepted that Heisman in New York, leading Texas to the title by running for 200 yards and throwing for 267 yards. He scored two touchdowns in the final 4:03 and was named the MVP. Young even struck the Heisman pose cradling the

crystal football given to the Longhorns as BCS champions.

Titans tight end Bo Scaife, who played with Young at Texas, said they all know the quarterback was disappointed he didn't win the Heisman in 2005.

"He took that out in the national championship," Scaife said.

Young said Monday on ESPN's SportsCenter that he wanted the Heisman. Asked about that comment Wednesday, Young said that was a joke taken the wrong way.

"I'm worried about the Pittsburgh Steelers right now. I really don't even want to answer no questions about no Heisman Trophy if y'all can please help me out with it," Young said.

Teammate Chris Johnson understands Young not wanting the Heisman.

"At the end of the day, everybody's still going to know that he won the Heisman that year even though he doesn't have it in his possession, he's still the Heisman winner for that year," Johnson said.

Young has plenty to console himself as he looks back.

Besides that national title, Young was the first quarterback drafted — at No. 3 overall — in April 2006. He won the NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year award and made the first of two Pro Bowl appearances. Only the late Steve McNair, George Blanda and Warren Moon have gone to more for this franchise.

Sure, Bush now has a Super Bowl ring with the Saints, and that's something Young wants for himself and his teammates in Tennessee (1-0).

It's why he's focused on Pittsburgh. Young watched from the sideline the past two seasons as the Titans beat the Steelers in December 2008 during their 13-3 season, after losing his starting job to Kerry Collins, and was the backup in the 13-10 overtime loss in Pittsburgh to open last season.

"He's not worried about the Heisman," Scaife said. "He's worried about beating Pittsburgh. This is his first time playing Pittsburgh so he's a little more excited than usual. He definitely wants to be 2-0 at the end of this week along with everyone else in this locker room."

Young is playing pretty well these days, too.

He is 9-2 since getting his starting job back last season and is the NFL's top-rated passer after the opening week with a 142.8 rating. He was 13 of 17 for 154 yards and two touchdowns, and he also ran seven times for 30 yards more. The 38-13 win over Oakland



Vince Young, left, and Reggie Bush pose in New York following the Heisman Trophy Presentation in 2005.

improved Young to 27-13 as a starter in his career, the seventh-best winning percentage among all active quarterbacks.

Titans coach Jeff Fisher said any first start against the Steelers' defense is challenging for any quarterback.

"He's got a big week ahead of him and he's off to a good start today. This is a team that literally controls the line of scrimmage on both sides of the ball, and then confuses the most experienced of quarterbacks," Fisher said.

Young said his confidence is high, but he wants to see how he matches up against Pittsburgh's defense.

"It's never the same when you're out there when bullets are flying around and things like that," Young said.

NFL

Jackson ready to assume starting role for injured Grant

Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Brandon Jackson doesn't have an established track record of consistent production like the player he's replacing. Still, the Green Bay Packers are confident he can carry the load in the wake of Ryan Grant's season-ending ankle injury.

And if Jackson can't stay healthy, things really get dicey.

The Packers kept only two true halfbacks, Grant and Jackson, on their 53-man roster coming out of training camp. With Grant gone, Jackson's main backup and the Packers' primary third-down option for the time being is John Kuhn — a fullback who has shown enough ability with the ball in his hands to become an and now it's an emergency," Kuhn said. "We need to go out and perform."

Going into Sunday's home opener against Buffalo, some might see a team with Super Bowl aspirations suddenly being one injury away from having a fullback as their No. 1 running back — especially after Jackson has missed time with injuries in each of the past three season.

Packers coach Mike McCarthy considers Kuhn more than just a fullback. McCarthy says Kuhn, who was a record-setting rusher at Division II Shippensburg University, has plenty of experience in the Packers' one-back offensive sets.

"The one-back position carries fullback and halfback responsibilities, and we're prepared to go forward," McCarthy said. "So I don't look at us as one play away from being locked into playing with a different position at the (halfback) position of our offense."

Backup plans aside, Jackson is confident he can carry the load. A second-round pick out of Nebraska in 2007, Jackson has become an effective third-down back.

"They've always been telling me you're one play away, and just be ready," Jackson said. "Obviously I've been doing that for three years now, a long time coming. And it's here, and I'm taking advantage of it."

The Packers did add depth this week, signing relative unknown Dimitri Nance off the Atlanta Falcons' practice squad. Nance, who went undrafted out of Arizona State, describes himself as an inside runner with an ability to break tackles and catch had a chance to watch him today. Very explosive, instinctive, definitely has a very strong, quick lower half. Everything we saw on film was validated today. He is a young player and I think he will be a good fit for us."

And there has been speculation that it might make sense for the Packers to trade for a running back — including a potential move for a player they'll face Sunday, the Bills' Marshawn Lynch.

Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers, who played with Lynch at Cal in college, would be all for it. Asked what he would say if the Packers' front office asked him about Lynch, Rodgers responded, "bring him on."

"I think when you give a guy a change of scenery, and a guy like that who might feel like he has something to prove, and surround him with two guys, (linebacker Desmond) Bishop and myself, who have played with him, I think that can only help him feel comfortable and see a lot of production," Rodgers said.

But Packers general manager Ted Thompson isn't known for making splashy moves out of desperation and doesn't like to part with future draft picks. So for now, it's Jackson, Kuhn and Nance.

Grant was not present when the team's locker room was open to reporters Wednesday. On his Twitter account, Grant said he felt like he had a chance of returning later in the season but understood that the Packers needed the roster spot.

"You can sit here and say he would have been ready for the playoffs based on someone else that went through it in the past," McCarthy said. "You look at past injuries, but it's all about the individual. It's about the doctor's opinion of the specific injury."

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"It's one of those things where you work on it in the preseason as an emergency-type situation, I passes.

"He is actually someone that we were looking at through training camp," McCarthy said. "I just

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NFL

All-Pro safety to undergo surgery

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Last week, Colts safety Bob Sanders said he was as healthy as he's ever been.

Now, he's going to be out of action indefinitely.

The 2007 NFL defensive player of the year had surgery Wednesday to repair a torn biceps muscle in his right arm, an injury that could end his season again. Team officials are not yet saying how much time Sanders could miss.

"I don't know, and I don't want to say anything until I have all the information," coach Jim Caldwell said before the Colts' practiced Wednesday.

A couple of hours later, the Colts (0-1) announced the surgery.

Sanders was hurt Sunday when he landed awkwardly on his shoulder during Houston's first offensive series.

He did light work during a non-contact practice Monday before having an MRI, then met with Dr. James Andrews in Alabama to get a second opinion Wednesday morning. Apparently, Andrews determined the two-time Pro Bowler needed surgery. For Sanders, it's the latest addition to his long list of injuries.

