

## Petition opposes suit against HHS mandate

*Students, faculty and staff submit letter challenging federal lawsuit filed by the University*

By **SAM STRYKER**  
Assistant Managing Editor

Several months after the University filed a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) mandate requiring religious organizations to provide contraceptive services as part of their minimum health insurance packages, the government is moving to have the case dismissed — and some Notre Dame students, staff and

faculty are voicing a similar opinion.

Over summer break, students began circulating a petition opposing the University's religious liberty lawsuit. The letter originated as a personal letter written by graduate student Kathryn Pogin.

More than 170 students, faculty and staff have signed the letter as of Aug. 23. Pogin said the letter was recently submitted to Faculty Senate to garner additional signatures. Jenkins responded July 27 with his own

letter, according to Brown.

The petition states though the University may believe it "will advance its Catholic mission" with the lawsuit, the signees believe "the philosophical and legal arguments strongly favor compliance with the law."

"Further, we believe Notre Dame would better serve its Catholic mission by focusing on improving campus services for families rather than embroiling itself in a legal challenge," the letter states.

In an Aug. 2 interview with

The Observer, Pogin said the petition focuses on two additional issues with the lawsuit. In the case, the University argues the federal mandate is irreconcilable with the First Amendment, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act and other laws protecting religious freedom.

"First of all, it's not clear to us that the University couldn't comply with the mandate without remaining within Catholic practice," she said. "In addition, even if there is a

genuine conflict with freedom of religion, which we're not convinced there is, at least with respect to contraceptives, we think the legal argument favors compliance with the mandate."

The mandate is part of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, President Barack Obama's healthcare reform legislation, passed in 2010.

The lawsuit, filed by the University in the U.S. District Court for the Northern

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## Race hastens as November approaches

*Paul Ryan added to Republican ticket*

By **JOHN CAMERON**  
News Editor

After much speculation, presidential hopeful Mitt Romney selected Rep. Paul Ryan, R-Wisc., to join his bid for the White House as his running mate. Differing opinions are emerging as to whether the addition to the GOP ticket will bolster or weaken public favor.

Journalism professor Jack Colwell said the Ryan pick was made with the intention of reinvigorating the conservative base.

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*Debate surrounds economics and social issues*

By **NICOLE MICHELS**  
News Writer

As the new school year begins and the weather cools, the presidential race is just beginning to heat up.

Months of contentious debate have highlighted the economy as the issue of greatest concern to the electorate. Americans are considering whether President Barack Obama's progress on reviving the U.S. economy warrants reelection, or if it's time

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## B1 lineup gets mixed reviews

By **KRISTEN DURBIN**  
News Editor

The first official weekend of the school year is just around the corner, and Saturday's B1 Block Party will once again kick off the semester with an outdoor concert and festivities.

Presented by Legends of Notre Dame, this year's edition of the party will feature rock group

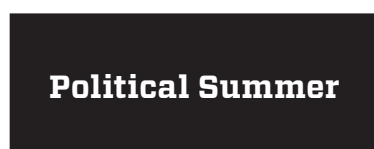
Boys Like Girls as its headliner, with electronic-pop duo Breathe Carolina opening the evening alongside several Notre Dame student bands.

In addition to musical entertainment, the B1 Block Party boasts a rock wall, corn hole and a Euro Bungee trampoline, according to the Legends website.

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Sophomore  
Ryan

"To not procrastinate."



## John Hrabrick

Junior  
O'Neill

"Study like a champion."



## Lauren Fessler

Junior  
Pangborn

"Go to the bathroom in every dorm."



## Liz Garvin

Junior  
Welsh Family

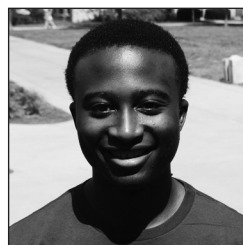
"Do less."



## Maria Kosse

Junior  
Pangborn

"Make new friends because all of mine are abroad."



## Princely Muro

Junior  
Morrissey

"Attend every football game."



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## Friday

### Family Swim Assessment

Rockne Memorial  
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Water activities at the pool.

### Hamlet

DPAC  
7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  
Last production in the week-long Shakespeare Festival.

## Saturday

### Biathlon

Boat House  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
RecSports biathlon at St. Joe's Lake.

### Men's Soccer

Alumni Stadium  
7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  
ND vs. Duke

## Sunday

### Women's Soccer

Alumni Stadium  
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.  
ND vs. East Carolina

### Moderni-TEA

Snite Museum  
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.  
Sip tea and converse about modern art.

## Monday

### Cassat and Beyond

Snite Museum  
Ends October 7  
Exhibit highlighting modern artists.

### Swim Lesson Registration

Rockne Memorial  
Closes September 7  
Swim lessons for all ages.

## Tuesday

### Last day for all class changes

Campus-wide  
All day  
End of registration.

### Activities Night

Joyce Center  
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
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# SAO offers free events

By ANN MARIE JAKUBOWSKI  
News Writer

Notre Dame students like to have fun. Tonight, they get the chance to prove it — for free.

An evening of campus-wide frivolity and entertainment, Irishenanigans will take place beginning at 8 p.m. The Student Activities Office (SAO) organized the event, coordinating a variety of unusual entertainment opportunities to encourage students to explore campus and interact with peers.

David Mattingly, program associate for SAO, said a wide range of events is to take place on campus, mostly between LaFortune Student Center and Stepan Center. All of the activities are free to students.

"We have a comedy troupe coming from New York to perform at Washington Hall at 9 p.m., and Stepan Center will have an event [inspired by NBC's]

American Gladiators, complete with Nerf guns and inflatable obstacles," Mattingly said. "Expect glow-in-the-dark laser tag at Stepan too, with a fire-juggling show at 10:30 p.m."

Free food is also part of the festivities. Mattingly said a cupcake truck parked near North Quad will hand out 1,200 gourmet cupcakes, with a smoothie distribution stationed nearby. A trivia game in The Huddle at midnight will offer "quarter dogs" as prizes, and elephant ears will be available near Stepan Center.

Mattingly hopes the events will draw out both new and returning students to get better acquainted with campus and each other.

"We want students to go to Washington Hall, and then to Stepan and then LaFortune," Mattingly said. "We want them to understand that campus is fun, and that it's exciting to be coming back here for the year."

In planning the event,

Mattingly said SAO tried to orchestrate something that would appeal to everyone, so his office organized a vast array events and activities. Students looking for a workout can try their hands at Blitz Ball and Laser Tag in Stepan Center, or at the hourly games of Capture the Flag on the RecSports fields. Students seeking a more relaxing time can listen to live music played by the pop/rock band South Jordan, or catch a game of glow-in-the-dark corn hole.

Mattingly said he hoped the variety of activities will draw a variety of students who might not typically interact.

"The event is really just a social tool, a way to meet people," Mattingly said. "You can do the cool exciting stuff or the more relaxing activities. There's something for everyone."

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## Concert

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Students of legal drinking age can enjoy a cold brew in the Legends beer garden, as well.

Past incarnations of the event featured musical groups like Girl Talk, Guster, Matisyahu and Eric Hutchinson, but reception for this year's lineup has been mixed among students.

Freshman Tony Maley said the bands chosen disappointed him, but plans to still attend with friends to enjoy music he has not heard since middle school.

"They had a couple hits, a few songs, and they haven't really been relevant since,"

Maley said. "It will be fun to hear some songs that were cool back in eighth grade, but the picks weren't great, I'd say."

Junior Elizabeth Owers said

she didn't think this year's musical lineup was worth the \$10 entrance fee.

"I went to the concert the past two years, and I had a good time because I went with my friends and it was fun because of the atmosphere," she said. "But I prefer to do something else on Saturday night, and I don't want to pay \$10... to see a band I'm not a huge fan of."

Junior Anna Carmack said she doesn't plan on attending, based on the level of student excitement for the show.

"I didn't really know Girl Talk that well either, but I'd heard of them," she said. "I went to Girl Talk last year because friends were going and people were excited, but I haven't really heard that much excitement about Boys Like Girls."

Although other students were unenthused about the selection of Boys Like Girls, sophomore Laura Gardner said the lack of space at

last year's event was a bigger deal breaker for her decision not to attend this year's Block Party.

"It's like millions of dancing jellybeans inside a taco shell," Gardner said.

Sophomore Joe Corsaro said his disappointing time at last year's Block Party would discourage him from attending again this weekend.

"I would rather sit through College 'HAS' Issues another time than go to the Block

Party again," Corsaro said.

Junior Marye Colleen Larme said she still plans to attend the event.

"I never miss an opportunity to go to a concert," she said.

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# Director advocates service-learning

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The more than 400 first years settling into campus aren't the only fresh faces at Saint Mary's this fall. Erika Buhring has taken up post as the new director for the Office for Civic and Social Engagement (OCSE) and Experiential Learning Coordinator at the College.

Buhring said her background attracted her to Saint Mary's



Erika Buhring  
Director for the Office  
for Civic and Social  
Engagement

unique identity.

"I'm a big believer in the private, liberal arts education," she said. "I've lived in it, worked in it and I have a lot of respect for Saint Mary's. I'm intrigued by the spirit of Saint Mary's in that it is a women's college."

Buhring, who graduated from Grinnell College in Iowa with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology, has years of experience with non-profit groups and various education organizations.

She received her Master of Education and Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of Illinois at Chicago before becoming an assistant professor at Concordia University Chicago. Prior to joining the faculty at Saint Mary's, Buhring served as an assistant professor in the Educational Studies Department at Monmouth College in Illinois.

Buhring said her experiences

in the academic world will serve her well in her new position at the College.

"I'm eager to learn what has been done before, but I'm also looking forward to creating new opportunities as we move forward," she said. "My role is split between on- and off-campus work, and I find that very appealing."

Buhring's role with the OCSE will focus especially on student-community relations. She said 70 percent of her work is with the Division of Mission, which involves various learning and volunteering opportunities.

"I'm most looking forward to working with all of the students and getting them excited about working and learning about the community," Buhring said.

The remainder of Buhring's role consists of working alongside and supporting the College's faculty and staff, she said.

