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Teach for America ranks ND highly

By MEL FLANAGAN News Writer

For the fourth time in the past five years, Notre Dame ranked among the top colleges and universities contributing graduates to Teach for America's newest class of teachers.

Teach for America (TFA), a nonprofit organization that recruits college graduates and professionals to teach in underserved neighborhoods and schools, issued a press release ranking the schools that sent the most graduates into the 2012 Teaching Corps according to three categories: large, medium and small schools.

Notre Dame ranked 12th among medium-sized schools after 27 members of the class of 2012 joined TFA's ranks of teachers.

Gaby Barahona, TFA's manager of regional communications, said some schools send more graduates to the program than others for a variety of reasons.

"It hinges on a few things, like how well TFA is known on campus or what the leaders on campus decide to do after their undergrad career," she said. "I think it has to do with what our presence looks like. Do we have active recruiters on campus trying to engage the top leaders?"

Northwestern University, Harvard University and Georgetown University ranked in the top three spots respectively for medium schools, which are defined as those with between 3,000 and 9,999 undergraduates.

The high numbers of Notre Dame students who have entered the TFA Teaching Corps may assist future University applicants the authority that the glaenizargionization putos, campus,

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'A terrific growth'

Hesburgh reflects on changes made during tenure in office



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University President Emeritus Fr. Theodore Hesburgh revolutionized Notre Dame during his recordsetting 35 years as president. At 95, he is a living legend with a lasting legacy.

By MEGAN DOYLE

Managing Editor

Editor's Note: This story is the first installment in a two-part series on University President Emeritus Fr. Theodore Hesburgh's legacy at Notre Dame. This series is also the final installment in the "From the Office of the President" series.

He befriended popes and presidents. His name is on

the University library. Time Magazine featured him on its cover. He served on the Civil Rights Commission and stood hand-in-hand with Martin Luther King Jr. during the 1960s. Women can earn a Notre Dame degree because of him.

But at the beginning of it all, University President Emeritus Fr. Ted Hesburgh didn't want the "[Being president was] the last thing in the world I wanted to do, and I was not aching to get these big jobs," Hesburgh said. "I just wanted to teach and be in the hall and work for the students. That's literally what I had in mind of what I was going to spend my life doing. And I come back here, and within six or seven years, I wind

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A steward of student life



KEVIN SONG | The Observer

Vice President for Student Affairs Erin Hoffman Harding, pictured in her office, seeks to ensure students get the most out of their time at Notre Dame by promoting inclusivity and community.

By JOHN CAMERON

News Editor

Put simply, Vice President for Student Affairs Erin Hoffmann Harding's role is to make sure every student's undergraduate years at Notre Dame are as fulfilling as hers were.

"I had a really wonderful experience as a student, and I want to make sure that's true of every student," she said. "In a very direct sense, I'm trying to give back."

Harding said her goal is to offer the same traditional experiences that make Notre Dame special to an evolving student body. The need for greater inclusiveness, she said, was highlighted in the spring by the movement for a Gay Straight Alliance (GSA) and the response to a racist incident on campus. "We really do have some more work to do in being welcoming and inclusive," she said. "I see from our students in surveys when they graduate that they are not satisfied with the diverse experience they're offered here."

Harding's office is actively evaluating opportunities to expand inclusivity to both LGBT students

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Students explore overseas programs

By CHRISTIAN MYERS
News Writer

Members of the football team are not the only Notre Dame students to bring their talents to foreign shores.

The International Open House presented an array of international opportunities to students in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies on Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Anne Hayes, assistant director of the Office for International Studies and one of the event's organizers, said each year the International Open House is an opportunity for all undergraduate students to learn about Notre Dame's various international programs.

"The idea is to introduce students to the wide array of international options that are available through various offices at Notre Dame. Most students know about study abroad programs through Notre Dame, but we also want them to know about international research, service learning and internship opportunities," she said. "The Open House provides underclassmen with a chance to begin exploring options to spend time abroad. It is also a great way for students who have already spent time abroad to reflect and to expand on [their] international experiences."

Senior Tom Mitchell, a finance and economics major, said he studied abroad in Hong Kong and is interested in returning.

"I enjoyed studying in Hong Kong and I'm hoping to return through work or a research opportunity," he said. "I'm going to visit the Career Center's table."

Freshman Evelyn Bauman said she attended to learn more about study abroad opportunities in general.

"I'm here to find out about study abroad, really anything I can get my hands on," she said. "I'm considering language programs and I'm taking French, so I'm leaning toward Africa."

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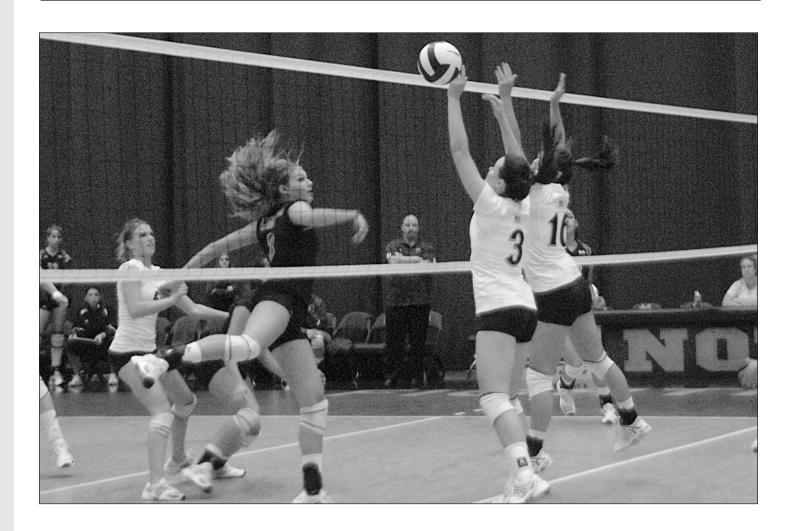
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Thursday

Barack Obama and the Crisis of Liberalism

Law School 12:15 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Dr. Charles R. Kesler.

The Merchant of Venice

Washington Hall 7:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. Actors from the London Stage.

Friday

National Catholic Invitational

ND Golf Course 3:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Cross Country event.

Damsels in Distress

DeBartolo Performing Arts Center 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Film about girls helping depressed students.

Saturday

Women's Volleyball Joyce Center

1 p.m. - 3 p.m. ND vs. Loyola Marymount.

Film: Neighboring Sounds

DeBartolo Performing Arts Center 7 p.m. - 9:24 p.m. Tickets \$7/\$5/\$4

Sunday

Women's Soccer Alumni Stadium 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. ND vs. Cincinnati

Fall Opening: Public Reception

Snite Museum of Art 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Free and open to the public.

Monday

Kickoff to Arts and Letters Career Week

Geddes Hall 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Discover grad school.

Lecture on Catholic **Social Tradition**

Hesburgh Library 7 p.m. An Uncommon Search for the Common Good.

SENATE

Group considers GSA

By MADDIE DALY News Writer

Student Body Vice President Katie Rose led a debate about the possibility of Notre Dame establishing a Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) in addition to the preexisting Core Council during Wednesday's Senate meeting.

Before delving into these issues, Chief of Staff Katie Baker praised the student body for the small amount of arrests over the first home football weekend.

"There were only five students arrested and three non-students," Baker said. "We are so happy that was the number, considering all the things that happened at Indiana University and Purdue in previous weekends."

Introduced by Off-Campus President Katie Kehl, Senate elected six new off-campus ambassadors, one from each popular off-campus living site: Caitlin Desmond for Legacy Village, Brittany Dunn-Pirio for Irish Row, Kaitlyn Marks for Irish Crossings, Conor Hegedus for Northeast Neighborhood, Andrea Suarez for The Foundry and Camille Sharrow for Stadium Club.

"Their responsibility is to be the liaison between students living off campus and the on-campus student government," Kehl said.

Department of Gender Issues Director Matt Devine introduced the possibility of creating a GSA focus group to supplement Core Council.

"Core Council exists as a discussion entity but is the equivalent to 'outing yourself.' Over half the students have to be out, with no questioning," Devine said. "GSA would function as a support group between LGBQT students and those who support them ... It's a more holistic approach and a more closed environment."

Farley Hall Senator Monica Daegele, as well as several other senators, expressed her hall's overwhelming support for the creation of a GSA.

"The formation of a GSA would foster a community of support, as long as the University lets the students know what's going on, maybe through some sort of forum," Daegele said. Opposition from Keenan Hall Senator John Vernon sparked a debate.