Just 10 months ago, Sanders went on season-ending injured reserve with a torn biceps in the left arm. And since winning the league's top defensive honor and signing a \$37.5 million contract after the 2007 season, Sanders has played in just nine games. He's actually missed more games (49) than he's played in (48) during his seven-year career.

Teammates are preparing for the worst.

"He's a family member and we'd love to have him out there," Pro Bowl defensive end Dwight Freeney said. "But life goes on, the game goes on. Unfortunately, we've played a lot of games without him, and I feel bad for him personally."

If there is any good news for Sanders, it's this: Indy is keeping him on the 53-man active roster, for now.

The team's release said it would "monitor" Sanders' rehabilitation before making any additional decision.

"There's definitely several different routes that he can go," team owner Jim Irsay said Tuesday. "But it's way too early to say that he's definitely done for the season."



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TENNIS

NBA coach Karl inspires Broncos



Broncos head coach Josh McDaniels fields questions during a press conference Friday. The Broncos are 0-1 after a loss to the Jaguars.

Associated Press

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — Denver Nuggets coach George Karl was Denver Broncos coach Josh McDaniels' special guest Wednesday.

Both men were jokingly asked if Karl was at Dove Valley to seek advice on how to handle a superstar who wants out of town. The Nuggets are trying to persuade All-Star forward Carmelo Anthony to sign an extension.

McDaniels, who has sent Pro Bowl players Jay Cutler and Brandon Marshall packing in his short time in Denver, feigned ignorance on the matter.

Karl said he didn't know how to answer the question, either, but added: "Fortunately, it's not my expertise or my realm of responsibility. My realm is to try to convince Melo to stay. And I'll continue to do that when I have those opportunities.'

McDaniels invited Karl to spend the day with him and his staff, and Karl brought along an assistant that helps prepare scouting reports to pick up tips from the Broncos. Karl sat in on team meetings, watched practice and also planned to address the team.

Karl, a two-time cancer survivor, just came off a week's vacation as he prepares to return to coaching full-time after fighting throat-and-neck cancer in the spring.

"I'm a big fan of his and what he's done in his career," McDaniels said. "He's overcome a great deal of adversity ... It's just a great privilege for our team to have him around us. He's been in the meetings, he'll be at practice, just sharing his experiences and I'm trying to pick his brain in terms of just dealing with this level of coaching and whether it be the NBA or the NFL.

"They're just paying attention to some of the things that we do to try to get our team ready to go and like I said, it's kind of a full circle because I'm going to pick their brains and see if there's anything that we can do better that they know," McDaniels said.

That didn't include any advice on how to handle Anthony, who's been the subject of trade rumors all summer as a three-year, \$65 million extension sits on the table without his signature.

Anthony has said he's just taking his time making a decision, but fearful fans point to him putting his Denver-area mansion up for sale amid reports he'd like to take his game to the Big Apple, where he and TV personality LaLa Vazquez were married over the summer.

Federer to take tournament off

Associated Press

BASEL, Switzerland — Roger Federer will skip Switzerland's Davis Cup match in Kazakhstan this weekend to stay fresh for the rest of the season.

"I need some extra time to relax after the intense weeks in North America so I can finish the year strong," Federer said Wednesday on his official website.

Federer reached the U.S. Open semifinals — losing in five sets to

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Novak Djokovic last Saturday won the Cincinnati Masters, and lost in the Toronto Masters final.

Federer is next scheduled to play at the Shanghai Masters starting Oct. 10, then return to Europe for the indoor hardcourt season.

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the NCAA tournament paired with some of her own, she hopes this year is it.

"I think that if we keep playing the way we are playing, and working hard day in and day out, we will undoubtedly be able to attain these goals," Sciacca said.

"Individually, I want to finish my career as strongly as possible. I want to go out with a

bang. I have set personal statistical blocking goals and hitting percentage goals for myself that nobody really knows about, and if I can achieve these goals I know I

will be helping my team out tremendously."

And it certainly looks as if both the Irish (7-2) and Sciacca are on their way. Recently competing in Denver's Pioneer Invite over the past weekend, Notre Dame swept all three of its matches for the first time since 2005. Sciacca played a large role in the Irish victory to move her individual statistics up to 117 kills and 42 blocks.

Sciacca's notable statistics have not come without significant hard work and improvement.

"Certainly, she has become a smarter and better player with each season and the game

experience she's had the previous three years is paying huge dividends for us," Brown said. "We will look to her to continue to carry a big load offensively as well as lead us in blocking."

The 2008 season entered Sciacca into the Irish record books as her .337 career hitting percentage ranked second in school history. During the 2009 season,

During the 2009 season, Sciacca's third year on the team, her already notable skills began to really stand out. She moved her career hit-

> ting percentage up to .343, still second-best, while going .359 for the season. Her hitting put her as the sixth best singleseason all-time percentage for Notre Dame and

as 31st nationally.

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Debbie Brown Irish coach

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impressive hitting percentage were 223 kills and 90 blocks, the fourth and second best team totals, respectively. And it's all coming from a girl whose height started it all.

"I started playing volleyball in eighth grade just because I was tall," the 6-foot-1 Sciacca said.

With her height and a killer arm, she began to have an unmistakable love for the sport that she dreamed would bring her to Notre Dame, even if it meant hours from her Colorado home.

"When I started getting recruited, Notre Dame was always in the back of my mind because I have been a fan ever since I was little," she said. "After I took my unofficial visit to Notre Dame, I knew it was the right place for me and I committed shortly after and I haven't looked back since."

Although playing on a varsity team has defined her college experience, Sciacca feels that it has only proved that coming to Notre Dame was the right decision.

"Playing on the Notre Dame volleyball team has shaped my college experience in a very positive way," Sciacca said. "[B]eing able to use my talents to represent the university is [a] really rewarding experience. Also, the relationships that I have built with my teammates other the years are unlike any other relationships I have otherwise established here at Notre Dame."

But numbers aren't all that Sciacca hopes to leave behind at Notre Dame.

"I want to instill in the freshmen and underclassmen a good sense of what it means to work hard, be successful, and be a good teammate," Sciacca said. "I also want to finish high in the record books as far as my career hitting percentage goes. The statistical records are nice, but I would rather be remembered as a great teammate and as a person with a great work ethic that just loves to play."

Sciacca and the Irish will be hosting the Notre Dame Invitational this weekend at the Purcell Pavilion, featuring Delaware, Santa Clara and Dayton.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Calvin defeats Belles in three sets

By ANDREW OWENS Sports Writer

Saint Mary's gave MIAA rival Calvin a run for their money, but the Knights ultimately proved to be too much for the Belles.

The No. 4 Knights won 3-0 (25-20, 25-18, 25-18) en route to another conference win and continue to be a thorn in the Belles' side, having beaten Saint Mary's three times last season as well. The loss drops Saint Mary's to 2-6 (1-2 MIAA).

While Calvin swept the match, Saint Mary's fought to hold strong against the experienced Knight's offense. While it may not have resulted in a victory, the Belles have much to take from the loss.