"I am really excited to get to work with the faculty and all of

***"I'm most looking forward to working with all of the students and getting them excited about working and learning about the community."***

Erika Buhring  
Director for the Office for  
Civic and Social Engagement

their creativity," she said. "I want to get people excited about integrated learning opportunities."

Buhring said she hopes the students and faculty who work with the OCSE will value the importance of volunteering in the community. She wants there to be a reciprocal relationship between the volunteers and the community, grounded in mutual support and collaborative learning, a relationship she believes will benefit students in the long term.

"One of the biggest pushes I make is with students and getting them to have a connection between what they're doing now, and how this work affects what they're doing in the future," she said.

Buhring said the service and learning opportunities arranged by the office are intended to provide rich benefits to the volunteers, regardless of the type of work or group served.

"I really like the idea of fostering the spirit of life-long learning," she said. "Your work is not just for a grade. It is much bigger than that."

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# Ryan

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“I think [the selection] helped initially by energizing the base, especially the very conservative and Tea Party voters, who were suspicious of Romney, and thought that maybe he was a moderate,” Colwell said. “[Romney] wanted to have the campaign focus on economic issues ... he thought Ryan was kind of the ‘fiscal guy,’ chairman of the House Budget Committee.”

Colwell said voter participation is likely to be the determining factor in the race.

“That’s the key,” he said. “The country is pretty well split down the middle. Whichever side gets their voters to the polls could decide it.”

Although the GOP ticket with Ryan stands to make gains from the right, Colwell said Ryan’s past stands on social programs and economic issues may hurt Romney’s prospects with senior citizens.

“You have Medicare in the budget that [Ryan] initially passed through the House,” he said. “His proposal to have a voucher

system is having real problems, especially in Florida.”

Women, Colwell said, will be hesitant to vote for a ticket with the ardently pro-life candidate attached.

“The big problem is that it’s not helping with women, and there’s already a big gender gap, with women, by a sizable margin, for [President Barack] Obama,” he said.

Colwell said the media’s associating Ryan with recent comments made by Rep. Todd Akin, R-Miss., regarding abortion in the case of rape has created an additional challenge with the women’s vote. Ryan previous co-sponsored a bill with Akin that included an exception on prohibiting government funding of abortion in the case of “forceable” rape, Colwell said.

“The worst thing is Todd Akin’s [comments],” he said. “That’s something that Romney couldn’t have envisioned. It brought up the whole abortion issue.”

Sophomore Patrick Butler, director of political affairs for Notre Dame’s College Republicans, said he expects the debate to refocus on the economic issues, where

the Ryan pick is bound to make a strong statement.

“They want to make a very bold contrast between the current administration and how Romney will handle things,” Butler said. “It’s a very bold statement about the economy and Medicare.”

Butler admitted Ryan’s tight fiscal policies are unlikely to win over many seniors, but said they may attract younger Americans concerned with the deficit.

“It might help among students like us. This is our future. We kind of have to worry about [the deficit]. I’d say it really depends on how much of Ryan’s plan Romney endorses.”

College Democrats president Camille Suarez said Ryan’s policies could isolate an even larger portion of the populace.

“I think the Ryan pick is definitely going to lose the lower-middle class,” she said. “If you look at his budget plan, it’s going to make taxes go up for Middle America.”

Suarez said his very conservative views might have more impact on the campaign process than simply winning or losing votes.

# Election

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for Republican challenger Mitt Romney to try his hand.

Political science professor Peri Arnold said most of the national polls indicate the race is extremely close, with Obama ahead by narrow margins.

“A compilation of national polls show that Obama’s running about a percent ahead ... That’s tight,” Arnold said. “When you look at the key swing states, Obama is leading in most of those by a very small percent.”

However, American Studies professor Jack Colwell said these projections leave plenty of opportunity for Romney to gain favor before Election Day on November 6.

“The economy is still the biggest problem for the president, and if some figures come out before the election that show the economy worsening, that could swing some voters,” Colwell said. “The president has to convince people that yes, he can turn around the economy.”

Arnold said the lack of marked improvement in the economy is an obvious target issue for the Republican Party. Romney’s campaign, however, has failed to fully exploit this weakness.

“Presidents with that kind of economy don’t generally get reelected,” Arnold said. “The Romney campaign keeps getting bogged down in other matters, and when that happens, the economy as an issue seems to fade into the background.”

Colwellsaidtheseothermatters revolve around the Republican’s struggle to retain appeal in light of the actions and words of some of the Party’s members.

“Mitt Romney’s big problem is the Republican brand,” Colwell said. “Some of the things happening this week like, [Rep.]

Todd Akin’s [R-Miss.] speech in Missouri have made it clear that people are really down on both parties, they’re more down on the Republican party.”

After picking Ryan as his running mate, Romney’s connection to more conservative Republicans has been strengthened and the gender gap has widened, Colwell said.

“People keep talking about the fact that Ryan and Akin sponsored a bill that defined categories of rape and what ‘legitimate’ rape is,” he said. “There was a huge gender gap already, but this accentuates that gap.”

Arnold said Ryan’s politics remain on the periphery of what many Americans believe.

“I think that initially, the Ryan pick was a good pick,” Arnold said. “Romney has not proven to be a good campaign performer, but now he seems energized. The problem is that Ryan is extremely conservative and that the details of the Ryan budget include lots of things the Americans don’t like.”

Colwell said Romney’s overseas trip earlier this month hurt his image in the eyes of the voters.

“He had a number of stumbles there,” Colwell said. “That won’t decide the election, but that was just another one of those things that caused people to say ‘Oh, wait a minute, do we want this guy as president?’”

Arnold said this trip reflected Romney’s unease at being in the spotlight.

“One of Romney’s greatest problems is that he’s not an easy public speaker,” Arnold said. “He’s afraid to reveal himself, and gets caught up in these malapropisms and saying the wrong things.”

Competing with Obama’s likeability and oratorical skill are two of the hurdles in Romney’s road to the presidency, Colwell said.

“People seem still to like

Obama personally,” Colwell said. “They think he’s a decent person and a good family man trying to do the best that he can. “[Voters might] trust him more.”

Colwell said the Republican political action committees (PACs) are able to outspend the Democrat backers, giving the GOP greater resources to reach voters with.

“The Super-PACs with their negative attack ads, they’ll be able to spend more and dent Obama’s likeability,” Colwell said. “They will bring up things, especially on the economy that will portray him as being too far to the left.”

Political science professor Vincent Munoz said another potential roadblock for Obama is a perceived assault on religious liberty by the Obama administration.

“He’s not been very accommodating to the concerns that Catholics and other religious groups have [expressed] about religious liberty.”

Munoz said though many Catholics have voted for Democrats because of their perceived support of social justice initiatives, this might not remain the case on Election Day.

“The question is, do people who voted for Obama in 2008 feel so burdened by the administration that they might switch their vote?” Munoz said.

Munoz said he is interested to see how young voters act on Election Day.

“I think the growing question in our politics is whether the huge debt that we’ve been accumulating is unjust to younger generations,” Munoz said. “I asked my classes this afternoon, ‘Are any of you going to get Social Security?’ and not a single hand went up. This is morally problematic.”

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# HHS

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District of Indiana on May 21, names HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, Labor Secretary Hilda Solid, Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner and their respective departments as defendants, according to court documents.

In an email to The Observer, University spokesman Dennis Brown said the case has been assigned. With the government moving to have the case dismissed, he said Notre Dame would respond in early September.

“All of this is standard procedure,” he said.

Notre Dame Law School professor Rick Garnett said his impression is the University is ultimately looking to “vindicate” its religious freedom rights in filing the lawsuit.

Garnett said it is “noteworthy” Notre Dame challenged the mandate because the University does not oppose the overarching goals of the Affordable Care Act.

“It would be highly implausible for anyone to suggest that the University is a ‘partisan’ actor, or is seeking to embarrass the President or the Obama administration,” he said.

“That the University of Notre Dame, which has worked to maintain respectful dialogue with the President and the administration, was put in the position of having to bring a lawsuit in order to protect its religious-freedom rights almost certainly captured many citizens’ attention,” he said.

Garnett said the University’s complaint presents nine different causes of action, some challenging the mandate on technical grounds, while others focus on “defects” in the process of forming the mandate. Others highlight inconsistencies with the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

“And, in Count 1, the University

Suarez said her club is now more driven to keep the administration in office and prevent Ryan’s policies from being implemented.

“I think we’re going to focus more on the national election now he’s been nominated,” she said. “Even the [U.S. Conference of Catholic] Bishops spoke out against [Ryan’s economic plan] which raises a red flag ... We need to do all we can to make sure he’s not in office.”

Though Colwell said he believes Ryan is a good strategic choice for Romney, his viability as a running mate won’t be clear until November.

“I thought he was a good choice, and ultimately, if Romney goes on to win, it will be analyzed as a good choice,” he said. “The jury’s out on this, the focus for weeks now is on these social issue and on what ‘legitimate rape’ is and things like that, that will just kill the Republican ticket ... They’ll certainly try to avoid that, and possibly, they can get the focus on the economy.”

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contends that the mandate violates the federal Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA), which provides — in layperson’s terms — that the federal government has to show that burdens it imposes on religious exercise are necessary in order to accomplish a ‘compelling governmental interest,’” he said.

“Put differently, the Act provides that the government should, to the extent possible, find ways to accommodate religious believers, even when it is legislating to achieve important goals.”

Garnett said he believes Notre Dame’s case is strong. Focusing on the RFRA portion of the case, he said the mandate saddles the University with a responsibility that contradicts its “religiously-motivated aspiration” to be a preeminent Catholic research university.

“And, the burden is unnecessary, because it would be possible for the government to achieve its goal of expanding insurance coverage for ‘preventive services’ while accommodating religious institutions like the University,” he said.

There is no specific timeline for the case, Garnett said, and similar cases are pending across the country in different stages.

“In theory, the case could go all the way to the Supreme Court,” he said. “It could also, however, end much earlier in the process, depending on whether or not the administration revises the rule, or on the outcome of the November election.

Garnett said it is standard procedure for the University to have named Sebelius, Solid and Geithner as defendants in the lawsuit because it is naming them in their official capacities, not as private citizens.

