

Students celebrate with Hesburgh

Residents of Zahm House spend afternoon with University President Emeritus

By **TORI ROECK**
News Writer

Zahm House celebrated its 75th anniversary Sunday by honoring one of the few people on campus older than the dorm itself: 95-year-old University President Emeritus Fr. Theodore Hesburgh.

The event began in the Hesburgh Library Auditorium with a reading of the "Hesburgh Challenge," an agreement for all residents of Zahm House to live out Hesburgh's legacy in their lives, and continued with an address from Hesburgh himself and a sharing of cigars near the Reflecting Pool.

Zahm rector Scott Opperman said honoring Hesburgh was a great way to start off a historic year for the dorm.

"The guys love him, and he means so much to Zahm and to the whole university," Opperman said. "Zahm has stood up and said, 'We want to carry on his legacy,' and that's a great way to celebrate our 75th anniversary ... You could tell that he was touched. He even had a tear up there."

Opperman said he designed the contents of the "Hesburgh Challenge" to reflect Hesburgh's priorities.

"It's things that Fr. Ted stands for, like service, sustainability, being inclusive," he said. "The number-one thing was being inclusive and welcoming, and obviously that's top on Fr. Hesburgh's list."

To prioritize being inclusive, the men of Zahm agreed to respect themselves and others.

The "Challenge" states, "We will never tolerate discrimination or hate-speech based on ability, age, class, color, ethnicity, gender, nationality, race, religion, sex, or sexual orientation."

Zahm's residents pledged to end their "Ole, ole, ole" chant and will challenge others to do the same.

The "Challenge" also emphasizes service and charity.

"We shall dedicate ourselves to service," the document states. "We will all participate in at least one House or University-sponsored service opportunity. We shall make larger donations to charity, especially through the profits of Za, our pizza



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The residents of Zahm House pose for a picture with University President Emeritus Fr. Theodore Hesburgh in the Hesburgh Library.

parlor."

After the recitation of the Challenge, Hesburgh thanked the men of Zahm for honoring him and imparted words of advice.

"Zahm has always been outstanding among the many halls at Notre Dame," Hesburgh said. "Zahm always had, like the Germans call it, zeitgeist. They

had a spirit, a kind of feeling and character, a kind of daring ... I'm very lucky to be adopted as a part of the family by Zahm."

Hesburgh said students should have the courage to be themselves and disagree with each other, even if that means questioning the status quo.

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Alum leads climb

By **MEL FLANAGAN**
News Writer

In November 2009, a group of about 20 students, led by Tom Lillig, Class of 1995, climbed to the 17,160-foot summit of Mount Iztaccihuatl in Mexico.

The climb was an incredible feat by itself, but the trip's accomplishment was amplified by the fact that half of the students were blind.

The trip was one of many sponsored by No Barriers U.S.A., a non-profit organization Lillig is the board president of. No Barriers aims to provide transformative experiences for students and veteran soldiers who would not otherwise have had an opportunity to see the world, he said.

"Our goal is to encourage people to live what we call a no-barriers lifestyle, in which whatever barrier they're facing in life ... they really believe that whatever

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Students enjoy music, atmosphere of Block Party

By **ADAM LLORENS**
News Writer

The unifying quality of music was evident Saturday night at the annual B1 Block Party, as hundreds of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students came together to kick off the new school year.

Student bands assisted Breathe Carolina, a Denver-based electronic rock duo, in opening the show for headliner Boys Like Girls.

Sophomore Michael Fernandes attended the B1 Block Party for the second time and thought it went as smoothly as it did last year.

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Students cheer on Martin Johnson, lead singer of the band Boys Like Girls at the B1 Block Party on Saturday.

Students spend summer with Navy

By **NICOLE MICHELS**
News Writer

While most students left Notre Dame thinking of lazy summer days last May, the students in the Navy ROTC battalion were preparing to learn more about what life will be like as an officer in the U.S. Navy after graduation.

Depending on class year and option, the midshipmen had different summer plans.

Rising sophomores embarked on a month-long excursion called cortramid to a naval base where they spent a week working in each community within the Navy: aviation, submarine, surface and Marine. These midshipmen are split between an east cortramid on the base in Norfolk, Va., and a

west cortramid at the San Diego base.

Sophomore Kelsey Hutchinson said she spent her month in San Diego, participating in exercises meant to provide a clearer picture of the responsibilities of a Naval officer.

"While you're at Notre Dame you don't get that much of a taste of the particulars of life in the Navy ... this gives everyone a taste of what future careers might be after graduation," Hutchinson said.

Hutchinson said she most enjoyed her Marine week rotation because the activities were incredibly realistic, beginning with exercises in a skeleton town using

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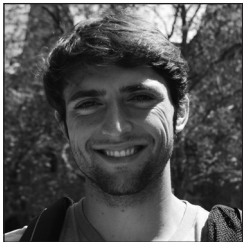
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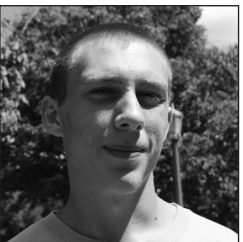
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A student flies through the air on a Euro Bungee trampoline August 25 at the B1 Block Party. The activity was a part of the Legend's-sponsored event, headlined by the bands Boys Like Girls and Breathe Carolina.

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ND vs. UAB

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Alumni Stadium
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ND vs. Santa Clara

Club studies hacking

By **JOHN CAMERON**
News Editor

Students who have fallen victim to a computer virus or identity theft before are all too aware of the importance of computer security. But a group of Notre Dame students is exploring the process of hacking to promote computer skills.

In the academic world, computer scientists and engineers study computer hacking to gain a better understanding of how to protect against it.

A new initiative by Notre Dame's Linux Users Club, a group focused on educating students about the open-source Linux operating system, is intended to encour-

"[Hacking] is about self-guided learning and learning a different way to look at things."

Jared Schneider
senior

age members to explore computer hacking.

Senior Jared Schneider, a computer science major in the club, is working on the initiative. He ultimately hopes for the club to compete in national hacking challenges, such as DEF CON, the preeminent

hacking convention held in Las Vegas every summer.

"The idea is to get everybody, no matter what [his or her] major or skill level, to the same point," he said. "Then from there, we get the ball rolling. We're years of dedication away from that."

Schneider found inspiration for the initiative from other schools' hacking clubs, especially Carnegie Mellon University's.

"Carnegie has this team, [Plaid Parliament of Pwning], that consecutively ranks [in the] top-ten at the hacking challenges," he said. "They got second at DEF CON with a team of 11 people. The first-place team had 80."

While Schneider doesn't have any hopes of the club sending a team to DEF CON in the near future, he would like to see them compete at some level.

"Usually there are qualifiers to the events," he said. "They're usually remote, so we could probably participate in one of those."

Schneider hopes the club will work toward a competitive skill level through the study of reverse engineering.

"When you code something, you put it into a form that only the computer can understand for the most part," he said. "Reverse engineering is like taking the cow out of a

hamburger. You're bringing out code that is unusable to anyone but the computer, and bringing that back into usable form."

He said many universities do not provide education in this area of computer science.

"A lot of people don't like to teach it because it's also a way to steal things," he said. "If Microsoft comes out with a great new program, reverse engineering is a way to go into its code and find out how it works, and that's where intellectual property issues come up."

The reverse-engineering initiative is putting a unique twist on the club's stated purpose, Schneider said.

"The idea of the club is basically to introduce people to Linux," he said. "It's about creating an environment for professors and students to work together ... There's a lot of untapped potential there."

Whether or not the club ever makes it to DEFCON, Schneider said the skills gained by competitive hacking training would benefit the club's members.

"[Hacking] is about self-guided learning and learning a different way to look at things," he said. "It's not about placing in competitions."

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SMC academic workshops begin

By **JILLIAN BARWICK**
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The Academic Skills & Strategies Workshop Series at Saint Mary's will open the year with two lectures, one for students interested stepping up their academic game and one for first-generation college students.

The academic skills programs will take place Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. The workshop intended for first-generation college students will be held Wednesday at 8 p.m. All of the functions will be held in the Academic Resource Center in Madaleva Hall.

Diane Fox, director of the Office for Student Success, said both workshops are meant to make students' lives easier.

"If I can give students strategies to be more effective and efficient in their studies, they will definitely be able to enjoy themselves when studying or playing," she said.

During the academic skills workshops, Fox will discuss topics ranging from empowerment to study strategies for different types of classes.

"I hope that students will become more confident, more aware, and more savvy," she said. "Two of the most important things to college students [are] doing well academically and

having fun. I believe one should never have to come at the expense of the other."

The program for first generation college students is the first of four to be held on Wednesdays at 8 p.m.

"The first-generation workshops are for any student who wants to come and is interested in the topic," Fox said. "But the new series is [truly] targeted for first-generation students."

By giving the first-generation students an outlet for success, Fox said she hopes they will be more willing to open up to other students.

"What a blessing to be the first in your family to attend and, hopefully, finish college," she said. "This is my way of trying to make their lives easier as well."

Fox said the office plans to hold academic strategies workshops throughout the semester. The programs are about 30 minutes long, and will be held in the same time and place as the first skills events.

"I consider it a privilege and a blessing to have my job," Fox said. "I love what I do, and I hope the students all know that they are always more than welcome to come and get help whenever they may need it."

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"Don't be afraid to disagree," he said. "I think one of the greatest values of an intelligent life is to disagree. At this point in your life, you're deciding how to come down on things, tough things like sex or tough things like honesty or tough things like intelligence or tough things like being able to stand up in front of the crowd and say, 'I don't believe that and here are my reasons why.' ... That's one reason I'm very proud of you guys, that you can stand up and say what you think."

In addition to giving advice, Hesburgh recounted a story of one of his most interesting experiences, which involved saying Mass at the South Pole. A Notre Dame graduate who had been assigned to take command of a group of researchers there asked Hesburgh to bless his mission remotely, but Hesburgh said he decided to do it in person instead.

"That day was the first Mass at sea on an icebreaker and the second Mass at the South Pole," he said.

Even after traveling the world, Hesburgh said Notre Dame is still the closest place to his heart.

"Notre Dame is the best Catholic university, not just in the world today, but ever," he said.

Hesburgh said he prays for all Notre Dame students daily and is

confident the residents of Zahm in particular will lead extraordinary lives.

After his speech, the men of Zahm dubbed Hesburgh an "honorary Zahmbie," gifting him with a dorm t-shirt, water bottle, bumper sticker and key to the residence hall.

Freshman Christian Metzler said meeting Hesburgh was a special moment for him.

"Fr. Hesburgh is a legend here at Notre Dame, and you hear great things about him all the time, and the fact that we were able to get to meet him and [make him] an honorary Zahmbie really means a lot, even as a freshman," Metzler said. "I'm blessed that we had this opportunity to meet him and hear what he had to say. We could've listened to him for hours."

Junior John Brahier said Hesburgh's speech was incredibly powerful.

"The words of wisdom he was able to share with us will definitely be in our hearts for a long time," Brahier said. "They will definitely inspire us to do bigger and better things in the coming years, and we're really excited about that future."

Senior Peter Flores said the experience of smoking cigars with Hesburgh is unforgettable.

"Fr. Ted is known for smoking a cigar or two, and there's no greater bonding experience among men than smoking a cigar with a



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Zahm House rector Scott Opperman lights a cigar for University President Emeritus Fr. Theodore Hesburgh on Sunday outside of the Theodore M. Hesburgh Library.

guy you look up to," Flores said.

Metzler said he looks forward to the positive results that will come of the "Hesburgh Challenge."