After an impressive 3-0 win over Albion to start the season, Wednesday's loss is the Belles' second consecutive conference defeat. Despite losing all three sets, the Belles appeared kept up a high level of competition in each one. In the third set, Saint Mary's led 14-9, forcing the Knights to call a timeout and regroup. Calvin answered by winning 16 of the next 20 points to claim the match. Saint Mary's managed to pick up seven blocks on the night to Calvin's four.

Sophomore Autumn Nelson led the Belles' attack with seven kills. Belles sophomore Stephanie Bodien added in five and freshman teammate Christi Wyble had four.

Saint Mary's freshman Hailee Leitz notched a team-high 18 assists on the night. Wyble added two solo blocks for the Belles, as well as two block assists.

Junior Danie Brink added six assists and one dig on the night.

The Belles return to the court this weekend when they travel to Manchester College Invitational on Saturday and Sunday. Their opponents include Anderson, Purdue North Central, Principia and Grace. The tournament will mark the end of non-conference play for the Belles before picking up MIAA play again next week when they host Kalamazoo.

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right again, and hopefully correct the bad as well so there is more right than wrong."

Whenever "next time" comes, Montana can expect to only handle a portion of the playbook, Irish coach Brian Kelly said. After the 28-24 loss Saturday, Kelly said the blame for the backups' poor performance belonged on his shoulders for not preparing them properly.

erly. "I just have to do a better job getting them ready," Kelly said. "Maybe [I could have] created a package that was just for them and had that been the case, maybe they could have managed the game a little bit better."

In his Tuesday press conference, Kelly said that package was becoming a reality already, in preparation for any unforeseen circumstances that may arise during this weekend's game at Michigan State.

"We're going to settle on a package that suits both of them. I think we have to have something that really allows both of those guys to feel comfortable out there and still run our offense in a productive manner," he said. "We focused a lot on that in our preparation and in our meetings. I'm certain we'll be in a much better place

this weekend if we have to go them when they go in the game."

But Montana and Rees agree — their success depends on more than a limited package.

"It was good experience going in there and getting a couple of reps," said Rees, exac who enrolled in January to participate in spring practice with the team. "Now that's behind me, I need to look forward and keep working hard every day in practice."

Working hard in practice would not have inherently prepared either of them for what they faced Saturday, Montana said.

"There is nothing like a live game, especially against Michigan at home," he said. "I don't know if you'll get a bigger rush anywhere else."

"They're competitive

kids. They want to

learn. They want to

get better."

Brian Kelly

After that baptism by fire, Montana said he sees prac-

tice in an entirely different light than he did before.

"I definitely feel a little bit more comfortable in practice," he said. "It is a little slower now that I have seen the game speed ... Now that I have a

taste, I know exactly how much more time I need to spend in the film room, mentally preparing for practice as well."

Kelly emphasized the importance of practice for the two backup quarterbacks, both before, and even



Tommy Rees, shown in the Blue and Gold game, received limited action against Michigan, throwing two passes in two drives.

more so after, Saturday's game.

"They're competitive kids. They want to learn. They want to get better," Kelly said. "I think they'll understand that practice for them is absolutely crucial, staying locked in all the time."

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Elmhurst

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the team's rough start, put in a solid performance during her time in goal.

Walsh, along with the Saint Mary's defense, was able to ward off Elmhurst for the majority of the first half until the Blue Jays finally broke through in the 39th minute. Additional goals in the 59th and 80th minute sealed the match for Elmhurst.

The Belles also put a few nice shots on net, but were unable to capitalize. Freshman Mollie Valencia had a pair of looks while her classmate Kaitlin Teichman and sophomore Maddie Meckes each added a shot apiece.

The Belles, who still have three remaining games before beginning conference play, will look to register their first win at home against Illinois Tech on Friday.

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court with you. In singles, it is you against your opponent," Mathews said. "I really enjoy both, but for different reasons."

Frilling agreed, sharing the love for both aspects of the game.

"Singles and doubles are both completely different games and it's fun to adjust your game to each," she said.

The Irish will begin their fall schedule Oct. 3 in Pacific Palisades, Calif. for the All-American Pre Qualifying Tournament.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Love is in the stars and formulating an intimate agreement with someone will lead to a fun evening and a greater understanding of the possibilities that lie ahead. Show your emotions instead of hiding how you feel. $\star\star$

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Someone will try to stand in your way or lead you in the wrong direction. Do your own research. You cannot leave anything to chance, especially when there are people waiting to sabotage your every move. ********

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Someone who has something to contribute to your plans, ideas or a project should be contacted. A partnership may not start off well but it has the potential to turn into a profitable working relationship. *******

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Trust in your own judgment and knowledge, not what someone tells you. If you are the one making the changes, you won't feel displaced. However, if you allow someone else to shift things around, you will be at a disadvantage. Discipline will be necessary. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't let anyone tell you that you cannot do something when you know you are fully capable of the task. You have to show your wisdom, leader-ship, strength and courage if you want to surpass the expectations of others. $\star \star \star$

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Problems will arise if you are too giving or attainable. A problem will arise if you don't limit your spending or are too willing to give to others. Take care of your needs and those of your family first. ***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your ability to deal will bring a contract or proposal, helping you get your ideas up and running. A partnership will lead to personal changes, making your life easier and offering the assistance you need to reach your goals and ease stress. *******

Birthday Baby: You have initiative and discipline and are determined to protect what you have and the people you love. You are insightful and open to change

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FOOTBALL

Backup plan

Struggles against Michigan prompt Kelly to focus on backup quarterbacks Rees, Montana

By DOUGLAS FARMER Sports Editor

When freshman quarterback Tommy Rees took the field to begin Notre Dame's second possession Saturday, his appearance surprised many Irish fans.

Two possessions later, junior Nate Montana replaced Rees, and confusion reigned among Notre Dame fans.

In due time, they learned starting quarterback Dayne Crist had suffered a head injury, but they still had questions about Rees and Montana. Rees only attempted two passes, completing one to a Michigan defender, while Montana completed eight of his 17 attempts for 104 yards, along with an interception and one costly overthrow.

"There were things I did right, and there were things I did I did wrong," said Montana, a former walk-on. "I'm learning from both, so that next time I'll probably do it

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Nate Montana carries the ball in Notre Dame's Sept. 11 game against Michigan. Montana entered the game after Dayne Crist exited with an eye injury. Montana was 8-for-17 with one interception.

SMC SOCCER Belles fail to score in road loss

By BOBBY GRAHAM Sports Writer

The Belles fell to Elmhurst 3-0 Wednesday, and are still looking for an answer to what has been a slow start to their season.

Despite solid defensive play throughout the first six matches, Saint Mary's has continually found itself on the wrong end of things, from strange bounces to brief miscommunications and everything in between. The Belles (0-6) have scored only two goals this season, while giving up a conference-high 25 goals against.