"I just hope [the administration] is getting the other side of this debate," Vernon said. "I feel that our Catholic values should be upheld. Given the Catholic Church's stance on these kinds of issues, having a Core Council is great ... but the addition of a GSA might take it too far if they supported life choices relating to marriage specifically."

Welsh Family Hall Senator Felicia Byrd said she thinks a GSA is compatible with Catholic doctrine.

"We want to make people feel

included and have a safe haven," Byrd said. "I don't think GSA would take it too far."

Vernon then qualified his previous remarks and suggested the possibility of expanding the Core Council instead of adding GSA.

"Don't get me wrong, I am supportive of a welcome environmen ," Vernon said.

Switching gears, Rose introduced concerns about studentfaculty relationships.

"Faculty has noticed in the past five years or so a decline in 'good' student behavior, ranging from texting in class to coming in late or leaving for long periods of time," Rose said.

Class of 2014 President Lizzie Helping suggested funding professors to host students at their homes for class dinners.

Bakernalso said student government is interested in exploring more flexible academic opportunities.

"I know many schools have a create-your-own major or minor progra...," Baker said. "Brett, Katie and I are very interested in talking more about this."

Rose ended the meeting on a positive note.

"We are looking to collaborate to make sure we are in the best learning environment possible for all involved," she said.

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Notre Dame learns to flirt



MAGGIE O'BRIEN | The Observer

Notre Dame learned the art of flirting Wednesday night from Adam LoDolce in McKenna Hall.

By SARAH MCCARTHY

News Writer

Dating coach Adam LoDolce gave Notre Dame students a lesson in flirting, dating and relationships Wednesday evening during the Flirting Workshop, sponsored by the Gender Relations Center. LoDolce, who has been featured in Glamour magazine, gave a presentation in McKenna Hall that included a slideshow to teach students not only how to flirt, but also how to break down larger social barriers that may prevent them from meeting new people.

"Social fears inhibit us from achieving greatness in our lives," LoDolce said. "Our social and professional lives would be much different if we were more comfortable putting ourselves out there."

LoDolce gave students a brief account of his background and how he got started in his career. He also admitted that, as a college student, he would often deal with his anxiety over meeting girls by getting drunk before he went out.

After meeting a fellow student at a party whose gregarious and outgoing personality caught his attention, LoDolce said he realized he had it within him to overcome his social fears. He eventually started his coaching business, which is centered on helping people achieve what he calls "social freedom," he said. "Social freedom is the confidence to be yourself in any social situation without the fear of rejection or criticism," LoDolce said. "Everyone is born socially free."

As people grow older, they accumulate learned fears, usually through parents, and these fears eventually make it harder for them to meet new people and begin new relationships, LoDolce said.

As a way to get over these fears and develop more confidence,

LoDolce offered the audience certain secrets to achieving social freedom.

"The first is to develop your unique concise identity," he said.

He encouraged students to think about what made them different or unique, and he said they should not be afraid to express those characteristics.

"I believe that once you start building confidence you feel more comfortable putting yourself out there in a different way than someone else," he said.

LoDolce advised the audience to think about what to first say to someone when meeting him or her because, he said, "cheesy pickup lines don't work."

Another way to build confidence, Lo Dolce said, is to warm up before social gatherings.

"Talk to anyone you're not intimidated by, and slowly expose yourself to things that make you uncomfortable," LoDolce said.

LoDolce challenged the students in the audience to introduce him or herself to five people in the crowm.

Finally, LoDolce said students shoulo stop worrying so much about what others think.

"If you constantly question yourself, you become your insecurities," he said. "Be attracted to yourself to live a life full of love. The main thing is to have fun."

kSome students in the audience, such as senior Alex Budz, said they appreciated the tips LoDolce presented in the workshop.

"I liked it a lot," Budz said. "I'm in a relationship, but I think I could also use his advice to meet new friends."

Fellow senior Katharine Mackdsaid she also enjoyed the presentation.

"I liked his positive vibes," she saie. "I found the talk intriguing."

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Video highlights diverse community

By TORI ROECK News Writer

The newest viral video on the Notre Dame campus is a product of the University's Office of Undergraduate Admissions.

Joyce Lantz, director of communications for the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, said the "Any Given Day" video, which has been viewed nearly 27,000 times, features students with diverse academic tracks and extracurricular activities to show prospective students the range of opportunities available to them at Notre Dame.

"Students at Notre Dame go above and beyond the ordinary college student, making our students and our days extraordinary," Lantz said. "Students enjoy the challenge of academic rigor, and there is always something happening on campus to attract their intellectual curiosity."

"We tend to get a one-sided view of Notre Dame, the tradition and the Catholicism and the straightedged student population, but I think this video gives a really cool and dynamic perspective."

Martha Dee Senior

The video also emphasizes Notre Dame's sense of community and Catholic identity, she said, making students "truly a part of something larger than themselves."

"Notre Dame offers a distinctive Catholic experience within an environment of universal moral values," Lantz said. "This open and accepting community of faith urges one to examine issues from all angles; it also fills one with a sense of purpose, passion and meaning. Regardless of one's individual faith tradition, he or she will feel affirmed at Notre Dame."

Senior Martha Dee, who appears in the video, said it highlights parts of the Notre Dame experience that most prospective students don't get the chance to see.

"I think it shows a lot of different facets of Notre Dame life, which is a good thing," Dee said. "We tend to get a one-sided view of Notre Dame, the tradition and the Catholicism and the straightedged student population, but I think this video gives a really cool and dynamic perspective."

Dee said the video not only depicts how students spend their time while attending Notre Dame but also the different paths they will take after graduation.

"Not only is it giving a rockstar view of Notre Dame ... but showing how these experiences here will ultimately lead to the rest of your life," she said. "This is a jumpstart from where you then go into your career or into your future social life."

Lantz said the Office of Undergraduate Admissions held a casting call to recruit students to appear in the video.

"We were seeking students that could tell their Notre Dame story with authenticity," she said. "We did not want to work from a script, nor present a 'talking heads' format. Instead, we thought of the process in terms of conversations, conversations one could have with any Notre Dame student on 'any given day."

Dee said she was unsure of how the video would turn out while filming but is thrilled with the final product.

"When we were shooting the footage, it was just a bunch of walking down the hall and doing the same things over again, and you're like, 'How are they going to put this together? What is putting on makeup in a room going to show a prospective student?" she said. "But when all those little clips were put together, you got every single different view of Notre Dame you possibly could get. I loved the way it turned out."

The student reaction to the video over social media was impressive as well, she said.

"It was on everybody's Facebook page within 45 minutes of it being posted," Dee said. "Everybody was like, 'This is awesome! This is why I go to this school! I love Notre Dame."

Dee said she got goosebumps and started crying the first time she watched the video, and she hopes prospective students get the same feeling.

"I think for perspective students who are on the edge — they probably were accepted to a bunch of top-tier schools — looking at his video could give them a really cool look into Notre Dame that you may not otherwise see," she said.

Junior Caroline Ramsey said the video encapsulates the Notre Dame "work hard, play hard" mentality.

"It shows that [Notre Dame students are] really involved in studies and involved in engaging in a lot of different activities and exercising their curiosity in so many ways, more than just academic," Ramsey said. "It tried to show a picture of a whole life, a whole person. That's what college is all about, educating the whole person. That's what Notre Dame is about."

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Comedians entertain Belles

By BRIDGET FEENEY

Associate Saint Mary's Editor

Legendary comedy writers Bill Persky and Tom Leopold entertained students, faculty and staff at Saint Mary's on Wednesday evening with a discussion panel. The talk was the first in a series of lectures, private master classes, workshops and performances during their two-day visit to the College.

This is Persky's second visit to Saint Mary's in less than a year, as he previously visited in April. He is a five-time Emmy Award-winning writer, producer and director who has worked on such iconic television shows as "The Dick Van Dyke Show," "Who's the Boss," "That Girl" and "The Cosby Show."

Leopold is famous for his writing, story editing and producing for classic television shows such as "Cheers," "Seinfeld" and "Will and Grace."

Together, the pair discussed with students how they got involved with careers in writing, producing and directing comedy.

"I kind of got tricked into [writing comedy]," Persky said. "It's mainly observing and looking at life and saying 'that's weird,' instead of just letting it go by. It's all about how you notice stuff."

Leopold, who said he had wanted to go into show business ever since he was five years old, also said writing comedy is about looking at everyday events in a different way.