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## INSIDE COLUMN

## Reverse culture shock



**Anna Boarini**  
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When I was getting ready to go to Nepal, I tried to prepare myself for living in a culture very different from my own. I read about the culture and talked to anyone and everyone I could who had been to Nepal before. I was ready to deal with culture shock. What I wasn't prepared for was the culture shock I would experience when I got home.

I got off the plane at O'Hare and made it through customs smoothly. Everything was going fine. And then I had to talk to someone. Hearing English being spoken freaked me out. My first language is English, and it's not like I never heard it in Nepal, but I was so used to the sound of Nepali that hearing English was weird. Then, I noticed just how many white people there were. No joke, when I saw all the blondes with blue eyes, I got nervous. I didn't know how to act. I didn't understand why everyone around me looked like I did.

The worst though was going through security. On a normal day, security at O'Hare can make even the most hardened traveler nervous. Well, I was not at my best when I walked into that security line. I was tired from traveling for two days. I was jetlagged out of my mind. I still had a tika (a red mark, made from powder that is a blessing) on my forehead. And I was dressed like a total bohemian hippie, complete with purple MC Hammer parachute pants, looking the part of the traveler returning from South Asia.

Just being in line for security was so overwhelming, I started to cry. I already looked like a crazy person from what I was wearing, and the tears did not make it any better. The TSA agents probably thought I was some sort of criminal.

Once I made it through security, I barely caught my connecting plane. I didn't leave my culture shock in Chicago; it has followed me to Indianapolis and South Bend.

Hot water still freaks me out. Air conditioning makes me so cold, that my lips actually turned blue in class. I think chicken tastes bad, and cheese is a super-weird food.

Now, there are definite perks for being back in the U.S. I can get Diet Coke whenever I want. The power doesn't just go off for any reason. I can do laundry in a washing machine and not by hand in my shower. I was ready to come home at the end of the summer. But I had no idea how weird the U.S. would seem.

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## Political summer

**Gary J. Caruso**  
Capitol Comments

Wow, what a summer!

The advent of each school year ushers in that mundane question, "How was your summer?" Short of the June landmark Supreme Court decision upholding the Affordable Care Act, a.k.a., Obamacare, many from the Notre Dame community experienced a similarly momentous summer. This year's warm weather brought cheers, jeers and lucrative payouts to some alumni, providence and misfortune to others, arrests and unveilings within the football program along with legal wrangling from the administration. Summer was characterized by a collective "wow" factor typically unfelt by so many Domers during one season.

Campus administrators bookended their "offseason" by first, filing a religious freedom law suit over healthcare coverage mandates against the federal government the day after graduation. While the University chose for financial reasons to self-insure its healthcare recipients — purely a secular business model decision — somehow administrators want to claim a moral religious freedom objection against providing contraception for non-Catholic and non-Christian employees. What was that adage about giving to Caesar what is Caesar's while holding up Roman coins?

In mid- to late-summer, Fighting Irish quarterback Tommy Rees and linebacker Carlo Calabrese faced consequences from a skirmish with local law enforcement officials. Both were suspended from the opening game in Dublin. But as part of youth, every college-aged person makes unwise decisions, unfortunately more times than not as part of maturing. I personally was no stranger to stupidity at college. Hopefully they learned a valuable, but painful lesson. Does anyone believe that learning how to make better choices now can translate onto the field of play?

Earlier this month, athletic

administrators unveiled their new football uniform design. Their chaotically cluttered, visually amateurish football uniform design was reminiscent of any high school. Talk about tarnishing the classic Notre Dame football brand. Notre Dame now rivals the University of Maryland for wearing the silliest split-colored helmet design of sparkling gold popcorn on one side, with a menacing fighting leprechaun insignia reminiscent of a Cirque du Soleil painted clown on the other. May this writer suggest that the athletic department sponsor a campus contest to redesign your football mess by maintaining some classic uniform elements, while possibly concentrating on the jerseys and pants, not the helmets?

Several alumni have experienced interesting summers as well. On the lighter side, semi-retired Regis Philbin ('53) continued to wander through TD Bank commercials saying silly things while laughing about an increase to his personal bank account. Politically, Republican Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell ('76) noted that he was honored to be on the GOP Vice Presidential short list. However, earlier this year, Virginia Democrats bestowed upon him the title "Governor Ultrasound" after he supported legislation mandating that any woman considering abortion must submit to a trans-vaginal ultrasound, even against her will or against her doctor's advice. After an uproar, the GOP legislature amended the bill to require an external ultrasound, that as McDonnell's signing statements notes, "can help the mother make a fully informed decision" about having an abortion and "some type of requirement that a woman be offered a view of an ultrasound before an abortion can be performed." Shall we call this a neutral summer for McDonnell?

My good personal friend, California GOP U.S. Representative Dan Lungren ('68) — truly the first person I think of when I tell others that some of my best friends are Republicans — has fought a more difficult summer. This month, during two town hall events, protesters challenged Lungren by

calling him too extreme for office, a warrior against women and unfit for Congress. One protester called for citizens to hold Lungren accountable for his "stoned-aged views" noting his denial of science in favor of oil and gas lobby interests. Could enough Fred Flintstones live and vote in Lungren's district this year to save my good friend's election?

Closer to campus, political happenstance affects the Second Congressional District. Paradoxically, our sitting Double Domer, Democratic Congressman Joe Donnelly ('77, '81 JD), who beat former GOP Congressman Chris Chocola in 2006, can now thank Chocola for the opportunity to win the Indiana U.S. Senate seat in November. Chocola is president of The Club for Growth, an organization whose mission "promotes essential American policies through Pro-Growth policies and economic freedom." The organization affected the GOP primary by successfully toppling incumbent U.S. Senator Richard Lugar — apparently by unmasking the Rhodes Scholar's anti-growth and economic enslavement bent. May we call this the "Luck of the Irish" for Donnelly?

In Washington this summer, the political parties and presidential campaigns geared for their run-up to November. In softball, the RNC beat the DNC in the last inning. The congressional Democrats whipped the GOP 18-5 in baseball. The congressional women lost their softball game by a couple runs to the women's media team. Take what trends you like from these results.

So, how was your summer?

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## EDITORIAL CARTOON



## QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Of all God's creatures there is only one that cannot be made the slave of the lash. That one is the cat. If man could be crossed with cat it would improve man, but it would deteriorate the cat."

**Mark Twain**  
American author and humorist

## WEEKLY POLL

Why did you decide to come to Notre Dame?

- **For the academics** - 53 percent
- **For the athletics** - 15 percent
- **For the weather** - 15 percent
- **For the dining hall fare** - 17 percent

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# On experiencing books outdoors

**Margaret Emma Brandl**  
Guest Columnist

For one Saturday in summer, I read a book in a tree at my grandmother’s house. I was never one for climbing trees, unless the sap-sticky scratchy pines beside the tiny church ever counted. Barely bushes, they were long bending branches with so many pieces sticking out that my Sunday School compatriots and I would clamor into the hall minutes before Mass, scraped and sticky, with pine needles mixed with beads of blood (from the roughness of the bark) ruining our clean church clothes.

Knowing I was afraid of heights without having ever really experienced heights in actuality, I never had the guts to climb a real tree. I knew the stories about Uncle Carl, my mother’s youngest brother, who had been an expert at climbing trees, but less well-versed in the process of getting down from them. Aware, then, that going up a tree also meant getting down from it, I decided against such explorations.

The day came, however, that (if I remember right) this tree growing into the

side of the fence would be trimmed or otherwise cut down, and as my mother and I examined it reverently, she suggested I sit in it. The notch in which one could sit was not very high up — over my head, but I was small. With some boosting from her or my father, I forget exactly, I found myself settled in the notch between two branches. The sun was shining brightly and the sky was blue and somewhere I could hear a lawn mower (always in Shreveport I could hear a lawn mower). The bark was warm in the sun. Once I was up, I requested my book which my mother had to retrieve. What I was even reading I forget, as I remember paying little attention to it — perhaps a volume collected from Grammy’s dusty library shelf. I was more interested in the treeness, of the experience of being-in-tree.

I recall that, on the whole, the adventure was short-lived. I realized the tree was not exactly comfortable, that the shapes of the branches formed a seat but not a nice one, that I was tired of reading the book I wasn’t really reading and that I would like to do something else like try on dresses in the closet or pick out songs on the piano or find whatever chocolate/ice cream/cookies there were to be

found in the house. I demanded to be retrieved and hoisted myself out of that space, where I must have been caught by Daddy or Mom.

When I discovered books on tape were sometimes read by the author, I decided that I wanted to hear Madeleine L’Engle read me “A Wrinkle in Time.” On first picking up the book, I discovered the protagonist was named Meg, which was all I needed to be interested. In the space of a few pages, I was transported into this great science-fiction-fantasy space in which God was still present and in which there was a space for my Christianity in this brave and beautiful world.

From the children’s room of the public library I retrieved the tapes I wanted — “A Wrinkle in Time;” later, “A Wind in the Door,” though I would fall asleep listening to that one. With my trusty beige and brown tape player/recorder I set up camp on the swingset, placing the thing on the wooden platform by the slide. I was swinging, climbing, hanging upside-down from the metal bar and twisting my hands in the rings as Madeleine L’Engle, grandmotherly, taught me how to properly pronounce things like the name of the Murrays’

dog (Fortinbras) and what it meant that Mrs. Which talked LLLIIIIKKKKEEEEEE THHHHHIIIISSSSSSS (it was an echo). Caught there between the swings of my swingset and, later, sprawled on a blanket in the open grass as the sun disappeared, I began to feel an autumn chill. I saw myself in some windy New England town, where a little farmy piece of land with landmarks like “the star-watching rock” produced Margaret, Sandy, Denys, and Charles Wallace Murray, and Calvin O’Keefe. With Mrs. L’Engle’s calming voice to carry me I rediscovered my backyard. I saw the brick colors of the back patio, the flat roof of the sunroom, the climbing plants that clung to our little green fence, the locks on the gates, the slope down the hill where I had made my fairy-houses, the red clay and light brown mud that I had squished my toes in during a heavy rain on a day on which my mother had felt adventurous as well. I breathed the grass and saw the colors the sky turned as night fell.

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LETTERS

## From your student government

Welcome back!