"We're really looking to become more inclusive," Metzler said. "It's a huge thing, especially at a Catholic university, to accept everyone, and in a residence system where it's all random. Even if you don't have the same views as someone, respect what their views are and teach them about your views and learn from other

people."

Senior Zahm resident assistant Luke Peters said he would take the "Hesburgh Challenge" very seriously.

"I hope to live out the 'Hesburgh Challenge' by taking it upon myself to take the extra effort to stand for what Fr. Hesburgh did in his life, with that same spirit of inclusion, strong morals and character which he was able to carry out through his time at the University and what he still stands for today," Peters

said.

Flores, also a resident assistant, said he hopes the "Hesburgh Challenge" will foster a familial atmosphere in Zahm.

"Families don't always get along," Flores said. "Families aren't always on the same page. But families love each other and stick with each other. That's the real challenge, to make the Notre Dame family ... alive."

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paintball bullets.

"They took us out to this place where they had built a skeleton town, gave us M-16s that had paintballs instead of bullets, and taught us how to clear a building, work as a fire team in a squad and other exercises like that," Hutchinson said. "Then, on Friday we hiked out to this building and inside the building they had literally built Afghanistan... they even had Afghan people [inside the town] working as actors."

Hutchinson said the exercise gave soldiers and midshipmen the chance to participate in a firefight against Afghan forces before they face actual fighting in Afghanistan.

"They sent our squad in with a mission and showed us the outline of the building before we went into the building," Hutchinson said. "We had to talk to the townspeople, get information and then someone started shooting."

Hutchinson said she would like to switch into the marine option, but overall she was grateful for the chance to learn more about the different communities in the Navy.

"We hadn't even signed our contracts yet, but they went through so much to give us this training and it really was a lot of fun," Hutchinson said. "I'm really, really grateful for all these opportunities."

After sophomore year, Navy option midshipmen attend an enlisted cruise, while Marine option midshipmen study mountain

warfare.

Junior Michael Falvey studied mountain warfare in Bridgeport, Calif., with the other marine options, where he said he learned the general principles of mountain warfare and military survival.

"There's a good amount of hiking because you're up in the mountains ... your daily schedule normally consists of a couple of evolutions [significant events of the day], with one big evolution each day," Falvey said. "The evolutions range from rappelling and climbing rock faces to taking classes on survival like building a hut or purifying water."

Falvey said he most enjoyed learning how to tie knots and snare game.

"I personally liked the skinning and cleaning small game after catching them with snares," Falvey said. "I also enjoyed tying knots... it's not something you're taught, previously it was only glossed over, but once you know how to make a good knot it is an incredibly useful skill."

Mountain warfare aims to accomplish entirely different objectives for the Marine options than the summer cruises for the rest of the midshipmen, Falvey said.

"Mountain warfare wasn't that difficult, but its goal was to accomplish something totally different than what the Navy cruises seek to accomplish," Falvey said. "Navy cruises are orientations to what active duty life is like in the naval fleet, while mountain warfare is more about teaching skills that can be utilized once in the Marine Corps."

Junior Kendall Johnson, a Navy

option midshipman, said she spent her enlisted cruise on board the U.S.S. Roosevelt, a destroyer based in Mayport, Fla.

"I was on my summer cruise for a month: I was in port for two weeks of that time, and then we went underway for ten days ... after that we came into port in Key West, where I stayed for three days before coming straight back to school," Johnson said.

After she arrived on the ship, Johnson said she was assigned to a running mate, an enlisted sailor that she shadowed.

"Most of the times the running mates were pretty relaxed with us and allowed us to explore the rest of the ship so that we could spend time in each department, not just the department of our running mates," she said.

She said this freedom to explore the ship was one of her favorite parts of the trip.

"I was in the weapons department, and my guy was a CWIS technician, which means he took care of the huge guns on the front and back of the destroyer that look like R2-D2," Johnson said. "We did a lot of maintenance, but when we actually got to shoot them it was fun."

Johnson said the most valuable learning experience was realizing just how hard the enlisted sailors work.

"Spending time with the enlisted people was so eye-opening; it was incredible to see the amount of work that they put in and the sacrifices that they make," Johnson said. "They make it through it all without having a bad attitude ... you can't



Photo courtesy of Kendall Johnson

Kendall Johnson looks through the sight of a gun aboard the U.S.S. Roosevelt. Johnson spent part of the summer aboard the destroyer.

understand what they do unless you actually get in there, get your hands dirty and do it with them."

After junior year, Navy options spend time on an officer cruise, where midshipmen shadow an officer and learn his or her daily duties. Marine options attend Officer Candidate School, where candidates are screened to see if they possess the ability to be an officer in the Marine Corps.

Senior Quinn Kilpatrick, a Navy option, said he was based in Pearl Harbor for his officer cruise, which he spent shadowing the officer in charge of the combat systems and electronics on the U.S.S. Chafee.

"The guy that I shadowed was a really good guy, he was just about to leave the ship so he was turning over duties to his replacement and got to spend a little extra time taking me around the ship," Kilpatrick said. "Being with him was definitely the highlight, he was very good at getting me engaged in various activities around the ship."

These activities spanned a wide range, Kilpatrick said.

"I got to drive the ship when they were refueling it, toured

the helicopter hangar and got involved with the teams that board the pirate ships for drills," Kilpatrick said.

Kilpatrick said one of the most interesting parts of his time on the USS Chafee was being in Pearl Harbor for RIMPAC, an event planned by the US Navy that brings together forty foreign allies of the U.S. Navy to participate in "naval war games" every two years.

"It's about making sure we are still able to work together if the situation arose where that would be necessary," Kilpatrick said. "It was surprising, I didn't know we'd get a chance to participate ... meeting foreign navies, touring other ships and participating in exercises was pretty cool."

Kilpatrick said even though he would like to go into explosive ordnance disposal or aviation, he enjoyed experiencing a different part of the Navy.

"It was good training for learning how to work with enlisted people and experiencing the life of an officer," Kilpatrick said.

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"The crowd was lively and the atmosphere was intense," Fernandes said. "When Boys Like Girls went on the stage, the crowd erupted."

Fernandes said the atmosphere at the event was amazing, even though he did not particularly enjoy the music.

"When Boys Like Girls went on the stage, the crowd erupted."

Michael Fernandes
sophomore

"Everything from the food to the rock climbing wall and bungee jumps was awesome to have at the concert," Fernandes said.

He said the concert was a "perfect way" to kick off the new academic year.

"The B1 Block Party is always a highlight of the fall semester and is something I've been looking forward to all summer," Fernandes said.

Freshman Drew Vista was eager to experience his first B1 Block Party, and he said the event was exciting. Vista said Boys Like Girls worked the crowd well, but the excitement turned sour when the band referred to the audience as 'Indiana'. He said he, as

well as others who expressed their disapproval, thought Boys Like Girls was calling the school Indiana University instead of Notre Dame.

"People didn't like that so much," Vista said. "They could have called us out as 'Notre Dame.'"

Vista said he enjoyed the atmosphere of the event more than the actual music.

"I'm glad I went for the rock wall and the bungee jump, but not so much for the concert," he said.

Junior Kurt Beatty said the Block Party has gotten better every year since 2010.

"I wasn't particularly fond of the first concert when Guster played, so the quality of it this year was surprising," Beatty said. "While Breathe Carolina wouldn't be my first choice for an opening act, they did a good enough job of getting the crowd psyched for Boys Like Girls, who played a great concert."

As the concert progressed, Beatty said the anticipation for a surprise appearance by Taylor Swift grew quickly. The band recorded the song "Two Is Better Than One" with Swift for its 2009 album "Love Drunk."

"A lot of people showed up just hoping for the off chance that she'd be there," Beatty said.

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is within them is stronger than what's in their way," Lillig said.

The organization specializes in taking trips with wounded soldiers and physically and economically disadvantaged students.

Lillig said No Barriers, which was founded in 2003, typically run around 20 trips per year and has taken roughly 5,000 people on the expeditions.

Examples of past trips include mountain climbing experiences, cultural immersion trips and white-water rafting adventures.

"We just recently did a trip this summer with a mixed group of deaf students and hearing students," Lillig said. "We try and tailor the trip so there is really a breaking down of barriers that takes place between the deaf students and hearing students."

Although the students typically bond easily, Lillig said the challenge comes from learning a system of helping each other.

"Climbing a mountain is a dangerous thing," he said. "When you have a blind student, what you need to do is make sure those blind students are able to communicate and be communicated with by the sighted students that are helping them up the mountain."

For the 2009 climb in Mexico,

Lillig said bells were placed on the poles of the sighted students who were in front of the blind students. The blind students were able to follow the sound of the bells and hear exactly where they should walk.

Lillig said that particular trip was the most inspirational experience he has had with No Barriers.

"All the blind students made it to the top," he said. "I'm most proud of that fact."

Lillig, who has served as board president since the inception of No Barriers, said he became involved with the non-profit to help others realize the extent of what they can do in life, regardless of the abilities they were given.

"Regardless of who we're talking about, we're trying to get them to dig deeper, reach higher," he said.

At the end of the trips, Lillig said even the advantaged students typically tell him they learned more about themselves during the expedition than from any other experience.

"For them, it really takes that sort of ultimate gift of sharing and understanding what the challenge of being blind, and also the courage the blind students have as they approach this climb," he said.

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JAPAN

Anti-nuclear protesters pressure government

Associated Press

TOKYO — This is Japan's summer of discontent. Tens of thousands of protesters — the largest demonstrations the country has seen in decades — descend on Tokyo every Friday evening to shout anti-nuclear slogans at the prime minister's office. Many have never protested publicly before.

"I used to complain about this to my family but I realized that doesn't do any good," said Takeshi Tamura, a 67-year-old retired office worker. "So I came here to say this to his office. I don't know if we can make a difference but I had to do something, and at least it's a start."

The government's much-criticized handling of the Fukushima nuclear crisis has spawned a new breed of protesters in Japan. Drawn from the ranks of ordinary citizens rather than activists, they are a manifestation of a broader dissatisfaction with government and could create pressure for change in a political system that has long resisted it.

What started as relatively



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Protesters rally outside Japan's Parliament complex and call for an end to nuclear power in Japan on July 29.

small protests in April has swollen rapidly since the government decided to restart two of Japan's nuclear reactors in June, despite lingering safety fears after the meltdowns at the Fukushima Dai-ichi plant triggered by the March 2011 earthquake and tsunami.

As many as 20,000 people have gathered at the Friday rallies by unofficial police estimates, and organizers say the turnout has topped

100,000. Officials at the prime minister's office say their crowd estimate is "several tens of thousands." Either way, the two-hour demonstrations are the largest and most persistent since the 1960s, when violent student-led protests against a security alliance with the United States rocked Japan.

The protesters include office workers, families with children, young couples and retirees.

LIBYA

Interim Interior Minister resigns

Associated Press

TRIPOLI, Libya — Libya's interim interior minister resigned on Sunday after members of the newly-elected parliament accused his forces of neglect when attackers bulldozed a Sufi shrine and mosque while police stood by a day earlier.

Saturday's attack on the shrine was the latest in a string of assaults on Sufi places of worship, sparking fears of stewing sectarian troubles in a country that is still without a strong central government and largely without a functioning police or military.

The official Libyan news agency LANA reported that Fawzi Abdel-Al submitted his resignation to Prime Minister Abdurrahim el-Keib.

The spokesman for Libya's security services, Abdel-Moneim al-Hurr, said Sunday that the interior minister's resignation had been accepted by both the prime minister and parliament.

Adding to the tension, a security official told The Associated Press that after lawmakers spoke out against the security forces' inaction, Tripoli's police and militias who work together as part of a security committee

were ordered by their superiors to withdraw from the streets. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to release the information.