"You just have to pay attention to what strikes you, whether it is funny or sad or just some guy in the street," he said. "I didn't know I had the ability to be funny until I met other funny people and could make them laugh."

Leopold and Persky offered some help to writers seeking advice on how to improve and build on their skills.

nLeopold stressed the importance of simply sitting down and writing every day, even if no one sees it.

"By writing, you'll find out who you are," Leopold said. "If you write every day, great accidents can happen. You find your voice."

Perskytsaid practice can help one improve as a writer.

"Don't start out to write something great," he said. "Just start out to write something. Nobody has the freedom to do what you want to do like a writer. It's just you and your desire and the way you express it."

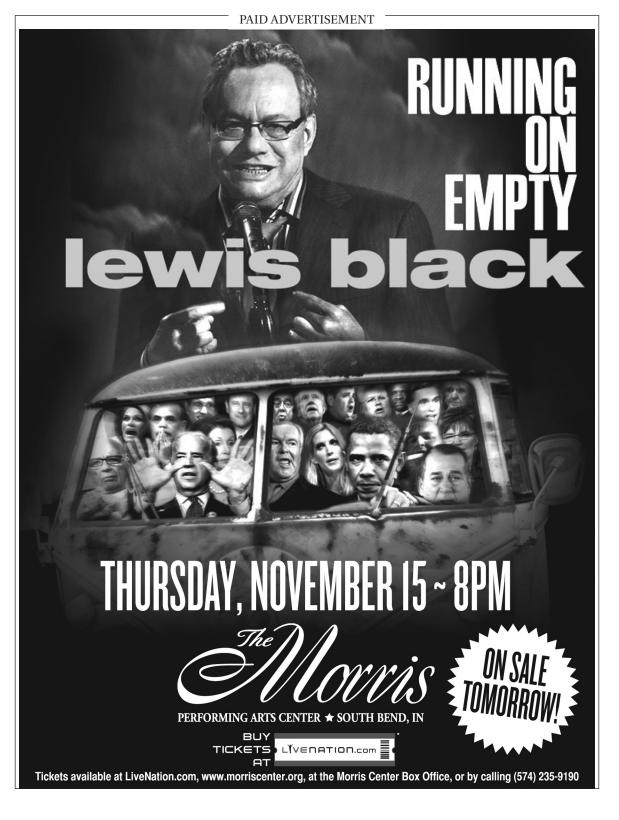
Senior Danielle Haydell said the lecture was not only an enjoyable way to spend her Wednesday evening but also a chance to learn about comedy and the personal backgrounds of the two writers.

"(Their talk) was hilarious and was very insightful," she said. "It was really great to actually meet the people who write the funny shows because I feel like you hear about the actors all the time, but you never hear about the actual people who write it. It was nice to be able to talk to them and ask questions and hear their life stories."

On Thursday, Leopold will perform his one-man show titled "When a Comedy Writer Finds God," a story about his conversion from Judaism to Catholicism. The performance begins at 7:30 p.m.tin the Little Theatre of the Moreau Center for Performing Arts. Tickets and more information can be found at

www.more aucenter.com.

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'To Write Love on Her Arms'

By JILLIAN BARWICK

Saint Mary's Editor

Guest speaker Aaron Moore invited Saint Mary's students to join the movement titled "To Write Love On Her Arms" (TWLOHA) in a speech Wednesday evening for National Suicide Prevention Week.

Maureen Parsons, president of the Student Government Association (SGA), introduced the night by giving the audience some background information on the organization.

"To Write Love On Her Arms' is a non-profit movement dedicated to presenting hope to people struggling with addiction, depression, self-injury and suicide," Parsons said. "This movement began as the simple attempt to tell the story of a friend in need but gained quick attention over the Internet."

TWLOHA has donated over one million dollars directly to treatment recovery, Parsons said.

"The organization has been featured on news outlets such as NBC, CBS and MTV," she said. "Supported by bands such as Switchfoot, Anberlin and Paramore, TWLOHA has also grown quickly through the music community."

Moore, a licensed mental health counselor with a master's degree in counseling, works with adults and teenagers to help them find healing and recovery with the organization, he said.

"We are really excited to be here tonight," Moore said. "This is a big week for our organization since it is National Suicide Prevention Week, something that is near and dear to our hearts."

Before Moore's talk got under-

"One of the worst lies that feeds the stigma about these issues is that if someone wants to commit suicide, then you cannot help them."

Aaron Moore mental health counselor

way, he introduced a guitarist named Eric James, who treated the audience to a selection of songs from his band, The Last Royals.

"Our organization is a big fan of music," Moore said. "We love having an opportunity to take a musician with us on the road. The act of music has played a huge role with TWLOHA."

After James finished, Moore returned to the stage to give the audience more information about TWLOHA.

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"Things that TWLOHA talks about are typically things that most people are uncomfortable talking about," Moore said. "Being with TWLOHA for the past six years has really opened my eyes to many more things within the realm of suicide, depression and addiction."

After reading a magazine one day, Moore said he found out about the organization and that it happened to be located down the street from where he was working.

"I saw that the organization had been talking about suicide and it really hit home," Moore said. "After getting in contact with Jamie Tworkowski, the founder of TWLOHA, I became involved with the organization."

Tworkowski created"TWLOHA when a friend of his needed treatment for her addiction, Moore said.

"Jamie wanted to tell his friend's story and get these issues of addiction and self-injury out there," he said. "TWLOHA was created by Jamie as a way to gain support for his friend in need."

Durng his talk, Moore said talking about issues like depression, suicide, self-injury and addiction is one of the bigger challenges in life.

"Being honest in topics like this, we might feel as though there are complications to talking about our feelings," he said. "We don't want people to tell us that we are wrong feeling sad or



Singer Eric James performs with TWLOHA at Saint Mary's Wednesday. James played songs by his band, The Last Royals.

Turing to the audience, Moore asked the group why it is so hard to talk about how we feel to our loved ones.

"It is so much easier to pretend it is not happening," one audience member said. "Ignorance is bliss."

Fear of rejection was another common answer among the listeners.

"People are afraid to go to someone and have them say, 'Well that's not important enough to be depressed about," another audience member said.

Moore addressed these responses, tying them back to TWLOHA and the organization's key points.

"One of the worst lies that feeds the stigma about these issues is that if someone wants to commit suicide, then you cannot help them," he said.

Society does not do well with issues like depression and recovery, he said.

"We only see these topics discussed in gossip magazines and blog sites," Moore said. "Our society only sees these issues on reality television."

Moore closed his address with reminding the audience that more people in the world suffer from the issues of depression, self-injury, addiction and suicide than.most people think.

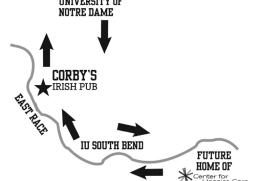
"At TWLOHA, we have learned that people need to be more aware about these issues and that by using the platform we have, people will learn," he said. "I bet a lot of money that most of us can connect with the fears of being open about these issues in our lives. Our fears are very much like each other's; we are far more similar than what we originally believed."

Moore said communities should support people dealing with these issues.

"We believe that there is something powerful about a sense of community where sharing stories really helps others," he said. "There is something really amazing when we get to know that our story actually matters to someone."

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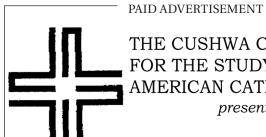
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and those of varying ethnicities, she said.

"[University President] Fr. John [Jenkins] has asked our office to look broadly at the services and support that we offer to our gay and lesbian student population on campus," she said. "Also with the 'Call to Action' [campaign] last year, we're working with the student organizations to make sure those types of events don't occur again."

The incoming class, the most diverse and international yet, is a positive sign of a trend toward a more dynamic student body makeup, she said.

"I think the incoming freshman class, for example, is a really exciting thing for the University," she said. "All of us can benefit from learning from people of different cultural backgrounds, ethnicities, et cetera."

Harding said her office intends to offer these increasingly varied students an equally broad array of opportunities, a trend that has continued since her time as an undergraduate.

"Compared to when I was a student, we have so many more opportunities to find a passion and pursue it, whether that's something like undergraduate research — which was relatively new when I was here — or study abroad, which has exploded since I was here," she said.

While Notre Dame students continue to push themselves toward their passions, Harding said she hopes the University continues to offer opportunities for balance.

"If there's one concern I have, it's balance. When you look at the world and technology and how quickly things move, there's so much demand on our time," she said. "Achieve balance also—take a little time to rest. Do one thing well versus five things at a cursory level."