One of our administration’s main goals this year is to improve the communication between the Notre Dame student body and Student Government. To that end, Student Government is very excited to update you on some of the initiatives we have already accomplished since taking office on April 1st, as well as our plans for the upcoming semester.

Some new everyday conveniences that you may notice around campus include hydration stations in every dorm and new food vendors in LaFortune. One of Notre Dame’s top priorities is to continue making campus more sustainable. Thanks to funding from the Office of Housing, we are one step closer to this goal, saving tens of thousands of plastic water bottles since the hydration stations were installed this summer. For your eating enjoyment, a Taco Bell/ Pizza Hut has recently opened in the basement of LaFortune, and a Panda Express is coming soon.

Student Government has also been busy behind the scenes, working on initiatives that may not be as visible to students. The OIT freshmen security trainings have been reformed and switched to in-hall trainings. We have also worked with the Gender Relations Center on improving sexual assault resource trainings for RAs. We hope that these sorts of changes will pervade the campus as a whole to create a safer living environment.

Finally, our administration has

focused heavily on strengthening our off-campus relations through meetings with the local chiefs of police. Be on the lookout for an email with important information about staying safe off-campus.

In the coming semester, Student Government’s main focus will be on expanding inclusion in the Notre Dame family, ensuring that all students feel welcome on campus. We will approach this from two different angles: first, through actively supporting the establishment of a Gay-Straight Alliance student organization, in partnership with the Four to Five Movement, and secondly, through continued support of the Call to Action movement which began last spring.

As we work with the University on both of these issues, we hope you will tell us your ideas on ways to make sure our campus is as welcoming and friendly as possible. We promise to keep you updated on processes and decisions made by the University and look forward to hearing your feedback throughout the semester! If there is ever anything you want to see improved or changed here at Notre Dame, don’t hesitate to visit us in 203 LaFortune — our door is always open!

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## Amazon will seize 3-D printing

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3-D printing is going to revolutionize online shopping. Amazon CEO and founder Jeff Bezos realizes that, and probably envisions Amazon orchestrating the revolution. As a testament to how seriously Bezos takes 3-D printing, Bezos, along with two other venture capital groups, helped MakerBot, a seller of consumer 3-D printers and the accompanying necessary materials, raise \$10 million.

3-D printing operates like a 2-D printer, but adds another dimension out of the plane of the paper. It does so through repeated deposition of layers of a liquid plastic or melted metal ink. The technology has followed Moore’s Law, rapidly decreasing in cost. Major companies, including General Electric, have proposed using 3-D printing in manufacturing processes. Additionally, smaller companies use 3-D printing to produce niche products. Bespoke Innovations 3-D prints artistic, custom prosthetics. It is even possible to print cell phone circuitry.

3-D printing will link the virtual and physical world seamlessly. Users will be able to download a Computer Animated Drawing (CAD) file and print the desired product in their home, or maybe print the product at a regional center kitted with more heavy duty printers capable of printing more complicated objects. 3-D printing will also diversify suppliers, as it will require less infrastructure and investment to begin a company if product design is entirely virtual. Therefore, it will be possible

for many niche companies to compete with Amazon. Amazon is well positioned to take advantage of 3-D printing, but it also stands to lose out if it does not stay ahead of the curve.

But there are several ways Bezos and his company can anticipate and lead the change in 3-D printing.

The first step would probably be to buy up companies such as Shapeways, which are already allowing users to upload designs and customers to then print these designs. Amazon can also create in-house 3-D printing and tools on its site to embellish conventional products using its in-house 3-D printing. It is unlikely that most adults will have the necessary skills, the time and interest to design complex products. Amazon can offer the easy alternative: offer customizable products. By acquiring companies and hiring in-house designers, Amazon can head off the inevitable diversity of suppliers and instead establish itself as a marketplace for different users to upload their designs, as Shapeways already does.

So my advice: Buy stock in Amazon. Not only did its CEO redefine the book industry; he is also heavily involved in the privatized space industry. When it comes to 3-D printing, which has been hailed the next trillion-dollar industry, I would not be surprised if Bezos has already pounced.

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## Hamlet

By KEVIN NOONAN  
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Big, big disclaimer at the outset: I am not a theatre scholar. I am not a Shakespeare scholar. In fact, 99 times out of a hundred, I spell “theater” like a real American, “er” instead of “re.”

In a review of a performance of “Hamlet,” one of the greatest works of art in history, my approach is that of an outsider looking in on the spectacle, as I imagine most students at the University who view the play this weekend might be.

And as an outsider, with limited knowledge of the nuance and true depth, I can say from simple first-person observation that the Notre Dame Shakespeare Festival’s final show of the season, “Hamlet,” is a fast-moving, visually striking and overall gripping performance.

The opening scene of the play sees almost the entire cast on stage for the funeral of King Hamlet, and the physical presences of the different key actors and visual choreography sets the tone for the whole show.

Hamlet is physically apart from the rest of the mourners on stage in the scene, and his stature and physical movements fairly portray the uncertainty and self-doubt that torment the classic character.

Andy Truschinski, a veteran of the Notre Dame Shakespeare Festival, stars as Hamlet, and does a more than adequate job. He looks and feels the part from start to finish, and the audience feels his internal torment.

However, because of the lofted status of the role, it’s hard to say he was outstanding. With a character as famous as Hamlet, an actor must truly blow away the audience in order to break away from the pack, and good as Trushinski was, he falls just short of spectacular.

Jeff Cummings as the antagonist, Hamlet’s uncle and stepfather, King Claudius, steals the show. Cummings is delightfully and powerfully wicked on stage, playing both sides of the character — the sickly-sweet traitor and silently tormented soul — with equal force.

Claudius is a character sometimes overlooked in the story, as Hamlet dominates so much of the attention. But in this show, Claudius transforms into the most fascinating and eye-grabbing character in the production. Every time Cummings steps on stage, he commands complete attention and delivers a truly fantastic performance.

King Claudius was not the only standout either. Ophelia, Hamlet’s lover turned mental case, and Horatio, Hamlet’s friend and confidant, are both played with surprising strength and soul.

The director, David Bell, deserves praise as well. He has choreography in his background, and it shows in the strongly coordinated scenes.

Equally impressive is his choice of setting. The characters are dressed in modern clothes, looking like they’re taken out of the 1950’s, with the title character being dressed in what prep-school clothes throughout. This makes the show more relatable and gives it a much crisper feel than the flowy, old-timey look of Shakespeare’s time might have dictated.

Bell’s most insightful directorial choices come in his abridging of the play. Though a straight reading of the text might take around four-and-a-half hours, Bell’s breakneck-paced version comes through in just under three.

This accomplishes two things. First, the play moves along at such a quick pace, the audience is constantly on their toes. There is never a dull moment, never a temptation to drift off.

Second, and more artistically important, is it captures in a physical sense the rapid and chaotic nature of the story. Hamlet loses his father, sees his mother marry his uncle, kills his lover’s father, enacts a plan of revenge, and dies along with his mother and uncle all within a period of a few months. With a play that moves so quickly and slows down for nothing, the audience truly gets a feel for the hectic series of events.

Notre Dame students may not be ready to break down the story for a literary journal, but as far as relatable and palatable plays go, this one is one of the best students will get the chance to see this year.

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**When:** Tonight through Sunday, August 26

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Scene Writer



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Don’t be fooled by the name: Imagine Dragons is not a cheesy kid’s cartoon show from the 1990s, nor is it a board game played by balding, four-alarm man-children in the comfort of their parents’ basements. It’s an alternative band from Las Vegas, and a darn good one too.

I didn’t stumble upon “Continued Silence,” the band’s new EP, until last May, but it didn’t take long for it to become the soundtrack of my summer.

Imagine Dragons’ style is diverse and hard to pin down, at times combining folk rock with surprisingly heavy bass lines, but frankly that’s what makes the band so enjoyable.

The songs “On Top of the World” and “It’s Time” are upbeat, yet out of the box, using a variety of instruments, from whistles to ukuleles, in strangely tasteful fashion.

My personal favorite track, “Radioactive,” has a dubstep-inspired beat that never fails to shake the walls. If you’re searching for a great workout song, or just a way to quickly tick off your entire hall staff, find some nice speakers and turn it up.

“Continued Silence” is a fresh offering from a band with a lot of potential. I would definitely recommend a download.



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LISTEN.

When I first listened to The Lumineers last March, shortly before the April release of their self-titled album, all I could think was, “Why the heck aren’t these guys famous?”

Checking YouTube, I discovered that most of their videos had less than 1,000 views, with the only comments coming from rabid hipsters saying things like “This just made me spill my latté,” and “If these guys go mainstream, I’ll never shower again.” Well, not really, but you get the idea.

With their album now sitting high on the

iTunes top-seller list, the Lumineers have finally hit the big time, and I couldn’t be happier.

Hailing from Denver, The Lumineers combine the boot-stomping rhythm of Mumford and Sons with thought-provoking lyrics and truly powerful story telling. For instance, “Stubborn Love” is told from the perspective of a young man who can’t forget the woman who broke his heart, standing on her porch and refusing to “leave until you come downstairs.”

The more lighthearted song “Submarines” tells the story of a man who spots a Japanese submarine out at sea and frantically attempts to convince his fellow townsfolk of their imminent danger.

His efforts in vain, the narrator gives some parting words about the importance of being trustworthy, saying, “In the end it boils down to credibility/I had none so I will die with the secrets of the sea.”

If you like Mumford and Sons, or music in general, give The Lumineers a listen. I promise you won’t be disappointed.



DISCARD.

I’ve listened to plenty of bad music during my life, but Nicki Minaj’s new album “Pink Friday: Roman Reloaded” takes the term “unapologetically terrible” to new and exciting extremes. While Nicki’s stage antics, weird clothes and an alleged set of buttock injections (that’s right, buttock injections) have brought her money and fame, the fact remains that her music is still the audio equivalent of being water boarded.

I’ll admit it, when “Starships” comes on at a party I’m the obnoxious guy who belts out every word at the top of his lungs. I know for a fact that most girls are fans of the song too, because I can’t check Facebook without seeing some photo album titled “Hands up and touch the sky.”

However, one catchy song can’t save this album from being designated the worst of all time. Allow me to explain why.