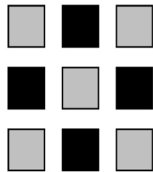
LANA also reported that the elected national assembly, or parliament, called upon the security committee to ignore orders to stop work and to instead continue "serving the homeland."

Witnesses and an Associated Press reporter said security forces were visibly absent from the streets of Tripoli on Sunday.

Late Sunday, security spokesman al-Hurr said that 17 people had been arrested in connection with the desecration of the Sufi shrine. He also denied that security forces were ordered off the streets.

The turmoil comes after attacks by ultraconservative Muslim hardliners against religious shrines across the country. Saturday's bulldozing of a Tripoli Sufi shrine and a mosque with tombs inside came a day after hardliners in the city of Zliten bulldozed a more than 500-year-old shrine and library. Similar attacks have taken place over the past months in other cities and at least twice before in Tripoli.

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Protesters stay peaceful prior to GOP convention

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — You can't see them. You can barely hear them over the din of the wind and rain swirling in the skies above from Tropical Storm Isaac. Protesters are here but it's highly unlikely they'll come close to crossing paths with Republicans for the presidential nominating convention.

Protesters are being kept blocks away and, so far, they've gathered in groups several dozen to a few hundred. But the worries of massive protests that might bring violence and a cacophony of chanting have been elusive.

With Isaac making its way northward toward the Gulf Coast, brushing Tampa Bay, the Republican National Convention has been pushed off to a later start. Protesters might also be staying away because of the storm, whose path and intensity has been difficult to predict. Isaac's outer bands were already bringing intermittent rain and gusts of wind but no downpours, and the usual August heat and humidity was being kept relatively at bay.

Sunday's protests ran the gamut from unionized labor and Occupy Wall Street to a hearty band of 30 who criticized presumptive GOP presidential nominee Mitt Romney for putting his dog Seamus in a crate atop his station wagon on a long-ago family vacation.

"If somebody is going to

"A lot of people were afraid to come out because of the approaching rain and thunder."

Sarah Kilker
protester

treat their animal inhumanely, how are they going to treat our country?" said Kim Swygert, 37, a law student from Tampa, who came with her Great Dane.

Several carried anti-Romney signs including one that read, "Don't roof rack me, bro."

Those who turned out said they were hoping for more demonstrators, but the lousy weather kept people away.

"A lot of people were afraid to come out because of the approaching rain and thunder," said Sarah Kilker, who was accompanied by a long-haired Chihuahua and a mixed chow and terrier.

The streets of Tampa didn't resemble St. Paul, Minn., in 2008, when thousands of protesters packed the city for the



Demonstrators march in Tampa, Fla., on Sunday. The Republican National Convention is set to start Tuesday.

last Republican convention. Some smashed cars, punctured tires and threw bottles in a confrontation with pepper-spray wielding police. Hundreds were arrested over a few days, including dozens of journalists. Authorities in Tampa say they learned from that convention and Congress allocated \$50 million for security.

A few hundred protesters braved the intermittent rain and wind at a park about a half-mile from the convention site of the Tampa Bay Times Forum. They were watching large blocks of ice that spelled out the words "middle class" melt, saying it represented the erosion of the middle class in America. The art installation was planned for Monday but moved up because of the weather.

Fifty-two-year-old Donald Butner says he's been sleeping at the Occupy-Tampa camp for a few months and that "we're here, baby, rain or shine. The weather is going to do what it is going to do."

Marchers chanted "we are the 99 percent" and carried homemade signs. The 99 percent refers to the group's message that most don't share in the wealth of America.

That message rang true for 52-year-old Tom Gaurapp and 54-year-old Cheryl Landecker from Freeport, Ill. Both worked for Sensata Technologies, owned by Bain Capital, in the city of some 25,000 people. They say 170 jobs there, including their own, were outsourced to China.

Gaurapp and Landecker said that just a few years ago, they never would have considered joining such a protest.

"But then again, we wouldn't have dreamed our jobs would have gone to China," Gaurapp said.

For months, protesters were

gearing up for scores of people to converge on Tampa the day before the convention began to showcase their laundry list of beefs and key messages.

Neither protesters nor the GOP, however, could foresee Tropical Storm Isaac, which is expected to become a dangerous Category 2 hurricane by the time it makes land over the northern Gulf Coast sometime late Tuesday or early Wednesday. Tampa won't bear the brunt, but winds, heavy rain and perhaps flooding are expected Monday.

Though jobs and uneven distribution of wealth were strong messages, those who did show up didn't seem to have a universal theme.

Some came to oppose just Mitt Romney as a candidate. Others didn't seem to care for Romney or President Barack Obama.

A more spirited but still tame protest of 500 to 1,000 people was held for about an hour in St. Petersburg, about 15 miles away, at the Republican kickoff party at Tropicana Field. The relations between protesters and police — who were on foot, bikes and horses — was amicable. One protester was spotted chatting with an officer under a palm tree about the track of Isaac.

Though protesters vow to stay put, if the weather threatens their safety or that of visitors on the streets, police officers will use public address systems and go person-to-person to warn them to leave, said Tampa Police Chief Jane Castor.

Castor said if "it becomes an issue of public safety, we will order people into shelters."

At least one arrest was made. A man that police said had a machete strapped to his leg was subdued after he resisted officers, according to the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office.

GOP adjusts to tropical storm

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — With Tropical Storm Isaac bearing down on the Gulf Coast, Republicans left open the possibility of bigger changes to Mitt Romney's already-shortened convention, mindful of political awkwardness in celebrating while severe weather threatens New Orleans on the anniversary of Hurricane Katrina.

"There's a weather event. We all know there's a weather event there," Russ Schriefer, Romney's chief planner, said Sunday when asked about a potential image problem. "We're obviously monitoring what is going on with the weather. Our concern is with those people in the path of the storm."

The decision about what to do next is fraught with political peril.

Romney is trying to balance celebrating his presidential nomination with being mindful of the ghost of Hurricane Katrina and the stain George W. Bush's handling of it left on the GOP. The tropical storm, which seemed likely to be upgraded to a hurricane, could strike the Gulf Coast nearly to the day of the seventh anniversary of Katrina.

After scrapping the convention's first day, planners late Sunday announced a three-day program and leaner agenda. But they wouldn't speculate whether the storm would force a second postponement or any additional changes.

"We're moving forward, but we are going to be nimble," Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus said.

The next few days will test Romney's ability to both present himself to the American people as a plausible alternative to President Barack Obama and to lead a party still smarting from the image hit it took in the aftermath of the 2005 Gulf Coast devastation.

Since then, Republicans have been so sensitive to the political danger around hurricanes — and the appearance of partying at a time of trouble — that they delayed the start of their national convention by a day in 2008 when Hurricane Gustav bore down on the Gulf, a full 1,200 miles away from where delegates were gathering in St. Paul, Minn.

Four years later, a storm again has delayed the start of the convention — and again is barreling toward New Orleans, the city that Katrina so badly damaged.

"You don't want to be having hoopla and dancing when you have the nation focused on tragedy and suffering," said Al Hoffman, a Republican from West Palm Beach and former

finance chairman of the RNC.

Memories of Katrina hung heavy over Tampa as Republican delegates traveled here to anoint the party's new standard-bearer. All over Florida — a critical battleground state — people were preparing for the worst. Homes and shops were boarded up in Key West. About 800 miles northwest in the Florida panhandle, the Wal-Mart in Destin, Fla., had sold out of bottled water.

In a conference call with reporters late Sunday, Schriefer sidestepped a question about the potentially problematic appearance of Republicans par-

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Al Hoffman
former RNC finance chairman

tying while a hurricane bore down on the very city that cast a pall over the last GOP administration.

Romney's team was sensitive to the comparison to the 2005 storm, which was a Category 5 hurricane. Isaac, still a tropical storm, was forecast to reach hurricane strength.

When asked about the optics, Charlie Black, a veteran GOP strategist and informal adviser to Romney, sharply noted that Romney played no role in the Bush administration's handling of the catastrophe.

"I don't recall Mitt Romney having anything to do with Katrina," said Black, also a senior adviser to McCain's campaign in 2008.

By Sunday afternoon, Tampa was cloud-covered and windy outside the hall where Romney is to accept the nomination Thursday night. Inside, tense Romney advisers huddled to figure out how to proceed.

"It's a mess all around and it's fraught with risk," said Sally Bradshaw, a Florida Republican and longtime senior aide to former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush. "It's not good for anybody — particularly the people impacted by the storm."

Weather was recognized as potential trouble when Republicans chose to hold their convention in Florida during hurricane season, a decision made well before Romney locked up the nomination.

Beyond the safety and image concerns, Isaac presents another wrinkle for Romney: It allows Obama to show leadership and flex the levers of his administration to help people bracing for a storm.

INSIDE COLUMN

Coming home



Kristen Durbin
News Editor

I'm pretty sure I've been dreaming for the past 14 months of my life. I've lived in three states that start with the letter I and two Spanish-speaking countries on opposite sides of the Atlantic. I traveled to nine countries during my three-and-a-half months in Spain last fall. I've seen such famed locales as the Eiffel Tower, Big Ben, the Colosseum, Notre Dame in Paris, the Sagrada Familia, Trafalgar Square, the David and the Sistine Chapel. I enjoyed a breakfast of beer and pretzels at the real Oktoberfest and visited the Guinness factory in Dublin. I swam in two oceans and two seas. I climbed a volcano and went waterfall-jumping in El Salvador this summer. I formed lasting relationships with the people I met in all of my temporary homes.

After globetrotting so extensively and living in a given place for no more than four months at a time, I'm constantly torn between "homes," always wanting to be wherever I'm not. When I'm at my childhood home in the sleepy Chicago suburbs, I ache for the sloped cobblestone streets of Toledo, Spain, and the majestic mountains of Idaho. I spent a good chunk of my summer in El Salvador wishing I could be back in my sweet home Chicago and longing to walk along the Rio Tajo in Toledo at sunset.

As I moved between Idaho and Illinois, Sevilla and San Salvador, I felt a constant void in my heart that varied in strength and depth depending on my feelings about the place I called "home" at the time. It wasn't until I got off the toll road and caught the first glimpse of Mary perched atop the golden dome above the tree line that I realized what I'd been missing all along.

Notre Dame, the place I've called home for most of the last three years, welcomed me back with open arms on a gorgeous summer day. Since I moved back to campus in frigid January after returning from abroad, I'd forgotten what it feels like to come back to Notre Dame ready to begin a new school year. But as familiar as that feeling of anxiety and excitement was, it felt strange to move into my townhouse instead of the Pangborn basement.

Now, with the first week of senior year under my belt, I finally feel at home again. Even though I'll probably spend most of the year trying to deny the fact that I graduate in May, I also have more travels to look forward to: fall break in San Diego, the Miami game at Soldier Field, a trip to Los Angeles with my fellow editors and spring break with my roommates.

But no matter where my life takes me in the next 14 months, I'll always remember there's no place like my home under the dome.

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What is a person?

Elliott Pearce
The Human Interest

Last year, Notre Dame Right to Life sold T-shirts that said, "A Person's A Person, No Matter How Small." Whatever we believe about abortion, I hope that this cute but profound Dr. Seuss quote made us ask an important question whenever we saw one of those shirts: What is a person?

Throughout history, many different groups have decided, for various reasons, that other groups of human beings were not persons. The Framers of the U.S. Constitution famously agreed to count slaves as three-fifths of a person at the Constitutional Convention in 1787. Men treated women as property, not persons, throughout most of human history; some societies continue this practice today. Countless religious and political organizations have denied personhood to the Jews. Even now, on Notre Dame's campus, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ) students and faculty and their allies are arguing that the University, by refusing to include sexual orientation in its non-discrimination clause, is treating LGBTQ individuals as second-class citizens.