Belles coach Michael Joyce shook up the lineup in the Belles' most recent loss, hoping that some change might provide the squad with a little boost. Sophomore Caitlin Walsh took over in goal for junior Kristen Nelson, who, despite

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS Frilling receives high ranking in singles poll

Junior to compete in All-American event

By MEGAN FINNERAN Sports Writer

Juniors Kristy Frilling and Shannon Mathews ranked in the preseason Campbell/ITA Rankings, both individually in singles and as a doubles pair.

Frilling was also selected compete in the Riviera/ITA All-American Championship.

Both Frilling and Mathews

already ranked brings mixed reviews from the pair regardless of having been in this situation before.

"It definitely puts a bit more pressure on, but I'm really excited to play this fall and keep up with my rankings," Frilling said. Rather than feeling pres-sured, Mathews said she is

excited for the ranking.

"It is a great feeling going into a match, tournament or season knowing that we are expected to do well," she said. For now, Frilling and Mathews' said their agendas consist of fall tournaments to stay in shape and on top of their game before the intensity of the spring arrives. In the past two years, the Irish team has advanced to the NCAA Final Four, where both Frilling and Mathews hope to find themselves again this season.

ND WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL Sciacca focused on record



have previously been ranked in the singles preseason polls, where Frilling now stands in eighth and Mathews at 42nd.

This is my first time being ranked in the top 10 in singles. I'm excited for the fall tournaments and hope to improve my ranking," Frilling said.

Last season, the doubles matches that the duo played together were enough to earn them the preseason ranking of tenth for the upcoming season.

"I really enjoyed playing with Kristy," Mathews said. "My doubles game will only improve playing alongside her. We look forward to competing against the top players in the nation."

season Entering the

The two are set to play as a doubles pair again this season, but that may change as time progresses. Both players said they enjoy the atmosphere doubles brings.

"With doubles, you have a partner out there on the

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PAT COVENEY/The Ob

Senior Kellie Sciacca, right, celebrates in an Aug. 29 match against Arizona, recently moved into second place in Notre Dame volleyball history in hitting percentage.

By MEAGHAN VESELIK Sports Writer

Swinging her way into the Irish record books as the second best career hitter isn't enough for Kellie Sciacca. She wants to be the first name in the list. In fact, being the best is the driving force behind all she does, for herself and for her teammates.

'Winning motivates me," the senior said. "Being the best motivates me. Off the court too, being the best I can possibly be is what motivates me to work hard."

Sciacca's hard work can be seen in the impressive numbers she has posted in her Notre Dame career and in her coach's observations, especially in her performances this season.

"Kellie has had a terrific start to the season," Irish coach Debbie Brown said. "She has been our 'go to'

player on offense and her blocking is the best it's ever been."

Sciacca has definitely shown her strongest playing in her senior season. She is working to make sure that this year is the time both she and her team come out on top. With clearly defined team goals of once again winning the Big East and advancing in

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LEADING BY EXAMPLE

Armando Allen gets serious

tration by Pat Coveney and Blair Chemidlin

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COMMENTARY

Notre Dame could be on the right track

I try to avoid comparing Brian Kelly to Charlie Weis, and I'd rather not reference "last year" after every win, loss, practice or press conference.

But the fact is, the Irish are 1-1 and coming off a heartbreaking loss to Michigan -

just as they were a year ago which, as hard as we may try, makes it difficult to ignore the parallels to last sea-

son.

Your individual degree of optimism or pessimism will

Dame's first two performances under Kelly. If your glass is half full, you might argue that tackling has improved, the offensive line looks stronger and with a healthy Dayne Crist under center, the Irish would be 2-0. If your glass is half empty, you'll say that "improved"

tackling allowed an opposing quarterback more than 500 yards of offense, the line couldn't spring the run game when Notre Dame needed it most, and that whether Crist is healthy or not, there should be a quarterback capable of running the offense

I've been staring at my proverbial glass all week, and I'm still not sure how I feel, so I won't argue for either view. The truth is, we won't know how this Irish team is different from the last until they step onto the field in East Lansing on Saturday night.

There's no doubt the Michigan loss stung, especially because of how eerily similar it was to last year's shocking finish at the Big House. So while I'm hesitant to say the Irish will recover this season as they were largely unable to a year ago, I must admit I have a completely different feeling following Notre Dame's first loss this season.

season, and I was on the sideline for the Wolverines' game-winning score. When Weis walked to the podium for his postgame press conference, I didn't want to listen — I could barely even look up, I was so disgusted by what I had witnessed moments prior. As we all know, we saw similar moments throughout last season, when every Irish loss seemed to come down to the final possession. After each of those losses, Weis delivered the same kind of message: he felt bad for his players and was proud of them for fighting until the end, but

he was disappointed they couldn't make one last play to secure a win.

I'm not trying to blast Weis here, as I can surely understand those sentiments and appreciate how difficult it is to stomach a series of gutwrenching losses. But after hearing

Kelly's comseason that began just ments in light of Saturday's as the last, it's far too loss, I can't early to pass judgment help but feel on where this team is like this team is much more going. But if the vibe equipped to Kelly gives off is any turn a tough indication, I'd have to defeat into a speed bump, say the Irish aren't not a roadblock. "It's not

> good enough to [say], 'Well, Notre Dame plays hard for four quarters.' You have to play hard, and you have to win," Kelly said. "There won't be any more smiley faces around here

> until we win. Not exactly a revolutionary statement, but when was the last time we heard that point made so bluntly? Perhaps more importantly, when was the last time you heard people commend teams like Alabama, Texas and Ohio State for "playing hard?" Shouldn't that be a given? Isn't it?

It appears that now, at Notre Dame, it is.

Two weeks into a season that began just as the last, it's far too early to pass judgment on where this team is going. But if the vibe Kelly gives off is any indication, I'd have to say the Irish aren't done yet.

FOOTBALL RECRUITING Atkinsons, Tuitt commit to Irish

By DOUGLAS FARMER Sports Editor

Notre Dame may have lost to Michigan Saturday, but the Irish still impressed three of the four visiting recruits well enough that they committed to Notre Dame within the week. Two even offered their commitments before leaving campus over the weekend.

George and Josh Atkinson gave Irish coach Brian Kelly their verbal commitments Sunday, followed by defensive end Stephon Tuitt Wednesday night, and in doing so strengthened Notre Dame's already stellar recruiting class, Irish recruiting expert Mike Frank said.

"In landing the two quality caliber of players in George and Josh, that is the kind of player you are looking for," said Frank, who heads the online ESPN affiliate Irish Sports Daily. "Notre Dame needed some of those guys who can just make things happen in space, and [George] is certainly one of those guys.'

Also visiting last weekend, both safety Wayne Lyons and defensive end Stephon Tuitt were impressed by Notre Dame and their experience during the weekend, Frank said. Tuitt has since committed to the Irish, calling Brian Kelly with his decision late Wednesday night.