First of all, the beats are uninspired and sometimes downright weird. Second, the song lyrics are often mind-numbingly repetitive and stupid to the point of being funny — musical genius at its absolute finest.

My recommendation would be to avoid “Pink Friday: Roman Reloaded” at all costs. If you do come into contact with the album, remember to wash your hands with copious amounts of soap and cold water.

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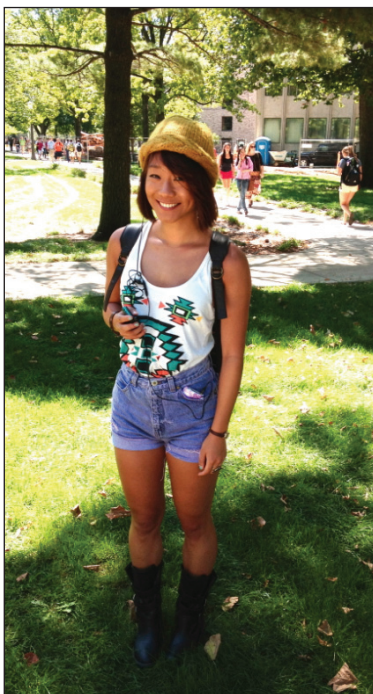
**Jes Christian**  
Scene Writer

Though summer is coming to a close, the start of school does not mark the season's final hoorah! Summer styles are still out and in full effect all around campus. I've tracked down a few Notre Dame students who are rocking some of summer's biggest trends. Here's the breakdown on why these trends are so hot, why they work so well for your fellow Irish classmates, and how to transform them so that they'll work for you!

## AZTEC ACTION

**NAME:** ANNA LEI  
**YEAR:** JUNIOR  
**DORM:** PANGBORN

Anna was easily noticeable as she strolled along North Quad. Without seeing her, one might think that a mustard-colored knit hat and black combat boots would be more appropriate for a colder season. However, combined with her Aztec-inspired racerback tank top and backpack to match, each piece came together and worked well to create a standout bohemian look. Anna's high-waist jean shorts earn a gold star as far as the trends of Summer 2012 go. High-waist shorts, skirts and pants have been taking popular clothing stores by storm since summer styles took center stage months ago. Cultural prints also had their big debut only a few seasons ago, and this summer has in no way slowed the trend down. Want to create your own "Aztec Action"-inspired look? Stop by American Apparel for a large selection of high-waist styles and Urban Outfitters for cultural prints. Want a knit hat for summer? Go for a color that's a striking contrast to your own hair color. Blondes, try a deep brown or forest green, and brunettes and dark-haired ladies, rip a page from the book of Anna and go for a brighter yellow or blue!



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## SPONSOR SPIRIT

**NAME:** ADAM MENA  
**YEAR:** SENIOR  
**DORM:** OFF CAMPUS

For you boys out there who are lost in the fashion world and need a hint of summer inspiration, take a look at this outfit that Adam has picked out. What makes this look great? Well for starters, Notre Dame is sponsored by Adidas, the popular sports brand, and so our fabulous student-athletes are constantly repping the brand almost as much as they do Notre Dame! Being a student-athlete himself, Adam has given a wonderfully classy spin to this sporty campus trend by choosing a simple black top with gold brand detailing. This sleek tee grabs our attention enough to allow for a nicely muted bottom-half of the look, as Adam is wearing some classic khaki shorts and (hold up!) what appear to be matching Adidas brand boat-sneakers! Athletic wear is an obvious summer trend for guys all over campus and beyond, but Adam takes it to another level with this clean-cut and classy look. I bet this wouldn't have been the first thing you pictured when you thought of a "jock look," but Adam's giving you a good dose of jock-chic! Want a "Sponsor Spirit"-inspired look? Hit up, you guessed it, Adidas for some upscale-sporty pieces. For a pair of sensible khaki shorts, try Gap or Hollister. Also, don't feel obligated to stick to Adam's color scheme! It's awesome, yes, but branch out and try something else and it could turn out great! I wouldn't mind seeing a similar look with a little more color on campus one of these days!



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## DOWN-PLAYED PREP

**NAME:** LOGAN RENWICK  
**YEAR:** JUNIOR  
**DORM:** KNOTT

There are numerous things that make Logan's look a great summer choice for many guys, despite its slightly preppy nature. The salmon-colored shorts and crisp white polo are indeed staples of prep style, but the casual Adidas flip-flops veer off the traditional beaten path and give Logan a more relaxed and down-to-earth look. Classy black-rimmed glasses have grown to be one of the biggest eyewear trends of the year. This pair works particularly well with the other pieces of this ensemble, capping off the look with a very studious statement. Without even uttering a word, Logan shows us that he's put together, practical and playing it cool. Want a "Downplayed Prep"-inspired look? Checkout American Eagle for the polo and shorts, Adidas or any sporting goods store for the sliders, and a local or online eyewear retailer for a pair of black-rimmed glasses.



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## CONTRAST QUEEN

**NAME:** RACHEL BOGGS  
**YEAR:** SENIOR  
**DORM:** OFF CAMPUS

Ladies and gentlemen, Rachel Boggs has arrived! Bright pants are one of the summer's hottest trends, and in this pair of red skinny jeans, Rachel makes it easy to see why! The look is given even more of a striking pop, as it is matched with a classy ivory button-down, and yet the brown rose-buckle belt gives it a hint of sensible neutrality. Look closely at Rachel's shoes and you can see that she's wearing a pair of Aztec-print Toms, joining Anna on the cultural print bandwagon! Rachel's mish-mash of earthy-toned bracelets also adds a nice and neutral touch to her standout look. Nothing, however, can truly take away from the color in this getup, and if you can pull it off as well as Rachel can, then there's nothing wrong with that! To create your own "Contrast Queen"-inspired look, try a store like J.Crew or Polyvore for brightly colored pants, and a Forever 21 or H&M for a great selection of sheer tops. For a mix of neutral bracelets, try some fun street vendors or an Aldo near you.



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## FLAWLESS FLORAL

**NAME:** SAM VASSANELLI  
**YEAR:** SENIOR  
**DORM:** PASQUERILLA WEST

Sam's floral print dress is a classic summer style that never seems to get old. Flowers are a clear indication that the spring and summer seasons have arrived, and with this tropically-inspired color scheme, this dress is a perfect way for Sam to truly capitalize on the sun and fun — the season's finest characteristics! A simple pair of black spaghetti-strap sandals is a perfect way to offset this attention-grabbing garment. Messy buns have also become an ever-growing trend in the world of hair and are great for an effortless-chic look. The culmination of these three pieces results in a look that says, "I'm doing the most without doing the most, and I look great doing it!" Sam indeed looks great, and if you're looking for a similar floral style then try an online shop like Modcloth or Lulu's. For sandals like hers, try a DSW or Nordstrom's.



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Summer may be winding down, but you still have time to end it right with some of these great summer trends! Try them out, and if you commit to the look, then you can't lose!

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## SPORTS AUTHORITY

# California owns summer headlines



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California knows how to party.

And our beloved world of sports has shown up fashionably late.

This summer, the center of the sporting world finally made the grueling cross-country move to California, and it took a whole lot more than a U-Haul and a “California or bust” sign to get it there.

Maybe it was tired of the muggy, dull East Coast weather and summer boredom. Or possibly it was just done with the overhyped buzz and overreacting fan bases out East year after year.

Whether you don’t believe it or don’t want to believe it, it has already happened in every major sport.

To kick off this lovely summer, the Los Angeles Kings made one of the most remarkable runs in Stanley Cup Playoffs history. Leading up to the finals, the long-suffering Kings won 12 of their 14 playoff games against the No. 1, 2 and 3 seeds, respectively. All that was accomplished as the measly eight-seed who barely made the playoffs in the final weekend of the regular season.

Led by eventual Conn Smythe winner Jonathan Quick and his playoff-record .946 save percentage, Los Angeles got to see the Stanley Cup for the first time in 45 years, the trophy gleaming in the beautiful California sunshine as it strode down Figueroa Street. So much for hockey only mattering where the ice won’t melt.

Also, I heard LeBron won some sort of title this past summer, and I’m not talking about a gold medal, either. But everyone is buzzing about La-La Land — and I definitely don’t mean the Clippers. As far as LeBron goes, we should almost feel sorry for him, as that was the shortest title celebration/recognition in NBA history, coming just after the longest in Dallas, due to last season’s unnecessarily added lockout vacation time.

Thanks to the addition of the Dwight Howard saga and Steve Nash, a combined 33 All-Star game appearances now reside in the scariest starting-five

in basketball. How Orlando traded away one of the best players in the NBA and in return got back the fourth-best player in the four-team trade, I will never understand. But the Lakers do always seem to come away with something just short of grand larceny in every trade they make, in the process stealing away all of the Heat’s Thunder — get it?

And if that wasn’t enough, the dog days of summer baseball carried on without the dreadful humidity. While baseball’s big dogs remained in their cozy kennels at the trade deadline — some injured (Phillies), some whining (Red Sox) — the biggest moves were made out West. The Dodgers reeled in a former clubhouse cancer and batting champ in Hanley Ramirez with great dividends along with Shane Victorino, the Giants stole an All-Star in Hunter Pence while losing another All-Star to a fake website, and that other California team in Anaheim (not Los Angeles) poached a former Cy Young winner in Zack Grienke.

And somehow, Oakland has even jumped into the news, whether it was a 19-5 record in July to spark the A’s to relevance in what movies producers are calling Moneyball 2.0, or becoming the second Bay Area team to have a player suspended for performance-enhancing drugs in a week. Meanwhile, all four are caught in thrilling division races heading into the homestretch of the season.

And to put the bun on top of our delicious In-N-Out Burger, USC and Heisman candidate Matt Barkley are unfortunately drawing all the attention in college football with a No. 1 ranking in the preseason AP poll.

Oh, and even with the event in the United Kingdom, California was still at the center of the Olympics, as 93 of the 256 medals dished out to American athletes are coming back to the Golden State.

West Coast, best coast? Looks like this isn’t just a vacation.

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## MLB

# Rockies shut out Mets to complete sweep

## Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jim Tracy wants his Colorado Rockies pitchers to take it to the limit.