That phrase, "second-class citizens," helps us understand what it means to be a person in the United States, by calling to mind the struggles that so many have endured to emerge from second-class citizenship to full participation in American society. To quote Thomas Jefferson, Americans believe that "all men are created equal," and are therefore "endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights," among which are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Over time, we have granted these rights to

African-Americans, women and even people of different sexual orientations. I think it is fair to say that today, we as Americans agree that every unique member of the human species is a person with the same unalienable rights that Thomas Jefferson first claimed for our nation's founders in 1776.

What happens when one group decides to infringe upon the personhood of others by denying them these rights? The Taliban violently repressed women and people of different religions and ethnicities within their own country. They feared and hated the United States as a place that elevated to full personhood the same groups they demoted. Therefore, they had no problem helping Al-Qaeda carry out deadly attacks on America and its allies around the world.

Why does injustice in one part of the globe, especially one as remote and seemingly insignificant as Afghanistan, threaten the rights and dignity of all persons? It has to do with the way humans think. We believe that our minds all work the same way, so that when we have correctly reasoned through a problem and come to a conclusion, our conclusion should be "right" for all other people as well. This is true only when we are actually right. As we all know, it is a common human error to come to an incorrect conclusion and believe it to be a self-evident truth. Therefore, when a powerful group latches onto an incorrect idea about who is and is not a person, human nature prompts the group to propagate this idea throughout its sphere of influence. The reach and sophistication of both modern media and weaponry has made even small and remote groups dangerous to everyone.

Confusion within our own society about the status of the human person

is even more dangerous than violence imposed from without. Though our foreign enemies can threaten us more at home than they could have in the past, their reach and power is still limited. Ideas about the human person that we come up with ourselves, however, can be quickly implemented through the democratic process.

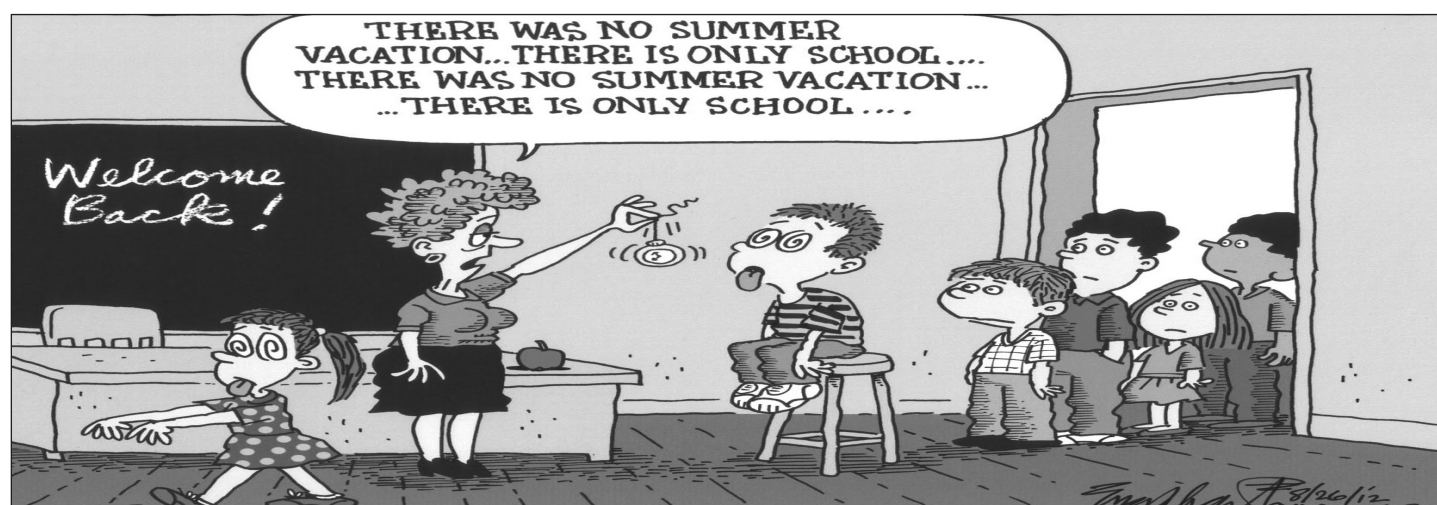
Furious debates are now raging both in the pages of The Observer and in media forums across the country about possibly grievous offenses against the rights of human persons. Pro-life activists argue that the legalization of abortion has allowed Americans to unwittingly kill over 40 million innocent children, while their pro-choice opponents retort that banning abortion would deny women an essential liberty. Supporters of gay rights argue the statutes that 29 states have passed to ban gay marriage deny gays the inalienable right of the pursuit of happiness; opponents of gay marriage see these statutes as safeguards for their own way of life and for the children that they believe do best in traditional families.

I still maintain that we all agree that a person is a unique member of the human species with inalienable rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. What counts as a unique member of the human species, though? What is liberty, and what is happiness? These are issues upon which we do not agree. Through careful and correct reasoning, we may be able to come to conclusions that are true for everyone. Let us start this discussion immediately — "justice everywhere" is at stake.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book."

Groucho Marx
U.S. comedian

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LETTER

Feedback for the 4 to 5 Movement

Welcome back from the 4 to 5 Movement!

We, the co-presidents of the Progressive Student Alliance (PSA), would like to welcome everyone to campus for the beginning of the semester. Last fall, PSA initiated the 4 to 5 Movement in an effort to address the need for greater inclusion on campus for members of the community who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGTBQ) and their allies. In the spring of 2012, members of the 4 to 5 Movement sparked a legitimate conversation, bringing the topics of sexual orientation and gender identity into the mainstream discourse on campus. We were able to foster an environment that welcomed this discussion, as well as one in which allies were not afraid to express their support.

The 4 to 5 Movement and those involved remain wholeheartedly committed to the goals with which we set out to achieve in October of 2011 — read more on our website, 4to5Movement.org. We are committed to creating a truly inclusive environment on campus for

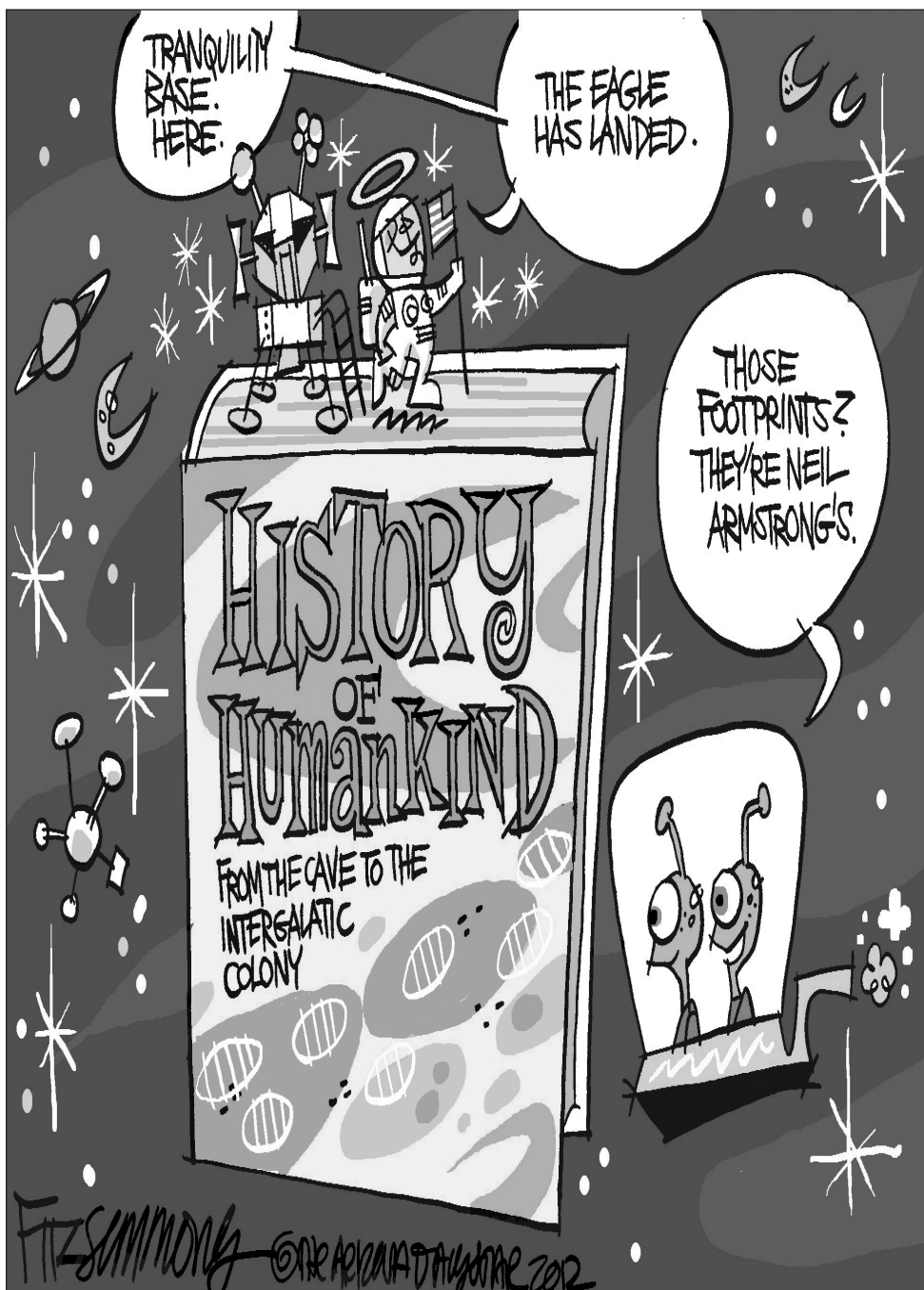
members of the community who identify as LGBTQ. We understand that the common good of our University and her students commands a respect for the fundamental dignity of the human person. We encourage open, honest and respectful dialogue, especially now as we await a decision from Student Affairs on the recognition of our gay-straight alliance, AllianceND.

As we approach our one-year anniversary, we are entering an exciting time for the future of inclusion at Notre Dame. Feedback from all members of the community is essential. We are shaping this future together, and your voice matters.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



UWIRE

Student newspapers must remain in hands of students

Oklahoma Daily Editorial Board

Oklahoma Daily

When defining The Daily for readers, we often describe ourselves as independent, student-run and student-led. In fact, our very masthead reads, “The University of Oklahoma’s independent student voice since 1916.”

But rarely do we have the opportunity to examine what that means and why it is so important that control of The Daily remain in student hands.

Wednesday brought such an opportunity, when word spread that the editors and senior staff of The Red & Black, U. Georgia’s independent student newspaper, had walked out of the newsroom following the resignation of the editor-in-chief.

The reason for the mass exodus? Changes to the paper’s structure planned by a professional board of directors that would have given final say over the paper’s content to non-students, stripping students of editorial control.

A draft of a memo outlining some of the changes was released by the former staff of The Red & Black. It showed that the new position of “editorial director” now would have prior review and veto power over all content published in print and online.

Further, the director would be expected to ensure the content of the paper fit expectations laid out by the board of directors — more “good” stories about student achievements or university programming and fewer “bad” stories about people or organizations behaving illegally or unethically.

This kind of control and content-shaping from non-students certainly would make The Red & Black no longer a student publication. Worse, it would strip the paper of its ability to fulfill its central purpose: to keep its audience informed about the truth of what is happening at the university.