Part of her role, which includes oversight of the Career Center, is to help students pursue their passions after their undergraduate years, she

"I hope that Notre Dame continues to do a lot to help students moving on," she said. "We want to do all we can to help students find the right path. It's a challenging market out there, so we're doing everything we can to make sure our students are as competitive and successful as they can be."

For those students seeking more advanced degrees after graduation, Harding said she expects Notre Dame's graduate programs to continue to grow and improve during her time at the University.

"We are excited to offer additional support in this area, even as we continue to enhance the undergraduate experience," she said.

No matter what successes students reach after graduation, Harding said one of the University's greatest roles is to instill a common set of values.

"I hope this place continues to stay grounded and all [students] continue to be grounded in a set of values," she said. "Everything starts and stops there. I think Notre Dame has done a great job there so I hope we continue with that in the future."

Keeping with the theme of moderation in student life, Harding said

the University will strive to provide for all aspects of student health and well-being.

"Physical and mental health are areas of increasing focus within student affairs across the country, and Notre Dame is no different," she said. "Where we are different is that once our students are physically and mentally well, our spiritual formation, our developmental approach, is really unique. But we have to get that foundation right first."

While the University strives to provide spiritual guidance and pastoral care, Harding said she will work for an atmosphere of open dialogue and exploration.

"Whatever faith you are, I want Notre Dame to be a place where students can explore — academically obviously — but also their beliefs," she said.

The spiritual and ethical foundation of the Notre Dame student experience is one unique aspect Harding said she pledges to maintain.

"I will never apologize for the fact that Notre Dame is held to very high standards. I think that is one of the best things about us," she said. "We are unique and different in that we're trying to be the best research university in undergraduate education we can be, while at the same time remaining distinctly Catholic."

Harding said she is prepared to stand by that unique Catholic identity while considering policy issues, regardless of public criticism.

"It makes us unique, different and a truly wonderful experiment in higher education," she said. "If that brings a little attention along with it, that's okay."

Controversial issues and media attention are a new challenge for Harding, who was most recently associate vice president of strategic planning. However, she said she did not hesitate to accept the new role and benefitted from the guidance of her predecessor, Fr. Tom Doyle.

"He was wonderful, from the moment we started this transition. We met weekly in the spring and it was a different topic each week, covering everything from housing assignments to conduct and discipline," she said. "He was a true gift and mentor."

Harding said her education will not end with Doyle's weekly meetings.

"There's a set of professionals in this division who've been doing this particular work much longer than me, and I'll continue to learn from them, and I also think we'll learn from our student body ... as our students continue to grow and change," she said. "I have tons to learn, and hopefully listening is one of my strengths in terms of leadership style."

Whatever change manifests during her tenure, Harding said she will work tirelessly to maintain the feeling of community and good will among Notre Dame students, faculty and alumni.

"Ultimately the care for the individual and that sense of community are probably most important," she said. "No matter what changes in 10 or 15 years, I still want students graduating feeling like they were a part of something bigger than themselves."

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Teach

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Barahona said.

"You might have friends who have done it, and you know their experiences and have a stronger knowledge base of what TFA is and what they look for," she said. "It doesn't necessarily give you an edge, but it helps inform the decision making and application."

TFA attracts exemplary college graduates and professionals to apply each year, Barahona said, and the process is very competitive. This year, the program received over 48,000 applications and accepted 5,800 teachers, a 17 percent acceptance rate.

Brittany Scherer, class of 2012, was one of the lucky 17 percent to join the TFA 2012 Teaching Corps as a teacher of eighth grade reading and literature at Arlington High School in Indianapolis.

"I love it," Scherer said of her teaching job. "I never thought I wanted to be a teacher, but I've been in school for about a month so far and I absolutely love it."

Scherer said she decided to apply to the program after she participated in a Summer Service Learning Project involved with education.

"I saw the achievement gaps firsthand with eight-year-olds," Scherer said. "If the problem was starting with eight-year-olds, I couldn't imagine what it was like for 12th graders, so I knew I wanted to work with an organization that fights that gap."

Many Notre Dame graduates choose to join TFA because of the

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value of service the University instills in its students, Scherer said.

"It's one of the main reasons I knew I wanted to do something with my life in service to others," she said. "I think a lot of students at Notre Dame realize how blessed they are to be there, and it makes you realize how important it is that you use this gift to serve others."

For future TFA applicants, Scherer said the organization emphasizes the well-rounded individual, one who not only does well academically, but also has demonstrated extracurricular

involvement and leadership qualities.

Barahona also said leadership is a crucial quality for a TFA application, as well as individuality and passion.

"What are the leadership qualities you bring to the table?"What have you done on campus to set yourself apart?" she said. "Going through those questions can help you figure out if you're compatible for TFA."

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NilssonSjolander, an international student from Sweden, said he is considering opportunities to study in English-speaking countries.

"I'm studying abroad as it is, but because I'm studying business it would be cool to spend half of the year in England or Australia," he said.

Hayes said an important aspect of the event was allowing students to network among themselves about international opportunities.

"Because there were students who had already spent time abroad and students seeking to go abroad, there were plenty of opportunities for students to interact with one another," she said.

Over 20 offices from across campus sent representatives to discuss their international programs, Hayes said, including ND International (International Studies and International Student Services and Activities), the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Student International Business Council and the Center for Social Concerns.

Junior Bobby Alvarez represented the Center for Social Concerns (CSC). Alvarez said he participated in two summer service learning projects through the CSC, one domestic and one international.

Alvarez said the CSC participated in the event in order to pursue its overall goal as an organization.

"The Center for Social Concerns is at this open house because our mission is making education work for justice and justice goes beyond our nation, state and city," he said. "Justice is an international, worldwide concern."

Hayes said this year's speaker at the event was Dr. Nick Entrikin, the University's first vice president and associate provost for internationalization. Entrikin's remarks focused on the importance of internationalizing a Notre Dame education.



Students talk with representatives of Notre Dame's study and work abroad programs in McKenna Hall on Wednesday.

The event was co-sponsored by the Kellogg Institute for International Studies and Notre Dame International, Hayes said.

Hayes said Kellogg began sponsoring the International Open House in 2008, but this was the first year Notre Dame International cosponsored it.

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Hesburgh

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up being president.

"That to me was not exactly a gift from heaven."

Hesburgh had begun his studies at Notre Dame in 1934 and completed his undergraduate degree in philosophy at the Gregorian University in Rome in 1939. When he returned to Notre Dame in 1945, he was a priest interested in teaching theology and working as a rector in Farley Hall.

By 1952, he was the 15th president of Notre Dame. He was 35 years old.

In a recent interview with The Observer, Hesburgh, now 95, reflected on the change of plans that took him from a young theology professor to the office on the top of a library that bears his name and towers over the campus he helped build.

"We were not a very great university at that time," Hesburgh said. "We had a miserable little budget of about \$7 million. Today, it's \$7 billion."

When Hesburgh first assumed the mantle of University president, the job was much different. The Congregation of Holy Cross governed Notre= Dame and ran many of its daily operations. The University president also acted as the superior of all the order's priests on campus, and he was limited to two three-year terms in office.

After Hesburgh completed his two terms in office, he said the congregation removed him from the position of superior that could by canon law only be held for six years. But he remained in the Office of the President.

"At the end of six years, they said, 'Keep on going," Hesburgh said. "And I went on for almost 40 years."

In 1967, the congregation relinquished official control of the University and turned its leadership over to a Board of Trustees, a mixed group of lay and religious members.

With the change, Hesburgh said Notre Dame truly became a "selfpropelled" establishment.

"[The Congregation of Holy Cross] owned the University, insofar as anybody owns the University, but they turned it over to become an autonomous corporation," Hesburgh said. "They took it lock, stock and barrel and turned it over to this new corporation called the University of Notre Dame du lac."

The Board of Trustees was not the only addition to Notre Dame during Hesburgh's term.

"We needed all kinds of buildings," Hesburgh said. "We needed arts buildings, we needed science buildings, we needed laboratories, we needed playing fields, we needed everything.

While Hesburgh added 40 new buildings to campus during his time at Notre Dame, his first order of business was hiring new deans to lead the University's academic life to a new level.

"You need absolutely first-rate deans who can reach out and attract faculty to transfer to Notre Dame, and once they get here, they can work with [those faculty] to

increase ... in their fields," he said. "And that's what happened. I mean today, I'd say the people that were teaching when I first became president could never get a job here."