And his 75-pitch boundary for starters seems to be working of late.

Tyler Chatwood combined with four relievers in a 1-0 victory over the New York Mets on Thursday, completing a four-game sweep and giving the last-place Rockies a five-game winning streak that tied their season high.

“What we just did today is not easy to do. It’s not easy to do — sweep a four-game series on the road,” Tracy said.

Ever since the Rockies went to a four-man rotation in June, their starters have been on tight limits. The Colorado manager has kept the restraints in place even as the Rockies have gone back to a quintet of starters.

Chatwood was pulled after allowing three hits over three innings. He needed 65 pitches to get nine outs.

“I was getting close to the 75 pitches, so they made the decision,” Chatwood said. “You always want to be economical. I think that’s your job as a starting pitcher, to go as deep as you can in a game. And I think that 75 pitches kind of makes you go right after the guy.”

No Rockies starter has reached 100 pitches since Jeremy Guthrie threw 102 against Oakland on June 12, according to STATS LLC.

Forget about complete games — they’ve gone the way of the Dodo bird in Colorado. The Rockies haven’t had one since Jhoulys Chacin in a 2-1 loss at



AP

**Rockies pitcher Tyler Chatwood goes into his windup in the first inning of Thursday's 1-0 victory over the Mets.**

Cincinnati on Aug. 11 last year. Tracy still was raving about Chacin’s six-inning, 73-pitch effort in Tuesday’s 6-2 victory.

“Fifty-one of the 73 were strikes,” he said. “In my opinion, that’s quality major league pitching. When you throw 80 pitches or you throw 75 pitches in three innings, or 78 pitches in three innings, and someone’s going to sit here from what I’ve experienced in over 36 years and tell me that that’s quality major league pitching, I’ll strongly disagree with whoever is uttering it to me. I want our guys to understand what quality major league pitching is all about.”

On the other side, New York’s Collin McHugh pitched two-hit ball over seven scoreless innings in a dazzling big league debut. After he left, the Rockies quickly went ahead against Bobby Parnell (2-3) as Jordany Valdespin misplayed Tyler

Colvin’s leadoff drive in the eighth into a game-changing triple.

Colvin hit Parnell’s second pitch to straightaway center, where the rookie Valdespin took two steps in, then realized he had misjudged the drive. He backpedaled a half-dozen steps and tried for a leaping, backhand grab, but the ball sailed over his glove.

“I knew I hit it well, and I knew it had pretty good backspin on it,” Colvin said. “It was going to be decided on how he read it, and he took a couple steps in.”

Chris Nelson fouled off a pair of 0-2 pitches, then singled to center past the drawn-in infield.

Brooklyn native Adam Ottavino and Rex Brothers (8-2) followed Chatwood with two innings each, and Willie Harris escaped a runner-on-second situation in the eighth.

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That every dog will have his day  
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There was no final scene, no frozen frame  
I just watched it slowly fade away.

And I’ve been waiting in the weeds  
Waiting for my time to come around again  
and Hope is floating on the breeze  
Carrying my soul high up above the ground  
and I’ve been keepin’ to myself  
Knowin’ that the seasons are slowly changing  
Even though you’re with somebody else  
He’ll never love you like I do.  
I’ve been biding time with the crows

and sparrows  
While peacocks prance and strut upon the stage  
If finding love is just a dance  
Proximity and chance  
You will excuse me if I skip the masquerade.

And I’ve been waiting in the weeds  
Waiting for the dust to settle down along the Back roads  
running through the fields  
Lying on the outskirts of this lonesome town  
And I imagine sunlight in your hair  
You’re at the county fair.

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MLB

# McHugh a rare bright spot for struggling Mets

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Collin McHugh walked off the mound toward the dugout after the seventh and final inning of his first major league appearance, tried to remain stone-faced and raised his right hand to touch his cap for the 13 family and friends watching from the stands.

“It was still a tight game so I don’t want to do anything crazy,” he said.

McHugh had a dazzling debut on yet another dismal day for the New York Mets. The 25-year-old right-hander allowed two hits,

struck out nine and walked one in seven shutout innings. It wasn’t enough, and the Colorado Rockies completed their second straight four-game sweep at New York with a 1-0 victory Thursday as Jordany Valdespin misplayed Tyler Colvin’s leadoff drive in the eighth into a game-changing triple.

“We can’t execute. It just seems like we can’t execute anything we try,” manager Terry Collins said.

New York was 0 for 10 with runners in scoring position in the game and 8 for 43 (.186) in the series. The Mets have been held to two runs or fewer for six straight

games for the first time since a streak of seven in a row from Sept. 17-21, 1982, according to STATS LLC.

Collins admitted he’s turned his attention to 2013.

“At this stage of the season, you’ve got to start looking to next year, you’ve got to start looking at the big picture,” he said, pleased with some of his young pitchers such as Matt Harvey and McHugh. “You look for Sept. 1 now to say who’s going to be the next guy that’s going to whet our taste buds?”

New York is 11-28 since the All-Star break, which includes a 2-14 mark at Citi Field, and is 11 games under .500 for the first time since finishing 70-92 in 2009.

“It’s a nightmare for everybody in this clubhouse,” catcher Josh Thole said.

“When it happens once, OK. When it happens again, all right guys, you’ve got to move on. But three nights in a row. And then four. And then it keeps mounting up. You can only say we’ve got to put this behind us so many times,” he said.

Taking the rotation slot of injured ace Johan Santana, McHugh threw 63 of 100 pitches for strikes. After Charlie Blackmon’s opposite-field double to left leading off the game, McHugh retired 20 of 22 batters around DJ LeMahieu’s double starting the third and Carlos Gonzalez’s two-out walk in the fourth.

McHugh seems like an interesting type. His Twitter account reads “Freelance Meteorologist & Professional baseball player.”

“It’s a little joke,” he said. “I can predict the weather — but I do it for a nominal fee.”

He became the sixth Mets starter to pitch shutout ball in his debut, according to STATS, joining Dick Rusteck (1966), Tim Leary (1981), Masato Yoshii (1998), Tyler Yates (2004) and Matt Harvey (July 26 at Arizona). Only Rusteck pitched longer, throwing a four-hitter against Cincinnati.

“Before the game they said he was Dillon Gee, and that’s exactly what I saw,” Thole said. “Pounded the strike zone.”

Using a big, slow curveball and a fastball from 86-93 mph, McHugh worked out of trouble after the double by Blackmon, who also played high school ball in the Atlanta area. Sacrificed to third, Blackmon was stranded when McHugh threw a called third strike past Jordan Pacheco and fanned Carlos Gonzalez.

“Had tremendous poise,” Rockies manager Jim Tracy said. “What else can you ask?”

McHugh felt well prepared.

“The anticipation is the hardest part, for sure,” he said. “It was trying to contain the nerves. A lot of people gave some really good advice and said you’re going to be nervous. It’s a fact. Just contain those and go out and do your thing.”

Colorado, which tied a season high with its fifth straight win, broke through quickly after McHugh’s departure.

Colvin hit the second pitch from Bobby Parnell (2-3) to straight-away center, where the rookie Valdespin took two steps in, then realized he had misjudged the drive. He backpedaled a half-dozen steps and jumped for a back-hand grab, but the ball sailed over his glove.

“The ball jumped off the bat,” Valdespin said.

He’s been a middle infielder for most of his career.

“One of the things you’ve got to be careful of is putting guys out of position in the big leagues, because eventually the ball will find them,” Collins said. “When you’re in a situation like we are, it’s going to happen at the wrong time, which it has.”

Chris Nelson fouled off a pair of 0-2 pitches, then singled to center past the drawn-in infield.

“I can’t tell you how proud I am of this group,” Tracy said. “Said that many times, it doesn’t take a four-game sweep to say it.”

Rex Brothers (8-2) pitched two innings for the win. Matt Belisle, Colorado’s fifth pitcher, got his first save since June 22, 2010, against Boston following some ninth-inning drama. Pinch-hitter Justin Turner singled leading off and was sacrificed to second by Valdespin. Daniel Murphy flied to center and David Wright flied to right.

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## Belles seek NCAA berth and beyond

By **ANDREW CARDOZA**  
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As the school year is starting up, there are a lot of new expectations for the Saint Mary’s golf team.

Big expectations are the norm for the Belles, having finished third in the MIAA in the fall portion of last season. And Saint Mary’s came out on a mission in the spring season. As a result, the team’s scores dropped as the spring moved along, and it finished the year by earning their seventh berth in the NCAA Division III championships.

Belles coach Mark Hamilton said the team has even bigger goals they would like to achieve.

“Our goal is to start the fall season by winning the conference championship, perform well in the two big tournaments, the Anderson Invitational and O’Brien National Invitational and to be ranked highly as possible,” Hamilton said.

The Belles’ roster will include seven new athletes, five first years and two transfer students. Hamilton is looking to the newcomers to have a major impact on the team and the outcome of the meets.

“The first-year students played quite well in the qualifying week,” Hamilton said. “I saw a lot of good things that will help us to be a better

team. With hard work and practice, they can really challenge the upper-classmen and make this team have more depth.”

One of the returning golfers for the Belles is junior Doyle O’Brien. She helped lead the team to a very promising campaign last year, as well as leading them to the NCAA tournament. O’Brien set school records for the lowest individual round — shooting a 72 — and lowest four-day score (307) at the NCAA championships, while tying for sixth place individually. The incoming junior received Honorable Mention All-American accolades for her efforts.

“If our team can have a lower scoring average from top to bottom and everyone competes to the way they practice, we can be a very tough team to beat down the stretch,” Hamilton said.

The Belles will have the opportunity to play in six meets this fall, including two tournaments, which involve competing against three of the top-25 teams in the country in the preseason polls.

The Belles will compete at the Anderson Invitational in Anderson, Ind., on Sept. 1 and 2.

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## Waldrum

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do is spend practice time on [converting opportunities], much like a basketball player in a shooting slump," Waldrum said. "We may move some players around and be a little more mobile in

***"The excitement of opening at home always gives the team new life, and we need to get the word out there and build student support. Both games this weekend will present challenges, and it will be an important weekend for our team."***

Randy Waldrum  
Irish coach

our positions, since we didn't create enough opportunities with our forwards. All the pieces need to be put together, but I like the chemistry our players have had so far."