That is why student control and independence from university meddling is so important to student media. Sometimes the truth includes stories about people or groups doing bad things. Sometimes the truth includes information the university would rather keep quiet. Sometimes the truth leads to serious repercussions.

And it is during those times when

the press, whether professional or student, must be free from the interests and control of those who would keep that information from the public.

Bringing that information to you is, after all, one of the most important reasons a free press exists.

Yes, we keep you informed about how the football team is doing this season and how new campus policies will affect your daily life. That is an incredibly important part of what we do and certainly our most practical function.

But our other role — to be watchdogs, the ones who keep track of those in power and ensure they are following the rules and telling the truth — that role enables a free society to function.

On a smaller scale, it allows you to keep track of the people you trust with your education, tuition and reputation.

So the staff of The Red & Black did not walk away from their publication because they didn’t get their way or because they couldn’t handle change. They did it for the same reason freedom of the press is protected in the First Amendment: Because where there is oversight, interference and editorial control, the press is unable to freely and without bias hold those in power accountable to the people they serve.

Though the board of directors of The Red & Black has met with the former editors and staffers, the statement the board released Thursday showed no signs of remorse or backing down.

For now, the students who left The Red & Black have affirmed through their Twitter, “We are committed to providing a student newspaper that is student-written, student-sourced, student-designed and student-approved.”

We stand behind that commitment and join them in reminding universities across the nation, including our own, that as a source of student power, student press should be created for students and controlled by students.

So that scandals will not go undiscovered, truths will not be hidden behind spin and student voices will not be silenced.

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BOYS LIKE B1



By **CLAIRE STEPHENS**
Scene Writer

After a quiet start with live music from student bands and artists, B1 Block Party headliner Boys Like Girls and opening act Breathe Carolina took the stage to give a musically entertaining and fun show. Though this year's block party was not as visually stunning compared to acts in years past, neither band needed anything more than their good music and engaging personalities to put on a great show.

This year's festivities included a Euro Bungee, rock wall climbing, caricatures, henna tattoos, corn hole, food vendors and a beer garden. Even before the bands took the stage, a steady stream of infectious dance remixes gave the event an energizing atmosphere.

Breathe Carolina blasted into their first set with little warning, jerking the audience into their rocking, electronic style. The band served as a great opener for Boys Like Girls with their catchy melodies and similar rock sound infused with harder,

edgier electronic music. The dubstep-esque sound gave the block party a dance-friendly vibe much like last year's Girl Talk show. At quieter or a capella moments in the music, the band even surpassed expectations with strong vocals and harmonies behind their loud dance rock.

The contrast between the performance of lead members Kyle Even and David Schmitt and the band's live members matched their blend of rock and electronic music. Even's energetic presence and animated use of the stage stole the show. Even engaged the audience with his motion, the effort he put into his performance and his time spent down amongst the audience dancing and jumping around in the crowd.

Breathe Carolina proved to be enthusiastic and exciting live musicians for pop, rock, and dubstep fans and excelled at putting their personality into their music. The band ended with their current Top-40

hit "Blackout," finishing with spectacular, seizure-inducing black lights and incredible motion and energy that spread to the audience.

The impatient crowd was instantly recharged from the long break between bands when Boys Like Girls took the stage with the popular breakout hit, "The Great Escape." Though lead singer Martin Johnson did not run across the stage like Even did, he kept the performance personal and exciting by frequently interacting with the audience. Johnson flattered the enthusiastic female fans in the audience, asked the crowd where the band should go out after the show, helped lead the "We are ND" chant that broke out between songs, threw water bottles into the crowd and had a student come on stage to sing the Taylor Swift harmony for the duet "Two is Better Than One."

The power-pop band played favorites from their first album, as well as singles from their second album and a few from their new unreleased album as well. Though they focused more on their louder, rocking pop-punk songs, some of their more intimate, quieter songs kept the audience entertained. The band proved to be just as good live as in their

recorded performances. Vocally they were even better, adding harmonies and complexity to the pop melodies found in their albums. The embellishment created an experience worth standing in the sweaty crowd.

Boys Like Girls closed with finished with "Love Drunk," a hit from their album of the same name. Johnson teased the audience by stopping the song before the anticipated refrain and insisting everyone put their cameras away and truly experience their music. They finished with high enthusiasm that was reciprocated by the students, especially when Johnson jumped down between the barriers to run between the crowd and take photos with fans until forced to leave.

Though the Notre Dame Block Party may not be the biggest venue Breathe Carolina or Boys Like Girls have played at, they made their performances fun and memorable by engaging with the crowd, playing great music, refusing to limit themselves to the stage and giving all their energy to their loyal fans.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

Boston and L.A. shake up baseball



Mike Monaco
Sports Writer

For years, the Boston Red Sox were a free-spending organization, routinely totaling the second-highest payroll in all of baseball. There were high expectations from the New England fan base to be a World Series contender year in and year out.

Recently, the Los Angeles Dodgers were a middle-of-the-pack team in terms of payroll, especially given the financial problems of since-deposed owner Frank McCourt. The squad was similarly mediocre, hovering around the .500 mark for much of the past six seasons.

But with this weekend's blockbuster deal — which sent Adrian Gonzalez, Josh Beckett, Carl Crawford, Nick Punto and about \$11 million to Los Angeles in exchange for James Loney and four prospects — each team is headed in a markedly different direction. In fact, the Dodgers are going about things the way the Red Sox did as recently as two off-seasons ago, when Boston eschewed the tenets of prospect development in favor of big-name trades and expensive free-agent signings. The Dodgers, led by a new ownership group with deep pockets, are willing to assume the bad contracts of former stars in the hope of making a World Series run.

Meanwhile, the Red Sox are admitting defeat; rookie general manager Ben Cherington is acknowledging the supposed dream team constructed by former GM Theo Epstein was a failure. Now, with significant dollars coming off the books, Cherington can go about building his team in a more fiscally conservative manner.

Here's a closer look at the trade:

The Dodgers pay a steep price

When the new ownership group led by former Los Angeles Lakers star Magic Johnson took over the Dodgers, increased spending was expected. You don't buy a professional sports franchise for a record \$2 billion to be cheapskates. And Magic and company got started right away, making a slew of trade deadline deals for high-priced veterans including Shane Victorino, Hanley Ramirez and Joe Blanton.

At first this spending was exciting and expected. The Dodgers knew they could spend with a massive new

television deal on the way. But this most recent trade begs the question of a spending limit. Do the Dodgers have one? Can they really afford to assume the \$262.5 million that Gonzalez, Beckett, Crawford and Punto are owed past this season?

Even if they can, they paid a steep price. Usually, when one team sells off an underperforming star in a salary dump, the other trading team is not expected to get a strong return of prospects. Yet the Dodgers inexplicably gave up two high-upside pitching prospects in Allen Webster and Rubby De La Rosa, as well as three other players that are capable of contributing at the major league level, in addition to the quarter-billion dollars in payroll they're assuming beyond this year.

The Red Sox clear house and the books

On the surface, giving up Gonzalez, Beckett and Crawford may seem like a lot. After all, they have made a combined 11 All-Star teams. But upon closer review, the deal seems like a huge win for the Sox. Beckett was widely viewed as a clubhouse problem in Boston, while Crawford and Gonzalez failed to live up to the massive expectations levied upon them two off-seasons ago when they signed with the Red Sox.

Boston now has greater financial flexibility, as well as two pitching prospects with high ceilings. It seems that Cherington has learned from the failed moves of Epstein, and is ready to build his team in a proper fashion.

As is the case with most trades, it will take a few years until we can truly analyze this transaction and anoint a winner and a loser. Maybe Carl Crawford finds his Tampa Bay Rays form and maybe Josh Beckett pitches like he is in the 2003 World Series again. Then again, maybe at ages 31 and 32, respectively, they are what they are: overpriced veterans.

The truth is, we don't know. For now, the Dodgers will try to make a World Series run with Boston's mistakes, and the Red Sox will happily oblige.

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MLB

Marlins defeat Dodgers 6-2

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Rob Brantly gave Miami the lead for good with his first major league home run, and the Marlins also got long balls from Giancarlo Stanton, Jose Reyes and Carlos Lee to beat the revamped Los Angeles Dodgers 6-2 on Sunday in the finale of an 11-game road trip.

Mark Buehrle (12-11) won his third straight start, allowing a run and six hits in 5 2-3 innings with four strikeouts and three walks. He escaped a bases-loaded jam in the fifth by retiring Hanley Ramirez on a popup and Andre Ethier on a grounder with the Marlins holding a 3-1 lead.

Ethier singled home a run in the seventh, but was called out for interference moments later after making incidental contact with Lee at first base on a popup by Luis Cruz that was dropped by catcher Brantly just inside the first base line. Cruz, sent back to the plate on the dead ball following a lengthy discussion among the umpires, flied out to end the inning.

The Marlins made it 4-2 in the eighth when Ramirez misplayed Bryan Petersen's two-out grounder to shortstop with the bases loaded for an error. Steve Cishek retired new Dodgers slugger Adrian Gonzalez with the bases loaded to end the eighth, then pitched a hitless ninth to nail down his 11th save in 14 chances after Reyes and Lee homered back-to-back against rookie Shawn Tolleson in the top of the inning.

Dodgers right-hander



AP

The Dodgers' Matt Treanor, left, is tagged out at second base by Miami Marlins shortstop Jose Reyes on Sunday in Los Angeles.

Aaron Harang (9-8) allowed three runs and six hits in 5 1-3 innings. He struck out four.

Stanton, who made Dodger Stadium his personal launching pad this weekend during his third trip to Chavez Ravine in three seasons with the Marlins, homered for the third time in as many games when he drove a first-pitch fastball to center with two outs in the fourth to tie the score 1-all.

Stanton had eight home runs during the Marlins' 5-6 trip, raising his season total to 29. The previous club record during a road trip was six, by Miguel Cabrera (10 games), Mike Lowell (12 games) and Preston Wilson (13 games).

Brantly, playing in his seventh big league game following his promotion from Triple-A New Orleans on Aug. 13, put the Marlins ahead to stay in the fifth with another first-pitch homer, this one into the pavilion seats following a leadoff single by Donovan Solano. It was the 14th allowed

by Harang, who gave up an average of 24.9 home runs over the previous eight seasons — including 35 in 2008 with Cincinnati.

Less than 24 hours after watching teammate Josh Johnson throw 45 pitches in the first inning of an 8-2 loss, Buehrle used up 31 of his 111 pitches to get out of the opening frame. The fast-working left-hander struck out three batters in the inning, but also gave up an RBI single by Gonzalez, who hit a three-run homer in his first plate appearance with the Dodgers following Saturday's nine-player trade with Boston.

Ethier was called out on strikes by Tony Randazzo in the first, after hitting safely in each of his previous 10 plate appearances, and ended up tied with Ed Konetchy for the franchise record for consecutive at-bats with a hit. Konetchy did it with the 1919 Brooklyn Robins, who didn't change their name to "Dodgers" until 1932.

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Let her go, let somebody else lay at her feet." Have you seen my heart, Have you seen how it bleeds?

And the nights are so long, baby, Out here in the deep. The tick, ticking of hours, lonely. I hear the alarm I used to hear when she would sleep in my arms. But "better sense" says...

"Hey hey, turn the record over. Hey hey, and I'll see you on the flip side. There you go, let somebody else lay at her feet."

And all my friends say, "Hey hey, turn the record over. Hey hey, and I'll see you on the flip side. There you go, turn the key and engine over.

Let her go, let somebody else lay at her feet." Where you used to be... here with me.

There are some really great things in this world. But nothing — absolutely nothing — compares to college football. Five days.