Grants from the Ford Foundation and other organizations began the growth in fundraising and financial development that would skyrocket during Hesburgh's tenure. During his 35 years, Hesburgh grew Notre Dame's endowment from \$9 million to \$350 million, according to the University website.

"The Ford Foundation got into a developmental program developing some promising colleges to grow into great universities," he said. "We were one of the original five or six picked out."

Hesburgh credited the work of his fellow administrators, especially former executive vice president Fr. Ned Joyce.

"The best friend I had was Edmund P. Joyce, Fr. Ned Joyce," Hesburgh said. "He was a superb companion because first he was very smart, and on top of that he had knowledge that I didn't have. He was a [certified public accountant], and he was also a big sporting fan so he knew about athletics."

Joyce retired from his position in 1987, the same year as Hesburgh. When the two retired, Hesburgh was the longest-tenured university president in the United States, according to the University website.

His long time in office, so different than the life he planned for himself as a young theology professor, has been a blessing in disguise, Hesburgh said.

"With continuity, everything moves," Hesburgh said. "With discontinuity, everything changing every three or four years, you're not going anywhere. One guy just gets started, and he's changed with somebody else, and he just gets started, and you don't have that continuous thrust upwards. But we had people around so long that we were part of a continual upward effort.

"By and large, we are a fully-built, equipped, manned — and womaned — university. And it's been a terrific growth."

Tomorrow: University President Emeritus Fr. Ted Hesburgh on keeping the door open to students.

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Legalize steroids

Isaac LortonSports Writer

To put it simply, steroids should be allowed in Major League Baseball. (Gasp!) I know, I know ... what about the tradition and integrity of the game? Or how can we compare players across time if certain performances are enhanced by drugs? Or how are we to judge people for entrance into Cooperstown?

Let me answer these questions.

Small ball is for college baseball and, as MLB teams have shown in the past ten years, does not belong in the MLB. Home runs are what teams count on for run production. Take a look at the Arizona Diamondbacks keeping Mark Reynolds around. He struck out seven times for every home run he got and set two records for most strikeouts in a season. Yet, he hit home runs and fans want to see the long ball, so the D-Backs kept him around to pay the bills.

Wasn't the most exciting time in recent history of baseball 1997-2001? Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa were slugging homer after homer, competing for the title of most home runs in a season. Didn't fans go nuts when Barry Bonds hit 73 in 2001 to top McGwire's 70? Home runs are what excite the fans.

Although a walk-off single or double will do, fans want to see a walk-off homer, not a base hit. Home runs are simply more exciting.

Some will complain that this harms the integrity of the game, while judging Cooperstown ballots will be too difficult with this added variable. I have a problem with this argument.

Mark Grace ended his career with a .303 batting average, 2445 hits, 1146 RBI's and 1179 runs. It is not a very well known fact, but Mark Grace had the most base hits in the 90's. Not McGwire, Sosa, Bonds or Palmeiro, but Grace. Yet, Mark Grace did not receive enough votes last year to even be placed on the ballot for consideration into the Hall of Fame. All of these other players though, will have the opportunity to make it into the Hall of Fame despite their tainted pasts. If players without integrity can be considered for the Hall of Fame while a player who did not use steroids and still got more hits than any of them over a ten year span cannot, why not just make steroids legal? Then we can distinguish the "Clean Era" from the "Steroid Era" and vote by era. This way, players will be judged without asterisks and question marks.

If fans pay to see the long ball, not the shutout or short game, and if a player is willing to harm his body to get an upper hand, why not legalize steroids in baseball?

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Mitt Romney and healthcare

Brian Kaneb

Guest Columnist

How would a Romney
Administration approach health care?
The presidential hopeful would like
voters to believe he would never compromise on the issue, but at the same
time recognizes the need to appease
the varying factions that support him.
The fact is that such competing factors
make this question much more complex than it appears on the surface.
However, we can get a glimpse into
Romney's decision-making process by

Mitt Romney left a lasting impact on healthcare during his time in Massachusetts when he pushed for a bill he believed would lead to universal coverage through the individual mandate. Though this may seem like heresy to Republicans in hindsight, Romney obviously disagreed given the political context at the time.

looking at how he has developed dur-

ing his time as a political figure.

His approach seemed to make sense both pragmatically and politically. Not only did almost every citizen in Massachusetts already have health insurance, but Romney also likely believed he could get the electorate behind addressing the "free riders"

whose expenses are paid for by the taxpayer. As a Massachusetts native, I can guarantee Romnney knew the electorate would not be particularly resistant to the individual mandate as well. Massachusetts is about as liberal as Mississippi is conservative.

It is in large part due to these actions that Mitt Romney has been forced to spend much of his time on the national stage addressing health care. Not only has he had to factor in new voters with new priorities, but he also must realize that the Republican Party of 2012 is not the Republican Party of 2000. The Tea Party has brought the Republican Party further to the right by solidifying a significant role in the public discourse and obtaining the resources a presidential candidate longs for.

Mitt Romney has adjusted his strategy accordingly. He realized the Republican primaries were essentially a test of his conservative values, and thus repeatedly pointed out he would repeal "Obamacare" whenever health care came up on the campaign. As it became increasingly obvious Romney would face President Obama in the general election, he gradually revealed some of the more moderate specifics of his plans for health care. Just this past Sunday, Romney suggested

in an interview with NBC that he favored some of the provisions—in particular the ban on health care providers discriminating against people with pre-existing conditions—of "Romneycare."

It is beyond doubt that Mitt Romney has changed his point of emphasis with regards to health care, just like President Obama did with regards to gay marriage. This may seem confusing on the surface, but it does reveal a trend that could potentially lead us towards an answer to the aforementioned question.

Both in the state and federal levels of government, Romney's decision-making process has been conservative. He generally prioritizes the issues society wants him to prioritize. While it remains to be seen where public opinion will stand on health care in the future, we at least know a Romney Administration would try its best to avoid creating controversy through its actions.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Always acknowledge a fault. This will throw those in authority off their guard and give you an opportunity to commit more."

Mark Twain U.S. novelist

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Worth tucking into your pocket... or into your heart

Katharine Barrett

Faithpoint

I have just finished hanging up one of my favorite new birthday presents in my office. A dear friend gave me a framed print of her Scriptural "life verse," a small, valuable nugget from the Bible that she carries in her heart and tries to shape her approach to life.

The Catholic Church hasn't focused its efforts on encouraging people to memorize Scripture as clearly as have other Christian traditions. There's no reason why we can't start, though and choose a line or a few that help us hear the voice of God speaking to our hearts.

Most of us probably don't have the ability or perseverance to memorize the entire gospel of John or one of Paul's letters to the Corinthians, but, in the end, that's just fine, because nothing steers a person toward clarity like having to make a choice. Would you pick cookies and cream or mint chip? Pepperoni or sausage? Backstreet Boys

or 'N Sync? More importantly, though we think about it less often, Matthew 25:40 or Luke 6:37? Sure, you can just scroll through any — or every — book of the Bible on your smartphone, but try this instead: take the time to think about, to listen for, what God might want you to hear as you go about your days.

Do you need patience or generosity? Humility or courage? The Word of God speaks to all these needs and more. Wouldn't it be worth the time to select a verse or two that we really need to keep in our hearts and turn over in our prayers each day? If the Bible feels a bit unfamiliar, start with the familiar: "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want" (Ps. 23), or "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself" (Luke 10:27). Listen during Mass and try to carry away a phrase from one of the readings, the psalm or a hymn that particularly speaks to you. Later you can plug it

into Google and find where it comes from

Maybe most of us won't have one "life verse," but several that speak to us at different times in our lives. My husband and I, believing that God would bless our marriage and wanting to keep Him firmly in the midst of our lives together, chose Psalm 40 for our wedding Mass: "Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will." I think back on that choice and it reminds me to try always to be open to following God's will in our family. Now, with three teens and a "tween" in the house, Psalm 141, "Set a guard over my mouth, O Lord; keep watch at the door of my lips," has become more helpful than I ever dreamed! My 14 year-old nephew recently made his Confirmation in the Lutheran Church. As part of his preparation, he wrote a Faith Statement and included his favorite verse, which comes from 2 Samuel: "My God, my rock of refuge! My shield, my saving horn, my stronghold, my refuge, my savior." Who knows which of God's words he will grow into as he

continues to live out his faith, but he has chosen the Lord to be his rock.