Team chemistry will be

very important for an Irish squad consisting largely of underclassmen. Notre Dame started seven freshmen in the season opener, including goalkeeper Elyse Hight and the defensive trio of Stephanie Campo, Brittany Von Rueden and Katie Naughton.

The Irish will look for continued development from their highly-heralded freshman class when they take on Tulsa (1-0), a team Notre Dame and Waldrum are very familiar with. The Irish defeated the Golden Hurricane 7-1 last year at Alumni Stadium, and Waldrum served as the head coach of both the Tulsa men's and women's teams from 1989 to 1994, recording a 66-33-6 record with the men and a 61-36-9 record with the women. Given the history between the programs, Waldrum said he expects the matchup with the Golden Hurricane to be a tough road test for the Irish.

"Tulsa will be a challenge for us since they are very good at home, and there will be some added focus from their coaching staff, since I used to coach there," Waldrum said. "I like how we match up, and I see it as one more opportunity to handle pressure and gain experience."

After traveling to

Oklahoma, Notre Dame will return for its home opener against East Carolina (1-1), a program the Irish never have faced. The owner of an 11-8-1 record last season, East Carolina lost its season opener 2-1 in overtime to Campbell last weekend, but rebounded to defeat Old Dominion 1-0 on Wednesday. The Pirates return 20 letter winners from last season, including all-conference junior goalkeeper Christiane Cordero and all-conference senior defender Hali Oughton.

With a tough slate of two games in three days, Waldrum emphasized the benefit a strong fan turnout against East Carolina would provide for the team.

"The excitement of opening at home always gives the team new life, and we need to get the word out there and build student support," Waldrum said. "Both games this weekend will present challenges, and it will be an important weekend for our team."

The Irish face Tulsa at 8:30 p.m. on Friday in Tulsa, Okla. and battle East Carolina at 1 p.m. on Sunday at Alumni Stadium.

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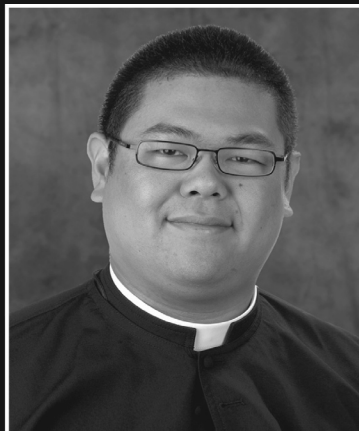
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## ND VOLLEYBALL

# Irish prepared for matchup with nation's best

By CONOR KELLY  
Sports Writer

When the Irish first scheduled a trip to Lincoln, Neb., for a pre-season round-robin with UCLA, Saint Louis and Nebraska, they figured they were getting a good chance to open play against three very respectable opponents. Months later, however, the three-game slate has turned into a veritable gauntlet, featuring two of the top four teams in the country with the No. 1 Bruins and the No. 4 Cornhuskers.

"There's no time like the beginning of the year to go against the top team in the country," Irish coach Debbie Brown said of her team taking on UCLA. "We will immediately know how good we are."

The Bruins return much of the squad that defeated Illinois last December to claim the 2011 national championship, and the team's preseason prospectus has been equally auspicious. A favorite to repeat as Pac-12 champions, UCLA garnered 54 of 60 first-place votes in the AVCA coaches' poll released Aug. 13.

"It's funny, because all we know of these teams we're playing is what they had last year,

and that's all that they know of us," Brown said. "We know that the majority of last year's team is back for UCLA, but compared to where we were last year, we ourselves are much more advanced."

The Irish return all but two starters from the team that fell to Cincinnati in the Big East final last year, but will nevertheless have to break in both new faces in new places and familiar ones in unfamiliar spots.

The task of replacing graduated four-year libero starter Frenchie Silva will fall to incoming freshman Taylor Morey, while sophomore Toni Alughue will shift to the outside from her previous position at middle blocker to fill the spot of graduated outside hitter Kristen Dealy. Morey, a 5-foot-6 Indiana native, has impressed Brown enough to win the starting job in fall practice, despite her collegiate inexperience.

"We feel very comfortable with Taylor there and with Toni moving to a more attacking position," Brown said. "They put us in a very good position to do well this weekend."

If there's a chance for a let-down after taking on UCLA, the



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*Irish sophomore libero Kathleen Severyn prepares to serve during Notre Dame's 3-0 victory over Valparaiso in the Golden Dome Invitational on Sept. 11, 2011.*

Irish will need to guard against it in matchups against Saint Louis and Nebraska on Saturday and Sunday, respectively. And if it's possible for the fourth-best team in the country to be overshadowed, it's this weekend with the Cornhuskers. A team that won two games in the NCAA

tournament and returns much of its squad will undoubtedly play second-fiddle to the Bruins, but Brown said her team is focused equally on both opponents.

"Against both these teams, and Saint Louis, we're going in to compete hard on every point and come back with wins," Brown

said. "Every match the goal is to win. We're not going just hoping to be respectable."

The Irish open their season against UCLA on Friday in Lincoln, Neb.

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151 touchdown passes. He has not, however, thrown a pass in a collegiate game.

"We've prepared the offense for a first-year starter," Kelly said. "He's got four seasons of competition remaining. Anytime you're starting someone with four seasons of competition remaining, you know he's going to learn more, he's going to experience more as he plays. We have to make sure we put him in good

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Brian Kelly  
Irish coach

positions.

"The style of offense we see will be the one he's most comfortable running. Maybe not as fast of a tempo, but we're utilizing multiple personnel groupings as a form of attacking the defense. We're leaning towards the multiple personnel groupings with Everett."

While Golson's inexperience poses a challenge, Kelly said he was impressed with his other qualities.

"His poise was really outstanding, [he has] great vision down the field. Those things are really positive, even if you don't have a lot of experience," Kelly said.

Last Thursday, Kelly said Golson had only thrown one interception out of 126 pass attempts during training camp. That number has now risen to three, but Kelly said he is not concerned with turnovers.

"If he stays focused, he's not

going to be that guy that turns the football over," Kelly said.

Kelly said the reps would be split 70-30 between Golson and Hendrix.

### Russell, Neal named starters

Golson wasn't the only first-time starter Kelly announced Thursday.

Freshman cornerback KeiVarae Russell will fill the first-team void left by junior Lo Wood, who was lost for the season with a ruptured Achilles tendon Monday during practice. Wood underwent successful surgery Wednesday.

"There's always a couple of kids that just have it," Kelly said of Russell. "He's so confident in his ability. He's extremely athletic. He's picked it up so quickly.

"It was a comfortable transition for him and he's a really smart kid. All those things pointed in his favor."

Russell — recruited out of Everett, Wash., as an athlete — will start alongside junior Bennett Jackson, a converted receiver. Kelly said the distinctions between the two cornerback positions (boundary and field) will be blurred because of the inexperience.

"I think we're going to have to have some flexibility there depending on who we're playing, what the circumstances are," Kelly said. "If [USC receiver] Robert Woods is into the boundary, Bennett Jackson will be into the boundary."

Freshman receiver Davonte' Neal, meanwhile, will return punts for the Irish, Kelly said.

Last season, Notre Dame returned just 13 punts for 48 yards — with 41 yards coming from former Irish receiver Michael Floyd's return in the 18-14 Champs Sports Bowl loss to Florida State in December.

Sophomore running back George Atkinson will maintain his kickoff return duties after returning two kicks for touchdowns last year.

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## Golson

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Anxiety is only natural in his situation, but it's important Kelly doesn't add additional stress.

Allowing Golson to show his inexperience and flaws in 2012 will pay off down the road. This team isn't ready to earn a Bowl Championship Series berth, but 2013 should be a different story. Entering this brutal schedule with a long-term approach doesn't mean it has to compromise 2012.

There's only one way Golson can gain experience, and it's by throwing him straight into the fire.

Kelly said he anticipates Golson will play every snap of the opener, rather than shuttling he and Hendrix in and out every series, which is the right

move. For Golson — and the entire offense — to find a groove and develop consistency, he needs to experience the leadership of leading an offense, as well as its struggles and triumphs.

While Kelly is not — and should not be — on the hot seat entering his third season, the success of his tenure rides largely on quarterback play. Rees reached his ceiling as a freshman and floundered as a sophomore, but Kelly finally has a quarterback that can effectively run his system.

Now, he just needs to take off the training wheels and let Golson grow.

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**Irish midfielder Ryan Finley dribbles through two Xavier defenders during Notre Dame's 1-0 victory over the Musketeers on Aug. 20, 2012.**

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The most important thing [against Duke] is finding out about [us.]"

Captain and senior midfielder Dillon Powers echoed his coach's sentiments, saying a difficult opening-game opponent will prove beneficial.

"It is a good thing, in that you have to be ready right away," Powers said. "Also, if you do get a big win to open your season, that can be a great thing."

Though they may not make

an appearance Saturday, a few Irish freshmen will likely end up playing this season, according to Clark. He said he was pleased with what he saw from the freshmen during the preseason.

"It's always hard for a fall sport, especially when you only get two-and-a-half weeks of a preseason," Clark said. "It's hard for freshmen to come in and make an impact. There are always a couple that work their way into the squad. I was very pleased with all six of the freshmen, and I imagine two to three

will end up contributing this year."

Powers is also hoping to see some freshmen on the pitch this season.

"I'm very happy with them, we're excited to have such a talented class," he said. "We really try to integrate them as much as possible, and hopeful they can contribute for us."

Notre Dame kicks off against the Blue Devils on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at Alumni Stadium.

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14 Peer review participant?

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23 City on Ishikari Bay

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- 30 It fosters bilingualism: Abbr.