Greetings to

PGA

Watney rallies to win The Barclays at Bethpage

Associated Press

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. — Even after a year that didn't come close to his expectations, Nick Watney wasn't about to give up on his season.

Amazing how one week changed his outlook in so many ways.

He beat one of the strongest fields of the year at The Barclays, on the tough track of Bethpage Black. Winning the opening playoff event for the FedEx Cup guarantees him a good shot at the \$10 million prize. And suddenly, playing in the Ryder Cup becomes a lot more realistic.

That all came into play Sunday when Watney didn't miss a green until the 16th hole, turned a two-shot deficit against Sergio Garcia into a three-shot lead, overcame a trio of three-putt bogeys with clutch birdies, and closed with a 2-under 69 for a three-shot victory.

"It's been not quite the year I wanted," Watney said. "But this really makes it all forgotten. Winning a tournament is hard, but winning out here and against this field was very, very difficult. I'm kind of still on a high right now."

U.S. captain Davis Love III has a lot more choices for his four wild-card selections next

week.

Watney won by three shots over Brandt Snedeker, who already was part of the discussion as a potential pick. Snedeker, a winner in San Diego and a contender in the British Open, battled to the end and made big putts on the last two holes for a 1-under 70 to finish alone in second.

Dustin Johnson, also under consideration as a pick, shot 68 and tied for third with Garcia, whose bogey on the final hole gave him a 75.

Not even Watney thought he was worthy of being picked for the Ryder Cup going into the week.

"I'm thinking much more now than I was coming in," he said. "Coming in here, I didn't deserve to be in the conversation because I had not played my way in. Someone told me that Davis said he wanted a hot player, and we still have a week to go. But like I said, I'd love to be on the team. But I'm not really concerned with it just because it's out of my control."

Love will announce his picks after the second playoff event, the Deutsche Bank Championship, which ends on Labor Day. Steve Stricker and Jim Furyk are likely to be two of those picks, and the other two suddenly are wide open.

"Ryder Cup is definitely on

my mind," Snedeker said. "But I'm not letting it affect the way I play. Try to win every golf tournament. It gives me more motivation to do it, and if I do that, I know I will make the decision easy for them."

"Davis has an extremely difficult choice with a bunch of guys who did not play well enough over the last two years to be on the team. You can't go wrong with any of them. I think that it's certainly helped everybody who played well this week."

Watney, who won for the fifth time in his career, finished on 10-under 278.

In what amounted to a duel with Garcia for so much of the day, Watney fell two shots behind after he three-putted for bogey on the fifth hole and Garcia made a 40-footer for birdie on the next hole. Garcia, going for his second straight PGA Tour win, never had much of a chance after that.

"I hit a couple bad shots at the wrong moments," Garcia said. "And unfortunately, I just wasn't feeling comfortable."

Watney two-putted for birdie on the seventh. On the par-3 eighth, Garcia scrambled for bogey from the bunker, while Watney holed a bending, 30-foot birdie putt to take his first lead of the day. Another two-shot swing followed on the



Nick Watney holds the trophy after winning The Barclays on Sunday. Watney defeated Brandt Snedeker by three strokes.

10th, when Garcia three-putted and Watney hit a beautiful approach to 4 feet for birdie.

Both were sloppy on the back nine, but Watney hit all the right shots and seized control for good with a 10-foot birdie putt on the 14th.

"I made more putts than I made all year," Watney said.

He credits that to some tips from Darrell Kestner, the respected club pro at nearby Deepdale, a lesson set up by a friend. Kestner worked on his setup, mainly keeping Watney from leaning too far back on his heels.

"It paid off," Watney said.

Tiger Woods, six shots behind at the start of the day, never made a move. He alternated between bogeys and birdies until the sixth hole, and his round imploded on the back nine with a three-putt double bogey on the 12th, a poor wedge that led to bogey on the par-5 13th, and a tee shot on the par-3 14th that sailed over the green and one-hopped against the gallery. He closed with a 76 and tied for 38th.

Woods left without speaking to CBS Sports or any other media. It was this third 72-hole tournament over par this year, the other two coming at majors.

Bethpage Black didn't feel like one on Sunday.

After a third round in which several players felt the greens were close to dead and nearly impossible to putt, there was plenty of water on them overnight. High scores were more a product of bad play, and it was difficult for anyone to make up too much ground because conditions were comparable throughout the day.

And while it was effectively a two-man race for much of the day, there was plenty at stake in the FedEx Cup.

Only the top 100 players advance to the Deutsche Bank for the second of four playoff events. The biggest move belonged to Graham DeLaet of Canada, who started the week at No. 106 and was right on the bubble going into the final round.

It turned out way better than DeLaet could have imagined. Despite back-to-back bogeys on the front nine, he answered with four birdies on his next seven holes, and then holed out with on the 15th for eagle with a 9-iron from 161 yards. He closed with two birdies for a Sunday-best 65.

Not only did he advance, DeLaet moved up 62 spots to No. 44 and should be safe for the next two tournaments.

"I guess a lot of people think there's too much volatility in it, but it was in my favor," DeLaet said. "If you can have one really good event, you can catapult yourself up. And now I feel I have a chance to get into the Tour Championship, where this morning I was just hoping to play next week."

It was a good day for another Canadian — David Hearn. Playing with Woods, he closed with a 71 and moved from No. 108 to No. 67. The other four from outside the top 100 who moved in were Jonas Blixt, Tommy Gainey and Jason Day, who closed with a 66.

The odd man out was John Mallinger, who started the week at No. 88 and missed the cut. He became the highest-seeded player to fail to advance since this FedEx Cup playoff system began in 2007.

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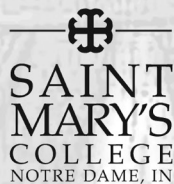
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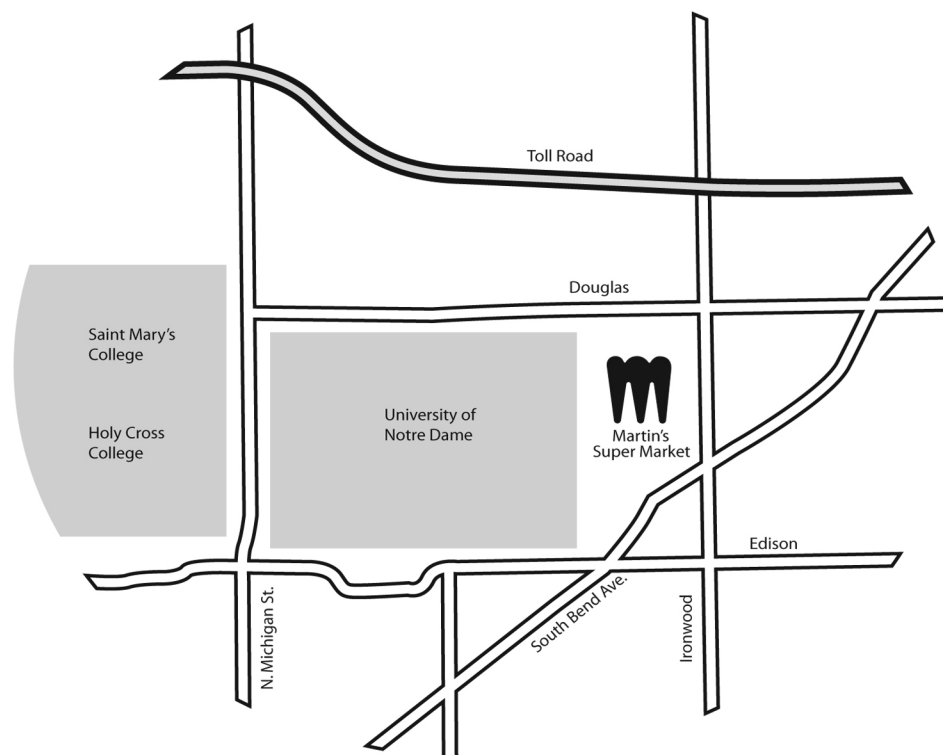
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Knee injury sidelines DeCastro

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — The Pittsburgh Steelers spent much of the offseason trying to build an offensive line that could keep franchise quarterback Ben Roethlisberger upright — and healthy — for an entire year.

In one squeamish sequence on Saturday night, the Steelers were forced to move on to Plan B.

Pittsburgh lost rookie guard David DeCastro to a gruesome right knee injury in the first quarter of an otherwise dominant 38-7 preseason win over the Buffalo Bills. The 24th overall pick in April's NFL Draft was carted off the field with what coach Mike Tomlin termed a "potentially severe" injury.

DeCastro underwent an MRI on Sunday and while the team declined comment, it was obvious to his teammates he will be gone for an extended period of time.

"He was going to start for us," linebacker Lawrence Timmons said. "I don't know the outcome. It doesn't sound like it's good."

ESPN reported DeCastro dislocated his kneecap and tore his medial collateral ligament but did not tear his anterior cruciate ligament, which would have ended his season.

The Steelers could place DeCastro on injured reserve — shelving him for the year — or see how his knee responds to treatment. Either way, he'll be out for the foreseeable future.

It's a major blow to a unit that Pittsburgh viewed as an issue after Roethlisberger hobbled his way through the final month of the 2011 season behind a line that struggled protecting him. The Steelers gave up 42 sacks — tied for ninth-most in the league — and Roethlisberger dealt with a series of health issues to his left leg after spraining his foot in a loss to Houston in early October.

DeCastro and fellow rookie Mike Adams — taken in the second round — were supposed to join All-Pro center Maurkice Pouncey and second-year tackle Marcus Gilbert as the core of one of the youngest and most highly touted offensive lines in the league. Instead, Adams is going through some very public growing pains and DeCastro — an All-American at Stanford while blocking for quarterback Andrew Luck — will spend an indefinite period in street clothes.

Pittsburgh will likely turn to veteran Ramon Foster to fill in at guard. It's a return to the patchwork effort the Steelers have used in the past with mixed results.

A year ago, Max Starks was signed off the street a month into the season to try and hold things together. He's at it again this season, signing just before training camp as insurance in case Adams had trouble. Starks, who underwent offseason knee surgery, played well while protecting Roethlisberger's blind side against the Bills and is optimistic even with DeCastro out the line will be effective.

"We've been through this before. It's not like this is something brand new and you've had the same five starters for three years and nobody's had any reps," Starks said. "Our group is used to turnover and position flexibility."

The line will need it with the season opener against Denver two weeks away in a rematch of the Broncos' overtime upset in the wild-card round of last season's playoffs.

The Steelers have insisted they've moved on, though there appeared to be a bit of a hangover by the starters during the first two preseason games. The offense, in the midst of a sea change under new offensive coordinator Todd Haley, finally got on track against Buffalo even with DeCastro sidelined.

Roethlisberger completed 17 of 24 passes for 169 yards and a touchdown, the majority of the yards coming on a brilliant 98-yard drive in the final 2 minutes of the half. The quarterback missed on just one of eight pass attempts during that drive, which culminated in a 6-yard scoring strike to Antonio Brown.

"I just started calling my own plays," Roethlisberger. "We went no huddle and up-tempo and we were throwing the ball."

And throwing it downfield. Pittsburgh spent the first two preseason games working exclusively on the short passing game. Though the Steelers completed 57-yard touchdown passes in both games, they were nothing more than long handoffs that turned into big gains.

A 33-yard pass to running back Jonathan Dwyer kick-started the long drive after a penalty backed the Steelers up to their own 1-yard line. Brown, a third-year wideout, was arguably Roethlisberger's favorite target at the end of last season and he has thrived in Mike Wallace's absence.