My friend's verse, now hanging on my wall facing the South Quad, comes from Paul's letter to the Ephesians: "Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen." It reminds me of her and the gift she has for encouraging, for "building up," everyone around her. It also reminds me that, as the letter to the Hebrews says, "the word of God is living and effective," full of mercy, wisdom and strength for any of us who desire to hold it in our hearts.

And as for Matthew 25:40 and Luke 6:37, I can only pass on what my dad used to say: "Well, go look it up."

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Of cowboys and communes

Mia Lillis

Guest Columnist

Picture this.

You are a teenager in an American household. You follow baseball stats religiously, love playing football, know where to find the best hamburgers in town, your Toby Keith CD has never been ejected from your car's stereo system and, if it were up to you, you'd never remove your bootcut jeans.

But there is a catch. You were born into a family of (to put it simply) extremely liberal hippies.

Your mother spends most of her time tending her huge community garden. Whatever free time she has following her garden work is usually devoted to reading up on the latest post-modern literature, listening to Enya and sipping her home-grown tea. Your father has devoted himself to organizing protests at the capital every week. He also helps organize communes across the state.

Suffice it to say, you feel like you have very little in common with the rest of your family. While your mother and sister discuss the plausibility of a Derridean interpretation of Blue Velvet at the dinner table and your father

excitedly passes you his vegan quinoa stew, you sigh inside, wishing that you had someone to discuss the latest UPenn drama with.

One day, your Uncle Pete comes over for dinner. Despite being a diehard Redskins fan, you light up when you see Uncle Pete's Cowboys shirt. You spend most of dinner talking your uncle's ear off about football stats and season outcome predictions. He takes it all in stride, and, at the end of the dinner, invites you to come to his place to watch the next Redskins game with some other family members who also enjoy sports.

You enthusiastically ask your parents for permission, which they grant, and that's how you finally find yourself in a house full of football fans, something you never thought would happen. You all excitedly follow the game, and during commercial breaks find out that you also have more in common, such as similar taste in music or a religious devotion to french fries. And so, you find yourself hanging out with Uncle Pete and the rest of the crew on a pretty regular basis.

Does your choice to hang out with Uncle Pete and the rest of the "nonliberal outcasts" mean you are no longer a part of your family? Certainly not. You still love your parents and your relatives to pieces, and you know that this love is mutual. Just because you, Uncle Pete and the others do not happen to share the same interests as the rest of your family, and as such have developed a "minority culture," does not mean that you are no longer members of the family. Families have always been and will always be diverse. And, if your mom drops by sometime to watch a football game because she wishes to understand a little more about your passions, then she is by all means welcome. But if none of your more liberally-inclined family members are interested in playing some ball with you, Uncle Pete and the gang, that's perfectly fine too. Individuals with unique interests and cultures make up a family. Besides, you know you're all going to get together for the family triathlon competition, and you'll all enjoy a good baked potato at the end of the day.

This is the minority experience at Notre Dame. Just to clarify, the term "minority" is not limited to ethnicity. Minority can also refer to those of us who do not share in the Catholic faith, are queer or would rather spend those four hours on Saturday playing League of Legends while the rest of the campus

is at the Stadium. We are not looking to exclude. We are simply excited to have found a group of people who share our common interests or culture. If you have been a football-goer all your life, but are interested in exploring League of Legends one afternoon, we welcome you. But if you would rather continue going to the Basilica every Sunday and do not feel the calling to explore other religions, we are perfectly okay with that as well. After all, we are unique individuals, and it is the inherent diversity in families that make them the coolest structures in society. Much like we refrain from asking the "majority" Notre Dame students to become carbon copies of us minorities, we appreciate when this is mutual. We're still all going to participate in the same Appalachia seminars, or spend late nights in the LaFun basement. We have a variety of cultures and a variety of interests, but we are still all one family, one Notre Dame.

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SACRED MUSIC ON CAMPUS

By CLAIRE STEPHENS

Scene Writer

This week Sacred Music at Notre Dame and DeBartolo Performing Arts Center host three days of creativity, connection and celebration with a sacred music conference titled "James MacMillian and the Musical Modes of Mary and the Cross."

The festival conference, beginning today and ending Saturday, will feature composer and guest lecturer James MacMillan, who is in residence to attend the premiere of his new motet "Cum vidisset Jesus." Along with him will be a panel of other distinguished composers, conductors and scholars. The panel will include guest composers, guest participants, faculty members and ensembles.

MacMillan, the preeminent Scottish composer of his generation, has been programmed worldwide by orchestras including the London Symphony Orchestra, the New York and Los Angeles Philharmonics and the Cleveland Orchestra and has been a featured composer at the Edinburgh Festival, the Southbank Centre in London and the BBC Barbican Composer Weekend.

"For us, it's a historic moment, to have the preeminent Catholic composer of our time visiting the community of Notre Dame," Carmen-Helena Tellez, co-director of the festival, said. "It is also an auspicious moment for our young Sacred Music program, which aspires to be among the best in the nation."

The topics that will be discussed include the genre, text, function and context of sacred music, as well as the spirituality, impact and practice of composing and conducting sacred music.

"These events show we're well on the way to being the only world-class music program that teaches all the things Vatican II called for," said Peter Jeffery, co-director of the Masters of Sacred Music program. "[Those things are] high standards of training, preserving the treasury of sacred music, active participation in the liturgy and openness to all world cultures."

The focus of the conference is to debate the issues of composing and performing sacred music today. Composers and conductors of sacred music are invited to share their work in the choral readings, discuss composing and commissioning and engage in the panels and workshops.

"Sacred Music at Notre Dame offers a vibrant palette of performances, workshops, and discussions, show-casing Notre Dame's fine facilities and the dynamism of our faculty, performing ensembles, students and invited guest artists," Margot Fassler, co-director of the festival, said. "The group of composers we have assembled to probe into issues surrounding sacred music in contemporary life is without parallel."

The conference also features concerts by faculty members, Pomerium and Aguavá New Music Studio

with the Festival Chorus and Orchestra.

"We are very grateful to the College of Arts and Letters and the support of the Nanovic Institute and DPAC, so we can offer the three evening concerts to the public without cost," Fassler said. "This is a time for our entire community, and our guests, to study, explore, learn and enjoy."

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On Campus

What: James MacMillian and the Musical Modes of Mary

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'MONDO': NEW ARTISTS BRINGING THE GROOVE BACK

By LIZZIE SCHROFF

Scene Write

I have long been trying to bring the use of the word "groovy" back. I think it's a wonderful word, and I don't understand why people don't use it much anymore. There are some instances where "awesome" or "sweet" just does not cut it. And this album is no exception.

It's not surprising that Danger Mouse (I swear, this man is a genius) produced Electric Guest's debut album "Mondo"; several of the songs are reminiscent of the style of Broken Bells, a project that Danger Mouse took on with The Shins' lead vocalist and guitarist James Mercer, and feature groovy beats characteristic of many Gnarls Barkley songs. But band members Asa Taccone and Matthew Compton (brothers Todd and Tory Dahlhoff play on tour with the band) manage to establish their own sound on "Mondo."

The album begins with "Holes," a highly synthesized, electronic track with a steady beat and bass, which really allows lead singer Asa Taccone's vocals to stand out on their own.

The single from the album, "This Head I Hold" is infectiously groovy. Seriously. There's no other way I can describe it. I cannot help but get up and dance to this song. What's more, the long-form music video of the track is delightfully quirky with a rather unexpected twist. I definitely recommend checking it out.

The track list continues with "Under the Gun." The lyrics bring to the forefront the difficult (and very real) struggle of achieving one's goals and the obstacles that stand in the way. Vocalist Taccone sings "Were we born to be alone?" and goes on to state that "Everybody wants their way in the Promised Land / Everybody has to wait in the Promised Land." The smooth piano throughout is a definite highlight.

The beat picks up with the next song, "Awake." It features a rocking and catchy bass line, rhythmic acoustic guitar and airy harmonized chorus. The tempo then slows down a bit on the more serenading "Amber", which is highlighted by the prevalent use of keyboard electronics, particularly during the chorus. The tempo kicks right back up again with "The Bait," featuring plenty of effects

throughout the song.

The following track, "Waves" begins with a carnivalesque organ riff. The cheery melody, Taccone's falsetto and quick, perky drums are oddly supplemented by rather sad lyrics. "Oh, my mind, is all / Washed away, all away / We keep holding on / To the everlasting waves." (Sorry, dude, but if your mind is getting washed away, I think that's good indication that it is time to move on.)