"If I had to guess, I'd say Notre Dame probably leads for [Lyons] right now," Frank said. "More importantly, I think both of their moms are very excited about Notre Dame, and that really is one of the bigger battles you have to face.

Tuitt, ranked as the top strongside defensive end in the country by Yahoo! Sports' rivals.com, joins Aaron Lynch — No. 7 on the rivals.com list — in strengthening an Irish defensive line that has lacked depth in recent years.

The commitments bring the tally for the 2011 recruiting class to 19 commitments. Frank does not expect Notre Dame to take many more, even if National Signing Day is still five months away.

"It'll be interesting to see how many more they'll take after this point," Frank said. "My guess is they probably won't go for more than 22 [commitments] at this point.'

Among the candidates for those final four spots, along with Lyons, is receiver Davaris Daniels, from Vernon Hills, Ill., a Chicago suburb. Daniels has expressed interest in Notre Dame for awhile, but he may still have work to do academically.

Frank said.

"Based off of things that I hear, I think [Daniels] is just a little bit short of where he needs to be academically," Frank said. "If that is the case, I think he could get it and get where he needs to be, and if he does, I really think Notre Dame will get him."

Daniels would fill one of Notre Dame's few holes in this class.

"[Notre Dame] would probably like to get another wide receiver, a safety, either a defensive end or an outside linebacker and then an offensive tackle if they could get one," Frank said.

Among the additional possible targets, Frank listed outside linebackers Ishaq Williams, Ray Drew and Christian French, running back Savon Huggins and offensive linemen Antonio Richardson and Jay Whitmire.

"I would guess anybody on that list, if they wanted to commit, Notre Dame would probably take their commitment at this point," Frank said. "This is certainly a top-10 class in anybody's eyes right now, and they have a good chance to close out with some really strong players."

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I traveled to Ann Arbor to cover the Michigan game last

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Now's the time

Senior running back Armando Allen is working hard to get the most out of his final season

By LAURA MYERS Sports Writer

"You got my hat!" Armando Allen exclaimed as he entered the Loftus Center for a photo shoot with The Observer Tuesday. The senior running back grabbed the small green hat and placed it, at a slight angle, on his head, ready for his close-up.

Allen donned the leprechaun hat in celebration after Notre Dame's win in the Hawaii Bowl on Dec. 26, 2008, and turned it into a post-game ritual in 2009.

"We all laughed, since he's about 5'5" on a good day," said sophomore

Dame so much, for

allowing me to come

here and take part in

something special, so I

a good note."

Armando Allen

wide receiver Theo Riddick, a former part of the running back corps with Allen, who is actually listed at 5-foot-10. "He'd get us all laughing and cracking up. It was a good joke."

But two games into his

senior year, Allen isn't kidding around anymore.

"Some people joke about me being short, the size of a leprechaun," he said. "But I do it in respect to Notre Dame. That's my way to say I respect Notre Dame. I tip my hat to it."

Going to work

That is not to say that Allen hasn't been taking his role at Notre Dame seriously up to now. He was the leading rusher for Notre Dame in 2008 and 2009, with 585 and 697 yards, respectively. His mark of 697 last season came in just eight games, as he missed two games with a sprained ankle and another two with a fracture in his hand.

But Irish head coach Brian Kelly admitted last week that he wasn't sold on Allen coming into the season.

"The way college football is set up we can't have contact with him all summer long, so you have a two-month period where you don't even talk to him much," running backs coach Tim Hinton said. "It takes a little bit to bring out the real personalities when you just don't know each other very well."

Especially with sophomore Cierre Wood coming up quickly behind him, Allen had to prove himself all over again.

"It was just practicing hard every day," Allen said. "That was one of the concerns we had, and I just took it under my initiative to go out there and work hard and give it all I had every day

in practice." The competi-"I know that I owe Notre tion only helped both of them, Allen said.

"That's always posi-tive," Allen said. "When really want to go out on you look at our group, from me to Cierre to

Robert Hughes senior running back to Jonas Gray, we all know that we have a great amount of talent and we all push each other. We use it as motivation. We all know we've got great backs here.'

But through his work ethic, the coaches got to know Allen and made the decision to keep him in the starting spot.

"He really does a good job of understanding and learning, taking notes in the meeting room, and understanding the game plan when he gets on the field," Hinton said. "And he's practiced hard. The young guy has practiced tremendously hard.

'He really has played the game with a passion and physicality and he's done a nice job in practice of doing the same thing," Hinton said. "He's a very consistent performer. He brings his lunch pail with him every day and goes to work.'

Racking up yardage

Through two games, Allen has had a heavy workload. He has run the ball 33 times for 182 yards and a touchdown, has caught two passes for nine yards and has returned two punts for 47 yards.

Allen has shown the same versatility throughout his career. With 104 career receptions, he is just four receptions away from eclipsing Darius Walker's record of 107 career receptions by a running back. Ninth on Notre Dame's career list with 3,638 all-purpose yards, a measure that includes running, receiving and return yardage, Allen needs 312 yards to take over fifth place from 1989 All-American Raghib "Rocket" Ismail, and 1,139 yards to take fourth from 1987 Heisman winner Tim Brown.

"I think it's really just being in the right place at the right time," Allen said. "Gaining that trust from the coaches.³

Hinton said there's only one way for Notre Dame to take advantage of Allen's many abilities.

"Keep giving him the ball," Hinton said. "That would be the best thing we can do is keep giving him the ball, get him in space as much as we can. He's been an elusive guy. He's been making guys miss. We're certainly going to work very, very hard to get as many touches as he can have. And his job is to hang onto the ball and perform every time he gets that opportunity.

"I think he will."

Allen would like to get another opportunity like the one he had in Notre Dame's 2009 win over Michigan State, when he took the snap in the wildcat formation and connected with former Irish receiver Robby Parris for a five-yard touchdown pass.

"I wouldn't mind," he said. "That's definitely something that's always been in the back of my head. I'd like to get a chance to do it."

In fact, Allen has just one feat left to accomplish: a long,





Senior running back Armando Allen runs through an arm tackle in Notre Dame's 28-24 loss to Michigan Saturday.

breakaway run. Though he runs for a dependable average of 4.6 yards per carry, his career long is 29 yards, a mark he set Saturday against Michigan.

"It's always good to have a great breakaway run," he said. 'I think growing up, being a senior, you take everything for what it's worth, but it always felt good.'

That 2010 is his last time through adds a sense of urgency to his season.

"I do feel like I'm running out of time," Allen said. "I know that I owe Notre Dame so much, for allowing me to come here and take part in something special, so I really want to go out on a good note.

Leading by example

Allen's seniority has its upside, though, in an increased leadership role on the team. The coaches selected him to be a captain for Saturday's game against Michigan.

His early struggles to prove himself made the role even more special, Allen said.

DAN JACOBS/The Observe

"I'm a more lead by example type guy," he said. "I started off shaky coming in with the new coaches but right now I understand that I'm here to do whatever I can and just lead by example."