Wallace, a Pro Bowler last year, is a restricted free agent who has yet to sign his one-year tender. He's expected to return sometime this week, though he'll find himself playing catch-up on an offense that showed against the Bills it could move the ball without him.

NFL



AP

Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson throws a pass during a preseason game against the Kansas City Chiefs last Friday. Wilson was named the starting quarterback for Seattle on Sunday.

Wilson wins starting QB job for Seahawks

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Pete Carroll and John Schneider were overjoyed during the April NFL draft when the Seattle Seahawks were able to grab Russell Wilson in the third round.

Even they couldn't anticipate that Wilson would be the Seahawks' Week 1 starter.

Carroll announced Sunday night that the undersized, but highly successful rookie quarterback from Wisconsin will be the starter when the Seahawks open the regular season on Sept. 9 at Arizona. Wilson beat out Matt Flynn and Tarvaris Jackson — in the process of being traded to Buffalo — for the starting gig.

"It's been a very exciting competition that has gone on and Russell has taken full advantage of his opportunities and has done everything that we have asked for on the field and more than what you guys could know off the field in meeting rooms and with our players and how he's represented. He's earned this job," Carroll said on a conference call Sunday night. "It was a legitimate competition as we said from the beginning and with the opportunity he's taken advantage of he deserves to start."

Wilson has been a dynamic star during the preseason. For the first two weeks, his performance came against backups during the second halves of victories over Tennessee and Denver.

But what Wilson displayed

during those two halves were enough for Carroll to give him the start Friday night against Kansas City. Wilson's response: 13-of-19 passing for 185 yards, two touchdowns and a passer rating of 134.8. And if he didn't show enough with his arm, Wilson added another 58 yards rushing.

His total preseason numbers thus far are eye-popping: 35 of 52 (67.3 percent) for 464 yards, five touchdowns and a league-leading 119.4 QB rating. Wilson's only preseason mistake was throwing a careless end zone interception against Tennessee.

Otherwise, Wilson's been almost perfect.

"This isn't just based on the quarters we've seen him play. This is based on the practice and the challenges that he's undertaken here on the practice field," Carroll said. "We've combined everything and with the circumstances that have been presented he won this opening challenge here."

Wilson's most recent performance had Seattle fans buzzing, with Twitter overrun with "Russellmania" comments Friday night as he picked apart the Chiefs. As the game progressed, most began accepting the idea that Wilson would be the starter.

Carroll said Wilson took the news in stride.

"He expects to be good and he expects to be successful and he expects to make plays," Carroll said.

Wilson has been able to pick up the Seahawks

offense quicker because of his experience playing in a West Coast offensive system in college. He spent his first three seasons at North Carolina State before transferring for his final year to Wisconsin. In Madison, Wilson led the Badgers to the Rose Bowl and was named the first-team, all-Big Ten quarterback.

"He is so prepared. He doesn't seem like a first-year player," Carroll said. "He seems like he's been around. He gets it, he understands and he is a tremendous leader in that way. He doesn't do anything but the right thing in all of his work and his preparation and his competitiveness has been demonstrated again."

Wilson being named the starter leaves Flynn on the sidelines and according to Carroll understandably disappointed. Flynn was Seattle's big free-agent splash in the offseason and the most highly sought after quarterback not named Manning after spending the last few seasons as Aaron Rodgers backup in Green Bay. But Flynn failed to show the same flashes as Wilson during his two preseason opportunities and sat out the game in Kansas City with a sore elbow.

Flynn's injury isn't considered to be severe, but sitting out against the Chiefs didn't help his case for the job.

"Matt's done a great job for us in every way, just the opportunities didn't seem to come in as big a way as it did for Russell," Carroll said. "He made the most of his."

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Six different players score in dominating weekend



MACKENZIE SAIN | The Observer

Sophomore defender Sammy Scofield, left, junior midfielder Elizabeth Tucker, center, and freshman defender Stephanie Campo guard an East Carolina forward during Sunday's 5-0 Irish win.

By **MATTHEW ROBISON**
Sports Writer

After capturing a road match Friday 2-0 over Tulsa to start the weekend, Notre Dame continued its win streak with a dominating 5-0 win over East Carolina in its home opener Sunday.

The Irish (2-1-0) controlled nearly every aspect of the game in Sunday's victory over the Pirates. In the first half, Notre Dame out-shot East Carolina 16-1. The lone Pirate shot came from redshirt sophomore midfielder Lexi Miller and it was one of the few times the Pirates (1-2-0) tested Notre Dame freshman goalkeeper Elyse Hight.

Irish coach Randy Waldrum attributed his team's success to offensive movement and transition play.

"I thought we were better between our midfield play and our forward play," Waldrum said. "I thought we were better this game

of linking up between those two lines for us, and our mobility was much better. I think when we have that, we're a difficult team to track and to defend."

After several scoring chances early in the game, Notre Dame finally broke the ice on an unassisted goal by junior forward Rebecca Twining in the 35th minute.

The Irish dominated the second half as well. Notre Dame scored four times in the half on goals by freshman forward Crystal Thomas, sophomore forward Lauren Bohaboy, freshman forward Anna Gilbertson and sophomore midfielder Karin Simonian.

The high offensive output matches the total number of goals the Irish scored in its first four games this year: two exhibitions and two regular season matchups.

"We've been slow in these exhibitions with getting the kind of shot creations that we wanted," Waldrum said. "It's something

that we've just been addressing every day in training, so it was good to see them get five today and actually see some freshmen score some goals."

Two goalkeepers combined to keep a clean sheet. Hight played 74 minutes before sophomore Sarah Voigt took her place in net. The Irish offense controlled the ball for the vast majority of the game, and as a result the Pirates only forced Hight to make three saves. Voigt made one save on the only shot on goal she faced.

If there was one flaw in the way the Irish played Sunday, it was the rate at which they started each half.

"I thought we started a little slow in the first half," Waldrum said. "And I thought we started slow in the second half, which is when East Carolina got most of their chances. We can't afford to do that. But I thought once we got past those spells, I thought we got

really good with our possession."

Notre Dame had never played East Carolina in its history, but Waldrum said the performance from the Pirates was about what he had expected to see.

"We didn't know that much about them," Waldrum said. "We got a little bit of information in some scouting reports but we didn't get a chance to see any video. But from what I've kind of kept up with over the years, they were what we expected."

On Friday, the Irish beat Tulsa (2-1-0) by a 2-0 margin on two goals from junior captain and midfielder Elizabeth Tucker. With 12 freshmen on the team and only three seniors, the Irish have a disproportionate amount of youth on the field. But game time experience is the best way to learn, according to Waldrum.

"Every game's been a learning process," Waldrum said. "So we always, win or lose, try to take

away something that we need to get better at. It's going to continue that way until these girls get some time and some games under their belt."

Up next for the Irish are two home games against tough opponents, No. 25 Santa Clara and No. 14 North Carolina. Each of those teams will present a significantly greater challenge than East Carolina.

"We've got to be a little bit better, even shored up defensively, because they're going to take advantage of the chances they get," Waldrum said. "We've got to be ready for that intensity. It steps up another notch. Defensively, we'll work a little bit with things like that."

Notre Dame next squares off Friday night at 7:30 against Santa Clara in Alumni Stadium.

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ND VOLLEYBALL | UCLA 3, ND 1; ND 3, ST. LOUIS 0; NEBRASKA 3, ND 0

Irish fall to two top-five teams, beat St. Louis

By **CONOR KELLY**
Sports Writer

While the Irish showed they could compete on the court this weekend, they also demonstrated they have a long way to go until they can beat the nation's best. Notre Dame fell to top-ranked UCLA and No. 4 Nebraska on Friday and Sunday respectively, while defeating Saint Louis on Saturday.

Though Notre Dame (1-2) turned in a pair of gritty performances against the Bruins (1-1) and the Cornhuskers (3-0), Irish coach Debbie Brown said the team was not satisfied with the final results.

"I think it was a good learning experience for us," Brown said. "We always want to learn and get better, but we won't be satisfied with the result. We would have liked to win at least one of those matches, for sure."

The Irish fell to the No. 1-ranked

Bruins on Friday by a score of 3-1 (25-17, 18-25, 25-23, 25-19), having no answer for UCLA All-American outside Rachael Kidder's 18 kills. The senior outside hitter was dominant but was nearly matched by the play of Irish sophomore outside hitter Jeni Houser, whose 17 kills paced the Irish.

"Jeni was phenomenal against UCLA," Brown said. "To record 17 kills, going against two returning All-Americans, is very impressive."

On Saturday, Notre Dame defeated Saint Louis (0-2) in straight sets (25-19, 25-20, 25-17) behind the offensive play of Houser and fellow sophomore outside hitter Toni Alugbue, whose 11 kills led the Irish. Freshman libero Taylor Morey, playing in just her second collegiate match, recorded 12 digs.

On Sunday, the Irish fell in straight sets (25-19, 25-21, 25-13) to a determined Nebraska squad. Alugbue again led the Irish on offense, notching 12 kills and hitting

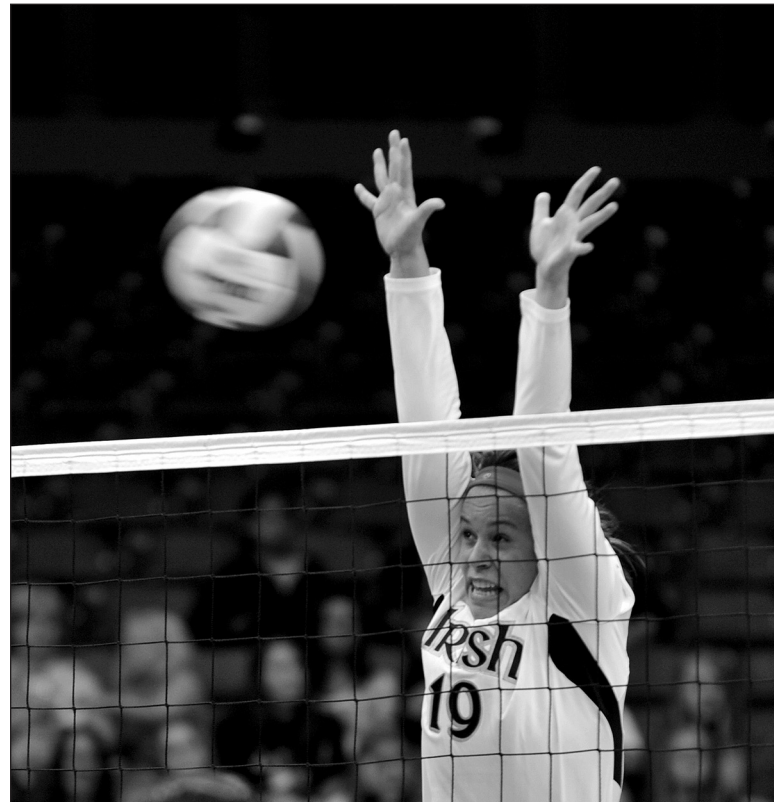
.310 against the Cornhuskers' vaunted front line.

Though the Irish sported periods of inspired team and individual play throughout the weekend, the team was hampered by mistakes and sloppy play at times, which Brown attributed to the team "not having put it all together."

"At this point in the season, there were too many errors for us to put together a championship performance like was needed to beat UCLA or Nebraska," Brown said. "We had a number of really strong individual performances, but what I love about this team is that nobody really cares about that at all. We just want to win as a team, and I'm confident that it will be put together soon."

The Irish return to the court this weekend at home for the Shamrock Invitational.

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Sophomore opposite side hitter Jeni Houser prepares for a block during Notre Dame's 3-0 sweep of Rutgers on Nov. 6, 2011.