Next up is the marathon track "Troubleman" at almost nine minutes long. It's not very often anymore that bands turn out songs of this length (which was certainly common in the days of Led Zeppelin and other classic rock gods), which is probably one of the reasons why I like this song so much. The track effortlessly glides in and out of slower drumless sections featuring just the guitar and keyboards, and a steadily rocking beat supported by backing vocals and a great melody.

The easygoing "American Daydream" leads into the final track "Control," which brings meshes all of the common features of the album — harmonizing, echoing vocals, solid bass line,

keyboards (this time, mostly organ sounds) and easy rocking drums.

The album effectively strikes a balance between both up-tempo and slower, steadier rhythms. Asa Taccone's vocals also give an even spread of falsetto without overdoing it, often shifting in and out of his normal range within single tracks (very akin to Broken Bells). The album was engaging and satisfied my need for both groovy, dance-inducing tunes and a little more "chill" music. This only leaves me with one question for you — can you dig it? I certainly can.

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"Mondo"

Electric Guest

Label: Downtown Records

Tracks: "Holes," "Awake," "Troubleman"

If you like: Electric Six, Gnarls Barkley and Maroon 5



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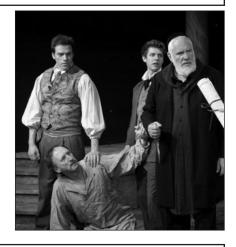
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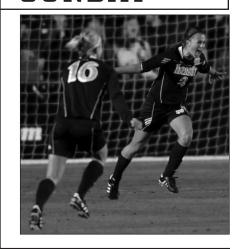
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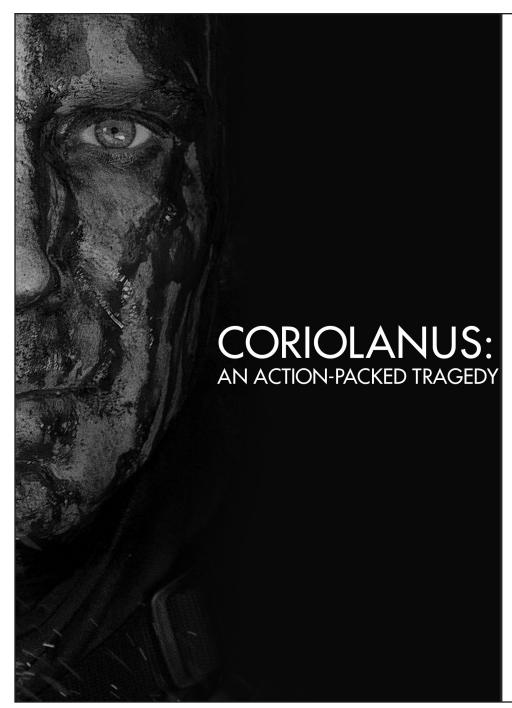
Marvel's greatest super heroes team up to save the world in one of this summer's most popular films, "The Avengers." The movie has a great plot and special effects. Go with a group of friends and watch Iron Man, the Incredible Hulk, Thor, Captain America, Hawkeye and Black Widow unite and overcome evil. It's a must-see!



What: Women's Soccer

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By MEGHAN THOMASSEN

Scene Writer

If you liked "Inglorious Basterds," anything with Ralph Fiennes or Gerard Butler in the lead roles, or anything that has a lot of blood, violence and Shakespeare, you will like this movie. Note: This should be everyone.

Coriolanus, a 2011 British film adaptation of Shakespeare's tragedy of the same name, is set in a modern-day alternate reality of Rome. The first-time director, Ralph Fiennes, plays Caius Martius, Rome's military genius, and Gerard Butler is Tullus Aufidius, Martius's mortal enemy. Civil riots rock the city as Martius and Aufidius battle it out for popular favorite.

When it comes to Shakespeare, this isn't Fiennes's first rodeo. Not only has **mthomass@nd.edu** he starred in the Royal Shakespeare Company, but he also won a Tony Award for his role as Hamlet on Broadway. Fiennes brings his signature intensity and gravitas to this already ground-shaking Shakespeare revamp.

Although most of us know him as Lord Voldemort, Fiennes has demonstrated his acting virtuosity in classics such as "Schindler's List," "The English Patient" and "The Constant Gardner." He has been nominated twice for the Academy Award and is slated to play Magwitch in "Great Expectations," which is due to open in 2012.

Butler, the Scottish rogue who got his start as the Phantom in Joel Shumacher's adaptation of "The Phantom of the Opera," channels his role from "300," the bloodthirsty King Leonidas, in this mind-binding war

From the previews, the film looks like a gritty, stylized exposition of Shakespeare's political commentary and view on the public figure. The shots focus on Fiennes' and Butler's faces quite a lot, and it promises some thundering battle scenes.

The film hasn't been released yet in U.S. theaters, but it will be playing tonight at DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Don't pass up this opportunity to be one of the first to see this movie. It will give you hipster bragging rights once it tops the charts.

Contact Meghan Thomassen at

On Campus

What: "Coriolanus"

Where: Browning Cinema When: Thursday, September 13 How Much: \$4 for students

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

MLB gives too many chances



Matthew Robison

When the regular season ends after 162 grueling games in a few weeks, the MLB playoffs will start. The annual "Hunt for October" is already underway with teams clawing and scratching for the postseason. Of the four major leagues, the MLB allows the fewest teams into postseason play, which makes the quest to keep a season alive even more daunting.

That is exactly how it should

But last year, Bud Selig and the rest of the league's authorities made it slightly easier to get in. When the regular season is said and done this year, two teams in each league will earn wild card bids. But that doesn't mean they get to compete for the title. That means they get to play a 163rd game.

Even if one team finishes five games ahead of the next closest team in the wild card race, one game will decide who advances they win all their regular season games and finish the year undefeated. Hockey and basketball lie at the other: half the teams get in.

Baseball was pleasantly at the happy medium: three division winners and one wild card team in each league. Three rounds, the last being the World Series. It was perfect.

Hopefully, the top two teams in the wild card in both leagues have the same record. That way, I won't have to tear my hair out watching a team barely over .500 get a shot at the World Series. My hometown Orioles could be that lucky team that advances without earning it. Or, they could be the team knocked out of contention because they had a bad night in a one-game playoff with an inferior opponent.

But as it is, I will probably be left disappointed by the results. I understand the argument that can be made from the opposite side. This year, the L.A. Kings finished eighth in the Western Conference in the NHL and ended up winning their first-ever

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to the League Divisional Series. That is obscene.

Several times, teams have finished the season tied in the wild card. In those cases, it is perfectly acceptable to have those teams play one game for all the marbles.

Theoretically, a team who finished third in their respective division can win the World Series. To me, that is just wrong. I suppose the same can happen in the NFL playoffs because of the two wild card spots, but teams really have to earn their way to the Super Bowl. In the MLB playoffs, teams only have to pitch their top three starters. They can put their bottom two starters in the bullpen. It's a whole different game.

Personally, I think the regular season is a test as to who deserves to play in the postseason. Previously, that was a valid test in baseball. College football lies at one end of the spectrum, with the regular season locking teams out of a shot at the national championship, even if

Stanley Cup. In that case, I will concede that they played their best hockey at the end of the season when it counted most. But, I do not agree that they even deserved to be in the playoffs.

The same argument can be made for the NCAA men's basketball tournament. There is an annual debate there, as well: who's in, who's out? The selection is inherently subjective, but undoubtedly there are teams who do not deserve to get in every year.

Now, I'm all for making the playoffs a true test of a team's mettle before the national (or world) championship is given away

But to allow too many teams to compete for it is a disservice to the regular season and the game.

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Connecticut's Calhoun to announce retirement

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Connecticut men's basketball coach Jim Calhoun is retiring and plans to announce his decision on Thursday, a person familiar with the decision told The Associated Press.

The person spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity because the announcement had not yet been made public.

Assistant coach Kevin Ollie was expected to replace Calhoun, the person said.

Calhoun led the UConn program from obscurity to three national championships, but has struggled recently with health issues, including a fractured hip last month that has forced him to come to work on crutches.

The 70-year-old Calhoun won 873 games in 40 years as a head coach, first at Northeastern and the last 26 years at UConn, and put four teams in the Final Four, winning national titles in 1999, 2004 and 2011.