Hinton assessed Allen's leadership in the same way.

"Leadership comes in many styles," Hinton said. "His work ethic and his on-the-field toughness have been the things he's really displayed."

Being a leader is even more vital this week, Allen said, as the team tries to shake off a heartbreaking loss and move on to its first road game.

"I think it's very, very impor-tant," Allen said. "The biggest thing is just to go out there and make sure that everybody has forgotten about last week and is moving on to this week, that we've got a new challenge in front of us.' At this point, Allen is serious about continuing in the same way he has started the season, being an example for his teammates with hard work in practice and performance when it counts. "We've been very pleased with what he's doing," Hinton said. "Obviously his challenge right now is to do it consistently for the next ten weeks. That right now is the biggest challenge that Armando has ahead of him. He can't be self-satisfied. He's got to be hungry to be better tomorrow, the next day and the next day until the season ends."

Senior running back Armando Allen makes a cut Saturday against Michigan. Allen has run for 182 yards and scored a touchdown so far this season.

"It was a great honor to go out there and be a captain and lead this team against Michigan," Allen said. "It says a lot about what I've been doing here and to me it was a great honor to go out there and show that I can do this and I can be in the right place for my teammates."

Despite his penchant for wearing leprechaun hats, Allen is usually not showy, Hinton said.

"He's a quiet, unassuming personality," Hinton said. Some guys are real flashy, with flamboyant personalities. Armando really doesn't come across that way. He's quiet with leadership behind the scenes."

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Record: 1-1 **AP: NR** Coaches: NR



Notre Dame career record: 172-58-2 record at ND: 1-1

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Michigan — L
@ Michigan St.
Stanford
@ Boston College
Pittsburgh
Western Michigan
@ Navy
Tulsa
Utah
Army
@ USC

Head-to-Head

ND OFFENSE Scoring: 23.5 ppg (81st) Total: 446.5 ypg (29th) Rushing: 153.5 ypg (70th) Passing: 293.0 ypg (20th) Turnovers against: 4 (66th) Fumbles lost: 1 (19th) Interceptions: 3 (89th) Sacks Allowed: 3 (16th) T.O.P. for: 25:23 (112th)

Scoring: 15.5 ppg (33rd) Total: 312.0 ypg (47th) Rushing: 65.0 ypg (9th) Passing: 247.0 ypg (90th) Turnovers for: 4 (36th) Fumbles rec.: 3 (13th) Interceptions: 1 (64th) Sacks: 3 (73rd) T.O.P. against: 35:44 (114th)

MSU DEFENSE

Statistical Leaders

ND OFFENSE **OB DAYNE CRIST**

32-51, 482 vds., 3 TD **RB ARMANDO ALLEN** 33 rush, 182 yds., 1 TD WR MICHAEL FLOYD 10 rec., 148 yds., 0 TD WR TJ JONES 6 rec., 114 vds., 2 TD TE KYLE RUDOLPH 13 rec., 207 yds., 1 TD

MSU DEFENSE
LB GREG JONES
7 solo, 20 total, 1 TFL
LB ERIC GORDON
7 solo, 19 total, 1.5 TFL
LB CHRIS NORMAN
5 solo, 13 total
SS MARCUS HYDE
6 solo, 8 total, 1 int.
DL KEVIN PICKELMAN
2 solo, 5 total, 1 int.

Irish Offense vs. Spartans Defense



In barely more than two quarters, Dayne Crist amassed 277 passing yards. While 95 of those may have come on a touchdown to Kyle Rudolph, Crist was going to gain yards on that drive one way or another. Facing an experienced Michigan State secondary on the road, Crist could conceivably have troubles.

But the Spartans have given up 247 passing yards per game against Western Michigan and Florida Atlantic, two teams that do not have anywhere near the same offensive firepower as the Irish do.

Thus, with the array of weapons at his disposal — primarily Michael Floyd, Kyle Rudolph and TJ Jones Crist will find ways to lead the Irish

to find against a Michigan State

defense that has only allowed 65 rush-

ing yards per game. The Spartans

have relied on big athletic linebackers

to limit any rushing attempts, and, led by 6-foot-7 Tyler Hoover and leading

tackler Greg Jones, those linebackers

Yet the Irish pose a new threat to

Michigan State, a much stronger

to touchdowns.

The biggest obstacle to those scores will be Crist avoiding sacks, as the three times he has been sacked this season were results of him holding onto the ball too long, a lesson that he should learn quickly in East Lansing.

EDGE: NOTRE DAME

threat than either Western Michigan

If Allen and Wood can find any hole,

their speed should do the rest. After a

big run or two, Michigan State's

defense will likely tire, only allowing

the Irish running game to further

EDGE: NOTRE DAME

or Florida Atlatic posed.

develop.

In their first two games, as soon as the Irish found success RUSHING running the ball, they seemed to abandon the run for the pass. Nonetheless, they have had success running the ball with Armando Allen and Cierre Wood, and in the first drive against Q Michigan, with Dayne Crist.

That success could be tougher

David Ruffer continues to pleasantly surprise tively. Notre Dame fans, having now converted all nine of his career field goal

attempts. Helping the field position battle, Armando Allen and Cierre Wood have been impressive on



able to contain both Allen and Wood, and one of the two will likely break at least one

have succeeded.

EDGE: NOTRE DAME

It doesn't get any easier for the Irish, who could use a fast start on

Brian Kelly's offense has looked superb when Dayne Crist is leading it. Crist will likely lead it this weekend, barring any surprises.

Thus, Kelly and Crist should not have too much difficulty after they have fought through two tough opponents while the Spartans have rolled through

two guarantee games against Western Michigan and Florida Atlantic. The Irish come into this game ready for Big Ten physi-cality, while the Spartans will need to adjust from the Sun Belt style of play.

EDGE: NOTRE DAME



Big wheels keep on turning, and

punt and kick returns, respec-Michigan State does not look

return into the open field Saturday.



Despite the loss, the Irish showed signs of life against Michigan that





Douglas

Farmer

Sports Editor

despite a loss to Michigan, so will Notre Dame's season.

Presuming Dayne Crist is healthy, and all indications say he is, the Irish shouldn't have a problem scoring on the Spartans. Michigan State will limit Notre Dame's ability to run the ball, but Brian Kelly hasn't relied on the ground game yet, and there is no reason for him to in East Lansing. Kirk Cousins will cause the Irish secondary a few problems, but in the end, the Notre Dame defense will rise to the occasion and show its doubters

what it really can do. FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 24, Michigan State 20 **Matt Gamber**

Sports Writer

the road against a Spartans program that always gives Notre Dame a tough game. The Irish will face a completely different offensive scheme for the third straight week, and they'll need their athletic linebackers and talented, but injury-depleted, safeties to fly to the ball and be ready to stop the power run game. Notre

Dame keeps Dayne Crist upright, Michael Floyd continues to get more involved, and the Irish defense steps up late to prevent Brian Kelly from falling to 1-2.

FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 27, Michigan State 20

Eric Prister

Associate Sports Editor

were absent for much of last season. The offense, when Dayne Crist was on the field, showed definite improvment, scoring on four of six possessions when he was in the game. The passing game looks like it's starting to click, and that doesn't bode well for Michigan State's untested defense.

Granted, the Irish gave up 502 total yards to one player last week, but that one player is exceptional, and the Notre Dame defense matches up better against a pro-style offense.

FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 31, Michigan State 23



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Michigan State

Spartans Record: 2-0

AP: NR **Coaches: NR**

Third season at **Michigan State**



head coach

42-34 record at MSU: 24-17 against ND:

2-1



Don Treadwell

Pat Narduzzi **Def. Coordinator**

2010 Schedule

Sept. 4	Western Michigan — W
Sept. 11	Florida Atlantic — W
Sept. 18	Notre Dame
Sept. 25	Northern Colorado
Oct. 2	Wisconsin
Oct. 9	@ Michigan
Oct. 16	Illinois
Oct. 30	@ Northwestern
Nov. 6	@ Iowa
Nov. 13	Minnesota
Nov. 20	Purdue
Nov. 27	@ Penn State

Head-to-Head

MSU OFFENSE ND DEFENSE Scoring: 34.0 ppg (t-39th) Total: 425.0 ypg (45th) Rushing: 261.0 ypg (11th) Passing: 164.0 (97th) Turnovers against: 4 (t-66th) Fumbles lost: 3 (90th) Interceptions: 1 (33rd) Sacks Allowed: 2 (46th)

Scoring: 20.0 ppg (56th) Total: 427.0 ypg (102nd) Rushing: 195.0 ypg (96th) Passing: 232.0 ypg (76th) Turnovers for: 2 (t-85th) Fumbles rec.: 0 (13th) Interceptions: 3 (89th) Sacks: 4 (42nd) T.O.P. against: 34:37 (114th)

Statistical Leaders

WR MARK DELL 7 rec., 100 yds, WR BI CUNNINGHAM 3 rec., 46 yds., 1 TD

MSU OFFENSE QB KIRK COUSINS 22-38, 328 yds, 2 TD **RB EDWIN BAKER** 32 rush, 300 yds, 3 TD **RB LE'VEON BELL** 20 rush. 190 vds, 3 TD

ND DEFENSE MLB MANTI TE'O 12 solo, 22 total, 1 TFL LB CARLO CALABRESE 10 solo, 19 total. **DL ETHAN JOHNSON** 4 total, 2 sacks **CB GARY GRAY** 13 solo, 14 total **CB DARRIN WALLS**

12 solo, 15 total, 1 INT

Without safety Jamoris Slaughter last week, the Irish coverage lapsed multiple times, including on Michigan's first touchdown, a 31yard pass to a wide open receiver.

In the season-opener against Purdue, with Slaughter sidelined in the second half, similar lapses almost cost Notre Dame dearly, but the Boilermakers could not quite con-

vert.

Slaughter is expected to be back in the lineup this weekend, but only time will tell how his sprained ankle holds up through 60 minutes of chasing Spartan receivers.

If the Irish lapse even once in the secondary, a veteran quarterback like Michigan State's Kirk Cousins will assuredly take advantage of the

mistake. With speedster BJ Cunningham on the outside, **MSN** Cousins will eagerly await any Irish mistake, and while he may not rack up hundreds of passing PASS yards, the few he does compile will be opportunistic and will hurt Notre Dame. ING

EDGE: MICHIGAN ST

Michigan State has two running backs already with three touchdowns apiece. The Spartan offense averages 261 rushing yards per game, 11th in the nation.

Considering the Irish defense has given up an average of 195 rushing yards per game thus far, Michigan State will likely try to keep running the ball down the field.

Notre Dame kicker

David Ruffer has been

impressive on kickoffs,

pinning opposing return-

ers deep in their own ter-

ritory, and punter Ben

Turk has had similar suc-

cess in dropping his punts

If the duo continue with

within the 20-yard line.

The main Notre Dame defenders standing in the Spartans' way will be inside linebackers Manti Te'o and Carlo Calabrese, who have already combined for a total of 41 tackles.

Thus, Michigan State will not likely see much open space up the middle, but, following the path blazed by Michigan's Denard Robinson, if the Spartans head to the outside, Notre

Dame has not yet shown the speed to keep up.

USU Notre Dame's best chance to contain the Spartans will hinge on the play of outside linebackers Darius RUSHI Fleming, Kerry Neal and Brian Smith. All three have only been inconsistent this season.

EDGE: MICHIGAN ST

Brian Kelly and Irish defensive coordiniator Bob Diaco are familiar with Mark Dantonio's offense, as Dantonio preceded Kelly at Cincinnati, but the Spartan offense has taken a turn for the ground game this season. No matter how Diaco alters his 3-4 "gap control"

defense Michigan State, Dantonio will send his power runners straight at the Irish, likely giv-ing both Diaco and Kelly headaches Michigan State, throughout the game.

EDGE: MICHIGAN ST

This game will be a test of Notre

Dame's mental strength and Brian Kelly's motivation skills, as the team has to rebound from its first disappointment at a tough road environment. Kirk Cousins and the Spartans offense have yet to score less than 30 points; Greg Jones and the Spartans defense have yet to give up more than 20.

We say it every week, but this ame will provide the biggest test for Brian Kelly and the Irish thus far. In college football, there's nothing tougher than playing in a nationallytelevised, primetime road game the week after a heartbreaking loss. For whatever reason, though, I can't shake the feeling that the Irish will squeak this one out. Michigan State hasn't played anyone of note yet, while the Irish have two games against quality opponents under their belt. That should translate into an early Notre Dame lead, allowing the Irish to run the ball and get the win. FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 28, Michigan State 20



headaches

career record:



ING against

that accuracy, Michigan State returners will be hard-pressed

to find any running room on returns before freshman Bennett Jackson, already with five special teams tackles, tracks them down.

EDGE: NOTRE DAME



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But the Irish should be the biggest challenge vet for Michigan State. It will be a tight game throughout, but Notre Dame will prove to be a strong team and will build momentum for the tough stretch of games to follow.

FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 34, Michigan State 31

GOLDEN PICK OF THE WEEK featuring Golden Tate

"This will be a very physical game as it is every year! If ND can at least match their physicality, the Irish will come out on top. I see this game being fought to the end. I also think Kelly will find more ways to get the freshman T.J. Jones open. l predict the Irish will take this one 27-24."

27-24 ND

blog on Saturday, check out the irish-football/irish-insider







If you could play a road game in any stadium, where would you play? I'd say Florida. I heard it's pretty loud, always nice weather down there. Can't go wrong.

You're from New Jersey. Do you like Jersey Shore? Not at all. Not a fan.