31 Primary counterpart

37 Unable to get any thicker

38 Film for which Judi Dench was nominated for Best Actress

39 Parent's diner order?

40 Things bust when it booms

41 Young 'uns

42 Dangerous thing to run on

44 Carried out

47 He took Holyfield's title away in 1992

48 When shadows are shortest

49 Camp accessory

52 Programme watcher, say
- 53 Back-scratchers' activity

55 "Athena" artist

56 Like lines, briefly

57 Modicum

58 Head slappers' cries

59 Some nonkosher fish

60 Having learned things

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- 1 Sophocles tragedy

2 Rikishi's specialty

3 Multicolored breakfast food

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5 Black Bears' home

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7 "Spring Is Here" musical

8 "Like you're really going to

9 Struck out

10 Congregationalist, e.g.

11 Richard Nixon's birthplace

12 Snooty?

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Puzzle by Martin Ashwood-Smith

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27 Conforming to

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32 In need of brushing up

33 Major mail handler?: Abbr.

34 Bailout button
- 35 Book after Amos: Abbr.

36 Marlon Brando's "I Remember Mama" role

42 Fell off

43 Havana's \_\_\_\_ Castle

45 When doubled, affected
- 46 Barely running

48 Soap additive

49 Bargain basement lineup

50 Head of a tale?

51 Heavy drinking, e.g.

54 Elle's

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SOLUTION TO THURSDAY'S PUZZLE

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [www.sudoku.org.uk](http://www.sudoku.org.uk)

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**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:** Scott Caan, 36; Jay Mohr, 42; Shelley Long, 63; Barbara Eden, 78.

**Happy Birthday:** Don't give in to demands, but do listen to what others say. Use your intuition to come up with the most suitable choices and you will have no regrets. Being true to you and what you want to accomplish is most important. Your numbers are 10, 14, 19, 28, 31, 37, 40.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Get ready to make changes that will help you out financially and emotionally. Take a good look at the relationships you have with both business and personal acquaintances and do what you can to make improvements. ★★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Don't make a move because someone else does. You have to do what's best for you if you are going to excel. Being a follower will not get you what you want in the end. Do business via the phone or Internet. ★★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Discuss your plans and forge ahead. You may not get everyone's blessings, but you will feel at peace once your plans are out in the open. A move or a change in the way you live will help you feel good about your accomplishments. ★★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Concentrate on what's ahead, not on what has already taken place. Put your heart into whatever you do, and take time to enjoy the company of the people you enjoy being with most. A trip or new experience will help you rejuvenate. ★★★★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Keep moving if you want to get everything on your to-do list finished. A relationship you have with someone will change if one of you is secretive. You will learn quickly; focus on mastering a new skill to add to your resume. ★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Consider your motives before you get entangled in something for the wrong reason. You are best to follow your heart, not what you think will bring you the highest return. Happiness will be based on self-satisfaction. Love is highlighted. ★★★★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Open up a dialogue with people you feel have something to teach you. Don't let a relationship get you down or cause you to miss something you want to attend or do. You can resolve pending problems if you voice your concerns. ★★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** You aren't likely to win a debate by talking. Showing what you can do will be far more effective. An interesting concept you come across can be easily manipulated to fit something you want to pursue. Love is in the stars. ★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):**Keep things out in the open. Secrets will lead to suspicion. Make the alterations at home that will make your life better. A change of heart may end up costing you financially or emotionally. Choose your battles and your friendships wisely. ★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Check out what everyone else is doing, and you'll find a perfect place to put your skills to work. What you contribute will be well-received and put you in the running for advancement. A partnership will enhance your future prospects. ★★★★★

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Winning and controlling are not the same things. Make sure that everyone, including you, has the freedom to express individuality in whatever way possible. You will bring out the best in everyone and surpass your dreams, hopes and wishes. ★

**PISCES (Feb. 19- March 20):** You'll be torn between what you should do and what you want to do. Don't miss out; get organized, call in favors and move quickly in order to take care of your responsibilities and enjoy fulfilling your desires. ★★★★★

**Birthday Baby:** You are intense, determined and observant. You work hard and play hard.

JUMBLE | DAVID HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

SOJIT

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The rivets will keep the denim from pulling apart.

What a brilliant idea.

Do they fit women?

LEVI STRAUSS WAS SUCCESSFUL SELLING PANTS BECAUSE HE WAS A \_\_\_\_

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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Yesterday's

Jumbles: YAHOO EAGLE AGENCY HYPHEN

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## FOOTBALL

# Golson chosen as starting quarterback

By **MATTHEW DeFRANKS**  
Associate Sports Editor

While he stood at the podium in the Isban Auditorium on Thursday evening, sophomore quarterback Everett Golson was trending on Twitter — and for good reason.

He was now the starting quarterback at Notre Dame.

After a four-man quarterback race for the second straight season, Irish coach Brian Kelly announced Golson beat junior quarterback Andrew Hendrix and freshman Gunner Kiel for the starting nod against Navy on Sept. 1 in Dublin. Junior Tommy Rees will serve a one-game suspension for the opener stemming from a May arrest.

“[Everett] won the job,” Kelly said. “Andrew did a great job, made great improvements, really pleased with the progress of both those young men. It was good to see. It was a tough decision, but Everett clearly won the starting job and he’ll be the starter against Navy.”

The six-foot signal caller did not see playing time a year ago after enrolling early in the spring of 2011. Golson did, however, travel



SUZANNA PRATT | The Observer

**Irish sophomore quarterback Everett Golson drops back to pass during a spring practice drill April 4.**

with the team last season, when the Irish used three different quarterbacks.

In the season opener last season against South Florida, Kelly pulled then-starter and former Irish quarterback Dayne Crist at halftime after three first-half turnovers and a 16-0 deficit and replaced him with Rees. Kelly said Golson is a player to build around.

“I don’t think you go into a

season saying, ‘I want to make a change at halftime.’ You want to be able to stick with a guy and build continuity, especially with a guy who’s got four seasons of competition [left]. You want to build on that,” Kelly said.

The Myrtle Beach, S.C., native started 49 games in high school, racking up 44 wins and

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## Young QB must grow into job



**Andrew Owens**  
Assistant Managing Editor

A new year, a new quarterback at Notre Dame.

Only this year, the quarterback position will be managed differently. It needs to be.

If Irish coach Brian Kelly is going to right the Notre Dame ship, he needs to show the same patience in sophomore quarterback Everett Golson that he undoubtedly desires from the Irish faithful in year three on the job.

If Kelly pulls the plug on the Golson experiment as quickly as he did with Dayne Crist last year, this season will feel as long and bleak as a South Bend winter.

Kelly praised Golson’s grasp of the art of the position in the spring, but said he was a “heart attack” due to his struggles with learning the science of being a quarterback. It was Golson’s improvement in that

department that ultimately allowed him to leapfrog junior Andrew Hendrix and win the starting job. Kelly said on Aug. 16 that Golson had thrown just one interception in 126 attempts in fall camp to that point.

Not bad for a “heart attack.”

Golson will afford the offense some much-needed flair in the absence of Michael Floyd. While Tyler Eifert is more than capable of handling much of the offensive load, Golson’s ability to improvise will facilitate the growth and cover up some of the unit’s growing pains.

And there will be growing pains.

Regardless of which quarterback takes the lion’s share of the snaps this season (including junior Tommy Rees, who is suspended for the opener), ups and downs are guaranteed. But for Golson to succeed, he can’t have the mindset that each snap could be his last.

“I think there’s always going to be anxiety with this being my first college game,” Golson said. “I’m always going to be anxious.”

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## ND WOMEN’S SOCCER

## Irish seek first road win at Oklahoma

By **BRIAN HARTNETT**  
Sports Writer

Notre Dame finds itself winless heading into the second game of the season, a position the Irish have not been in since the last century. The young Irish squad will look to rebound and place its first tally in the win column when it travels to Oklahoma to take on Tulsa on Friday night, returning home to battle East Carolina on Sunday afternoon at Alumni Stadium.

The Irish (0-1) dropped their season opener for the first time since 1999 last weekend, losing 1-0 to Wisconsin (2-0). Notre Dame bested the Badgers in nearly every statistical category, finishing with more shots on goal, saves and corners, but could not close the game out, giving up the game’s lone goal in the 84th minute.

Irish coach Randy Waldrum said the season opener heightened the need for his team to impose its

style on the game, and illustrated how important finishing games will be this season.

“We got too caught up in their style, which was a more physical game, instead of imposing our possession-oriented game,” Waldrum said. “We also have to learn how to finish games out and not give up late goals. I think we can win a lot of games, but with our tough schedule, I think we’ll be in several close games that won’t be decided until the end.”

Another point of emphasis for Notre Dame will be converting opportunities on the offensive end. The Irish had a number of opportunities to score in their season opener, including five shots on goal in the first half, but could not find the inside of the net. Waldrum said the Irish would look to address this problem through practice and some minor on-field changes.

“The only thing you can

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## MEN’S SOCCER

## Blue Devils to visit Irish

By **CORY BERNARD**  
Sports Writer

After concluding exhibition play Monday, the Irish will open the regular season with a home showdown against Duke on Saturday.

Ranked No. 21 in the Soccer America preseason poll, Duke brings a squad sporting just one senior to Alumni Stadium. However, Irish coach Bobby Clark said the age difference between the two teams likely will not matter too greatly.

“Age does not affect it too much,” he said. “I’m sure [Duke] has a reasonable amount of experience. I don’t think it’s how old you are that counts, it’s how good you are. I don’t put too much thought into age. We’ll see after the game if [inexperience] really affected [Duke] or not.”

Luckily for the Blue Devils, the lone senior on their roster is 2011 All-ACC first team goalkeeper James Belshaw. Clark said his coaches know how talented Belshaw is. But if the Irish execute their game plan, he said they should have no trouble creating scoring opportunities.



SARAH O’CONNOR | The Observer

**Irish junior defender Luke Mishu looks upfield during Notre Dame’s 1-0 victory over Xavier on Aug. 20 at Arlotta Stadium.**

“We’ve got pretty good reports about their goalkeeper, he’s got pretty good experience,” Clark said. “I don’t want to focus too much on them. We’ve got to really concentrate on what we do and how we play how. Can we execute our game plan? Can we create chances? I don’t care what goalkeeper it is if we get good chances.”

Regardless of the outcome, Duke will present a significant

test to begin the season. Clark said the matchup with Blue Devils mirrors the remaining regular season schedule, and he prefers such a layout.

“If you look at our schedule, we don’t have one easy game,” he said. “With 17 regular season games, I don’t believe in wasting one with what we think would be an easy game.”

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