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limited offensive production caused problems throughout the Irish schedule. The Irish accepted two ties last season — scoreless draws against Indiana and Connecticut — in which the Irish ended up on the right side of virtually every statistical matchup except the only one that really mattered. Notre Dame also suffered two double-overtime losses, against Saint Louis and St. John's. In each of those games, the Irish netted only one goal.

This year must be different.

Last year, Irish coach Bobby Clark expressed a recurring sentiment after each loss or tie in which he felt the Irish played better than the final result suggested. Clark would say, "That's just soccer." He is right, of course. Sometimes balls don't find their way into the net and sometimes one mistake can erase all the successes in a game.

But this year must be different.

If the Irish are to turn some of last year's losses into ties and ties into wins to improve 2011's 9-5-4 record, they must be able to put goals on the board more consistently than they did in their last campaign.

The first 75 minutes of Saturday's season-opener against Duke looked like another chapter of last year's disappointing season in which the Irish failed to qualify for the NCAA tournament for the first time since 2000. The No. 18 Irish drew 11 corner kicks

to Duke's one, fired 18 shots to the Blue Devils' four and drew 22 fouls from the visiting team, but had no goal to show for it. Near misses, superb opposition goaltending and failed execution prevented the Irish from cashing in on a bevy of opportunities.

Finally, in the 76th minute, Irish senior forward Ryan Finley, a Duke transfer, gave Notre Dame the go-ahead goal with a decisive strike from the top of the box.

Irish senior captain Dillon Powers has spoken of offseason efforts undertaken by the team to develop a "killer instinct" in practice. Perhaps the most telling sign that those efforts were fruitful was that after Finley's go-ahead goal Saturday, the Irish were even more threatening and frenzied than before. The Irish sensed weakness in their opponent and, energized by their teammate's score, put the pressure squarely on the Blue Devils for the final 14 minutes of the game. If the Irish can turn into a team of finishers, their killer instinct will turn them into a force in the Big East.

With the opening goal of the 2012 season, Finley gave the Irish a win in their first game of the year. But more than that, he gave Notre Dame hope that this year will be different.

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Finley

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was one-sided in favor of Notre Dame (1-0-0). The Irish took 18 shots — eight of those on goal — while the Blue Devils (0-1-0) took four, only one on goal. Notre Dame had 11 corner kicks, while Duke had one. Duke senior goalkeeper James Belshaw finished with seven saves.

"It was a pretty clear white-wash as far as a game goes," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "I think we dominated. It's just goals are hard to get, and

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Bobby Clark
Irish coach

their goalkeeper was excellent. Belshaw in their goal was superb."

Clark said he was happy how the team closed out Saturday's contest, unlike many games last season.

"We played several games like the opener last year," Clark said. "We should have beaten Indiana, where we dominated and outshot them. We did the same to UConn and it ended [in

a 0-0 tie.] So we will take the 1-0 [win] and go home. I was happy for Ryan Finley to get revenge. I think he was really excited about that."

The Irish midfield saw a lot of help from seniors Bob Novak and Kyle Richard, especially after senior Adam Mena went down in the 38th minute and did not return to the game.

"It was a team win," Clark said. "A lot of people had to come on and play. Bobby Novak had to come in at midfield and hold the middle for us there at the end. Kyle Richard also did, really. A lot of kids came and played big parts tonight."

The defense was the big question mark for Notre Dame coming into this season, as the Irish graduated three starters, but the four defenders under the senior leadership of Grant Van De Castele were solid. Senior goalkeeper Will Walsh only had to make one save against the Blue Devils.

"Considering we graduated three [defenders] last year, I was very, very happy with the back four," Clark said.

The Irish look to use the momentum from this win when they take on San Diego State and Clemson this weekend in the adidas/IU Credit Union Classic in Bloomington, Ind.

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Junior forward Leon Brown goes airborne to avoid an opposing defender during Notre Dame's 1-0 season-opening win over the Blue Devils on Saturday.

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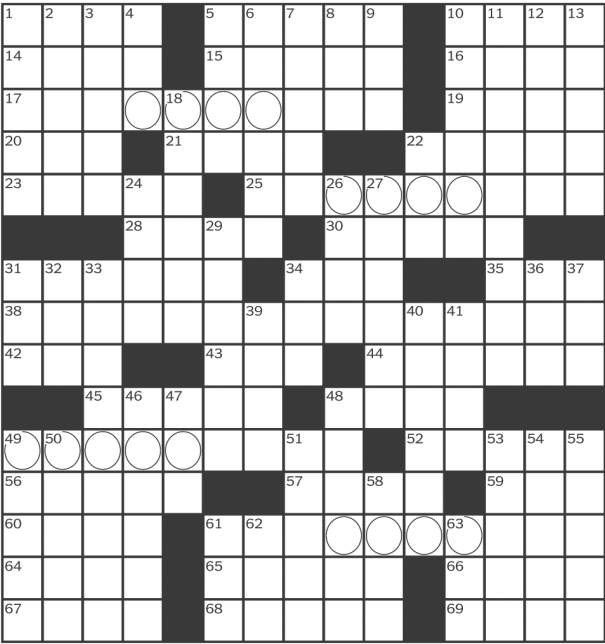
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Keke Palmer, 19; Macaulay Culkin, 32; Chris Pine, 32; Melissa McCarthy, 42.

Happy Birthday: Keep life simple. Peel away additional stress by expressing moderation and thoughtfulness. Use your imagination and intuitive guidance to help pave the way to the destination of choice. Back away from overly zealous people. Own your life instead of letting someone else dictate what you can and cannot do. Your numbers are 5, 7, 13, 25, 36, 38, 41.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You’ll have trouble making a decision if you let your emotions take over. Back away if someone puts pressure on you. Expand your awareness by engaging in cultural events. Put in overtime and you will catch up and make a good impression. ★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Put your heart on the line. Being open and honest will get you the answers you need to move forward. Love is highlighted and a change will take place if you get involved in social activities that interest you. ★★★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Take your time, an impulsive move may be tempting, but it can turn into a costly affair. Focus on home, family and making your place comfortable. Serious situations require a thoughtful response. Don’t give in to emotional manipulation. ★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Take care of your health. A little rest, relaxation and spending time with the ones you love will help you revitalize. Children and elders may need assistance. Offer suggestions but don’t cater to those who can do for themselves. ★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Get in the game. Be a participant. Surprise everyone with your knowledge, versatility and desire to expand your interests. Stabilize your home life by making the changes you’ve been contemplating. Take action, socialize and improve your life. ★★★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don’t worry about what’s happening at home when what you should be doing is taking action and pursuing what makes you happy. Redesign what you feel is your ideal situation and start building from the ground up. Follow your heart. ★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Find out all you can before you leap into something that will change your life personally or professionally. You may feel impatient and in need of a change, but unless you have ironed out any pending problems, you cannot move forward. ★★★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Pursue your desires and interests passionately. Your participation and actions will speak for you. Originality and understanding coupled with love and knowledge will allow you to take care of any situation you face with finesse and accuracy as well as bring stellar results. ★★★★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):Reconnect with people from your past who have something to offer that you can use or vice versa. Give-and-take will make your world much better. Changing your lifestyle or where you reside will lift your spirits and make you feel more at ease. ★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Emotional matters will escalate. Avoid conversations with demanding individuals wanting to add to your responsibilities. Concentrate on hanging on to your assets, not sharing them with someone undeserving. Choose your battles and fight to win. Agreements can be made. ★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Focus on getting ahead financially. Look over contracts or make a commitment to someone who has the potential to improve your life. Aggressive behavior may be required to secure what you want. Someone from your past will offer a workable solution. ★★

PISCES (Feb. 19- March 20): Simplicity and moderation should rule your day. Less will be more in the end and help ease your stress. Love is in the stars, and spending quality time with someone you adore will change your attitude. ★★★★★

Birthday Baby: You are quick, responsive and perceptive. You are caring and helpful.

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Saturday’s Jumbles: BLUNT YIELD IGUANA EXHALE
Answer: His ability to say “adios” and “au revoir” made him this — “BYE”-LINGUAL

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FOOTBALL

Wood suspended for two games

Utupo will also miss games against Navy and Purdue for violating team rules

Observer Staff Report

Irish coach Brian Kelly announced Sunday that senior running back Cierre Wood has been suspended for Notre Dame's first two games due to a violation of team rules. He will miss Saturday's season opener against Navy in Dublin and Notre Dame's home opener against Purdue on Sept. 8.

Junior defensive end Justin Utupo has also been suspended for two games due to a violation of team rules, Kelly said.

The news of the suspensions emerged less than a week before the Irish are set to open the 2012 season against Navy. The team's flight departs Wednesday evening.

"Our players are aware of the standards I set for our program and that failure to meet my expectations will result in consequences," Irish coach Brian Kelly said. "Justin and Cierre violated our team rules, so I've suspended them for the first two games of the season."

Wood, an Oxnard, Calif., native, rushed for 1,102 yards on 217 carries and scored nine touchdowns in 2011 after compiling 603 yards on the ground

as a sophomore in 2010. He was named to the watch list for the Maxwell Award, which is annually given to the top college football player.

After the graduation of Jonas Gray and with a first-time starter in Everett Golson at quarterback, Wood was expected to assume an even larger role for the Notre Dame offense in 2012. Senior Theo Riddick, sophomore George Atkinson and sophomore Amir Carlisle, who transferred from USC following last season, will be called upon to carry the load in Wood's absence. Carlisle is currently sidelined while recovering from a broken ankle and is unlikely to play against Navy.

Wood was held out of the opening practice of fall camp due to medical paperwork issues, Kelly said. Wood has not been available to the media during fall practice.

The Irish will already be without junior quarterback Tommy Rees and senior linebacker Carlo Calabrese after one-game suspensions stemming from an arrest in May.

After not appearing in any games during the 2010 season, Utupo reached the field in 12 games in 2011.



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Irish senior running back Cierre Wood, right, is brought down by junior defensive lineman Louis Nix during the Blue-Gold Game on April 21. Wood has been suspended for two games for violating team rules.

MEN'S SOCCER | NOTRE DAME 1, DUKE 0

Irish bedevil Duke in opener

Former Blue Devil Finley sinks late goal for the win

By ISAAC LORTON
Sports Writer

After the No. 18 Irish failed to capitalize on several prime scoring opportunities, senior forward Ryan Finley put the game-winning goal away in the 76th minute, and Notre Dame held on to clinch a 1-0 win over No. 21 Duke. The goal came off a pass across the box from junior forward Harry Shipp, who elected to pass the ball rather than take a shot. Finley, who transferred from Duke in 2011, scored his first goal of the season against his former team.

"Words can't describe what that goal meant to me," Finley said. "I couldn't do it without my teammates. It was just a real emotional goal."

Although a low-scoring game, statistically the game



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Senior forward Ryan Finley, left, attempts to dribble out of trouble during Notre Dame's 1-0 win over the Blue Devils on Saturday. Finley, who transferred from Duke prior to the 2011 season, scored the winning goal for the Irish.

Forget stats and style: It's the goals that count



Joseph Monardo
Sports Writer

Soccer is a game that relies on skillful touches, prolonged possessions and fluid team play. But like most sports, soccer is also a game that relies, ultimately, on production.

There is no rating system for skill displayed or difficulty mastered. The only things that matter are goals. This was an unfortunate fact for last year's Irish, who very often would have earned scores of near-perfect 10 for their performances, but were unable to make the effort count on the scoreboard.

This year must be different.

Last year's Notre Dame squad scored 1.50 goals per game, placing it outside of the top-50 in Division I. Although Notre Dame held its opponents to only .89 goals per game, the team's

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