Do you think they represent your state badly?

You're just looking at one person's life. You can't look at one person's life and summarize New Jersey. Those are Guidos. I'm not familiar with those.

Are there any reality shows you do watch? "The Kardashians." Because Kim's on there. That's why.

What was your favorite adventure of Kim's? Hmm ... (pause) I can't say. (pause) No comment.

Jones leads strong Spartan linebacking corps

By SAM WERNER Sports Writer

Prior to the start of the season, Michigan State coach Mark Dantonio said his linebackers would be the strength of the Spartans defense. With senior linebacker Greg Jones leading the way, it's easy to see why.

For his part, Jones said he was up to Dantonio's task.

"I feel that's a pretty big statement," he said. "It takes a whole defense to win games, not just linebackers ... I'm very humbled by that, being one of the leaders on the linebacking corps, but I feel like we do have a lot of guys that can step up and lead."

Jones will undoubtedly be one of those leaders. He lready ranks sixth 0.0 Michigan State's all-time an hour and wins with effort. tackle list with 379, and he has racked up 20 in two games so far this season. Jones was also named to the preseason watch list for Walter the

Camp Player

of the Year

Award. the

Butkus Award

(top collegiate

linebacker),

the Lombardi

Award (college

lineman of the

Award (defensive player of the year) and the Lott Trophy (defensive impact player of the year).

While that impressive honor roll may lead some players to believe that they can do it all themselves, Jones is quick to deflect praise to his teammates.

"I have guys to help me out, like [linebackers] Eric Gordon and Chris Norman," Jones said. "I'll try and do what I can do, but ultimately, I have to step up if my name is called.

Dantonio said he wasn't surprised by Jones' growth, both on the field and in the locker room.

"Greg Jones has developed into not just a great playmaker, but a leader for us,' told Dantonio msuspartans.com. "He does everything a hundred miles



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Greg Jones Spartans linebacker

American. year), the Bronko Nagurski Notre Dame has shown flash-Trophy (nation's best defenes of success rushing the ball sive player), the Bednarik this season, averaging 153.5

Whether it's winter the conditioning program, studying film or practice on a spring day, he's going to give everything he's got - it's important to him." Irish coach Brian Kelly knows his offense has a tough task facing the consensus All-

Senior linebacker Greg Jones leads the Spartans in tackles so far this season, with 20. Jones was a consensus first-team All American last season.

yards per game on the ground. The Spartan defense, led by Jones, will be tasked with slowing down that running attack.

"Obviously, defensively Jones, rightly so, is one of the best linebackers in the country," Kelly said in his press conference Tuesday. "Very physical up front. Experienced at the linebacker position."

Just because the Spartans

have a player of Jones' caliber on defense doesn't mean the Irish will alter their game plan significantly. Offensive coordinator Charley Molnar said while the Irish will be aware of Jones' presence, they will still run their offense.

"They have 10 other football players out there also, so we can't just put all our focus on Greg Jones," Molnar said. "We know who he is, we

know his number, we know where he lines up. After that, every play that we run we have somebody that's supposed to block him. Sometimes it's a center, sometimes it's a guard, sometimes it's a running back, and at the end of the day we expect our guys to get the job done.'

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Freshman Jones finding his place in Irish offense

By SAM WERNER Sports Writer

Before the season started, smart money would have been on either junior wide receiver Michael Floyd or junior tight end Kyle Rudolph to lead the Irish in touchdown catches after two games.

Instead, it's freshman wide receiver TJ Jones leading the way with a pair of scoring grabs.

In fact, Jones even made some history in the process, becoming the first Irish freshman receiver to score a touchdown in each of his first two collegiate games.

"I thought with all the great receivers we've had here that someone's done it," Jones said. "Finding out that I'm the first is a great feeling and a great motivator."

In his first game in an Irish uniform, Jones caught three passes against Purdue, including a 5-yard touchdown reception to put the Irish up 20-3. Last week against Michigan, Jones grabbed three passes for 73 yards. His final catch of the game was a 53-yard scoring bomb on Notre Dame's third offensive play of the second half that swung momentum back in the Irish favor.

The freshman may have gotten a little too excited, though, as replays showed that Jones appeared to flip the ball out of his hand before he crossed the goal line. The officials didn't notice, and Notre Dame was able to kick the extra point before the play could be reviewed.

"All three of the coaches addressed me — [head] coach [Brian] Kelly, [offensive coordinator Charley] Molnar, [wide receivers] coach [Tony] Alford — and let me know that I got away with one," Jones said. "But if it happens again I'm going to have some big problems and that it better not happen again."

While the coaches may have let him off with a warning this time, Jones said the message got home loud and clear.

"I guess you could say they let me off, not easy, but I didn't get as harsh a punishment as I thought I would for dropping the ball before I scored, and that's definitely something that I'll make sure to never do again," he said.

Jones also got some advice from his father, former Irish defensive lineman Andre Jones, who played for Notre Dame from 1987-91. Jones said his father told him to "just hand the ball to the ref" the next time he scored.

Jones said that he and his father talk regularly, and that on the Thursday or Friday before the game, they talk about what he can expect from that week's game.

"[He tells me] kind of what to expect, since he's been there before," Jones said. "Kind of the atmosphere that I'm walking into and how to not psych myself in and out of the game and how to not let certain things that I'm not used to in high school affect me before the game in college."

Saturday will definitely be a new experience for Jones, who will be making his first collegiate appearance away from Notre Dame Stadium, as well as playing in his first night game at the college level. Jones said he thinks he's up for the challenge, though.



Freshman receiver TJ Jones snags a pass in Notre Dame's opening week win over Purdue Sept. 4. Jones has made an instant impact this season, catching six passes for 114 yards and two scores.

"Playing every game in high school at night was a great feeling," he said. "And playing my first collegiate game at night, I'm sure it's going to be a great feeling, a great atmosphere."

Alford added that it's all a matter of how Jones prepares himself for the new environment.

"I don't care if we're playing in our stadium or anyone else's stadium," Alford said. "Just put your pads on and go play. I'm not real into where I play. If you like to play ball, go play in the parking lot. I don't care."

While Jones has had success so far, he recognizes that this is where the hard part starts.

"As time goes on and maybe I catch a couple more balls, teams will start to notice me more, which means I'm going to have to work that much harder to beat double coverage or find holes in the defense," he said.

Usually, the one aspect of the game that young wide receivers need to improve the most is their blocking ability. While Jones certainly has room to mature, he did issue some thunderous blocks on unsuspecting Wolverine players last Saturday.

"It's a great feeling," Jones said. "I

was a defensive player as well in high school, so I like cracking people when I get the chance."

While Alford was impressed with Jones' ability to provide a big hit, he issued a challenge to the freshman.

"There were some broken plays where he was peeling back on guys, and it just goes to show that he's got some toughness about him and he doesn't mind throwing his body around," Alford said. "I'd like to see him hit some guys like that when they see him coming."

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