Calhoun, who was elected to the Basketball Hall of Fame in 2005, is a three-time cancer survivor and missed eight games last season while suffering from a painful spinal condition. He returned just four days after having back surgery to coach the Huskies in their regular-season finale and the postseason.

UConn finished the year 20-14, losing to Iowa State in the first-round of the NCAA tournament. The Huskies are ineligible for next year's



AP

Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun won 873 games in 40 years as a head coach, first at Northwestern and for the last 26 years at UConn.

NCAA and Big East tournaments because of poor academic performance.

In addition to his medical leave, Calhoun served a three-game suspension at the start of the Big East season last winter for failing to maintain an atmosphere of compliance in his program, an issued that dated back to recruiting violations in 2008.

Then, last month, he underwent successful surgery to repair a left hip fracture from a bicycle accident. He was cycling near his summer home in Madison when he hit sand and fell, hours before he was to coach former players in a charity game.

Calhoun, a native of Braintree, Mass., played college basketball at American International in Springfield, where he was a team captain and leading scorer his junior and senior years.

After graduating in 1968, he began his head coaching career at Old Lyme High school, before moving back to Massachusetts where he coached at Westport High School and then Dedham High School.

After leading Dedham to a 21-1 record in 1972, he was hired as head coach at Northeastern.

Calhoun spent the next 14 years at the school, leading the team from Division II program, to a mid-major power with five appearances in the NCAA tournament.

Calhoun was then hired by UConn in May 1986 and won an NIT title in his second season. His teams won 10 Big East regular-season championships and seven Big East Tournament titles over his tenure.

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'Calling Baton Rouge' by Garth Brooks

I spent last night in the arms Of a girl in Louisiana

And though I'm out on the highway My thoughts are still with her

Such a strange combination of a woman and a child

Such a strange situation stoppin' every hundred miles Callin' Baton Rouge

A replay of last night's events Roll through my mind

Except a scene or two
Erased by sweet red wine

And I see a truck stop sign ahead So I change lanes

I need a cup of coffee And a couple dollars change Callin' Baton Rouge

Operator won't you put me on through I gotta' send my love down to Bato

I gotta' send my love down to Baton Rouge

Hurry up won't you put her on the line I gotta' talk to the girl just one more time

Hello Samantha dear, I hope you're feelin' fine

And it won't be long until I'm with you all the time

But until then I'll spend my money up right down to my last dime

Callin' Baton Rouge

Fujita returns to Browns after suspension lifted

Associatd Press

BEREA, Ohio — Back where he belonged, Scott Fujita ran

Disentangled, for the moment, from a legal straitjacket threatening his reputation and career, the Browns linebacker practiced without worry Wednesday. His three-game suspension overturned, but his legal fight not yet over, Fujita was again around teammates who never doubted him — and who missed him.

"We felt his presence," safety T.J. Ward said. "He was out there making a lot of noise, running around like he was a rookie, making jokes. It's really good to have him back."

Fujita practiced for the first time since an appeals panel renounced a three-game NFL suspension he received for his role in the Saints' bounty scandal. The 33-year-old Fujita played

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The outspoken Fujita, who has maintained that he never contributed money to a pay-forpain pool, plans to meet with commissioner Roger Goodell to discuss his case. Fujita would not discuss any details of the upcoming meeting, which will probably take place next week, but he believes a resolution is approaching.

"I'm always an upbeat, glasshalf-full kind of guy," he said. "I feel good about it. When and where, I don't know yet. I've just got to let the process run its course."

Fujita began serving his suspension last week. He was barred from the Browns' facility, forcing him to work out at nearby Baldwin Wallace University, where he could hear the whistle tweets from Cleveland's coaches during practice. He hoped all along he would be eligible to

play in Week 1, and on Friday his suspension, along with penalties against Saints linebacker Jonathan Vilma, defensive end Will Smith and free agent Anthony Hargrove, were overturned.

But while the ruling went in Fujita's favor, it came too late for him to show coach Pat Shurmur he was fully recovered from a leg injury that kept him out of Cleveland's last three preseason games.



Browns linebacker Scott Fujita signs autographs for fans before Sunday's season-opening 17-16 loss to the Eagles in Cleveland. Fujita practiced Wednesday after his three-game suspension was renounced.

He didn't play in Sunday's season opener at home against Philadelphia.

"If that decision came six or seven hours sooner, I could have gotten on the field and shown that everything was fine," Fujita said. "Then it's a different story."

Goodell, whose authority to punish the suspended players was questioned by the panel, wants to meet with Fujita and the others "as soon as possible."

Fujita would welcome an ending to this lengthy ordeal, which has affected his family, livelihood and given the league a potentially permanent black eye.

"I really am," he said of a possible conclusion. "We don't know what's ahead or what's coming down the road. From the very beginning I felt optimistic. I knew it was a process. Obviously, I wish it could have been resolved a while back, so it's not a distraction for anybody, but I've got to block all that out and just focus on the Cincinnati Bengals (Sunday's opponent). That's the best thing I can do at this point, control what I can control."

Shurmur would not commit to Fujita moving back into the starting lineup. However, with a young linebacking corps, the Browns can't afford to be without Fujita's experience and he'll likely line up at the strongside spot next to D'Qwell Jackson, who was thrilled to have his sidekick back.

"It's definitely a comfort zone," Jackson said. "The guy has been through a lot, and to have him back out here and focused on football and not have to worry about outside distractions means the world to us."

Fujita's return comes at a great time for the Browns, who will be without cornerback Joe Haden for the next four games.

Haden was suspended Monday for violating the league's policy on performanceenhancing drugs. He won't be eligible to return until Oct. 8, and with two division games, three on the road and a matchup with the Super Bowl-champion New York Giants between now and then, the Browns have their hands full.

"Joe's a hard guy to replace," Fujita said. "It's going to be tough on him and tough on us. We have to have guys step up and rise to the occasion."

To a man, Fujita's teammates believe he has done just that during months of intense scrutiny since the Saints' scandal first became public.

To some, the former Saint is a sinner.

And while others question him, Fujita has remained resolute. He hasn't wavered or weakened.

The scandal's weight hasn't flattened him.

"This is a national and world-wide issue," Browns tight end Ben Watson said. "It's something that has grown and grown, and he's always maintained his innocence. His story has never changed. He's always been forthright and honest with everything that he could be honest with as far as the facts go.

"He has a wife, kids, a mom and dad and his family has had to live with this whole thing. I don't want to speak for him, but I would imagine that's been the hardest thing as this thing has dragged on. There have been accusations and shots to his reputation. He's handled it very well, probably better than I would. He came to work every day, he's stood up against it and fought as good as he could."

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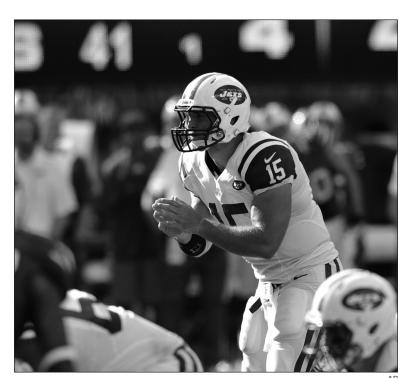
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Tebow's role with Jets remains unclear after debut



Jets quarterback Tim Tebow awaits the snap during New York's 48-28 win against the Bills, in East Rutherford, N.J., on Sunday.

prepared for."

on their team.

passer," Tomlin said. "That's an

element of it that we need to be

And that is exactly why the

Jets — particularly coach Rex

Ryan, general manager Mike

Tannenbaum, offensive coordi-

nator Tony Sparano and owner

Woody Johnson—wanted Tebow

Some have said New York's

trade for the quarterback in

March was purely a publicity

stunt. The Jets have said it makes

them a better offense, one with

an unpredictable presence that

might be unmatched in the en-

tire league. After all, Tebow is a

6-foot-3, 250-pound, rock-solid

guy who can run it, toss it or

throw a block—as he did on a few

of the playbook, and one that

can't be overlooked. Just because

the Jets used him sparingly in

Week 1 doesn't mean there won't

The element of surprise is part

special teams plays last week.

Associated Press

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — Tim Tebow ran out onto the field for the New York Jets' first offensive play of the season as a starter.

Not at quarterback, of course. That's Mark Sanchez's job. But in his Jets debut last Sunday, there was Tebow lined up on the right side of the line as a slot receiver — officially listed as a tight end.

The crowd cheered, Tebow ran a harmless route and then headed back to the sideline. A sprinkling of Tebow and the wildcat package turned out to be more than enough in a 48-28 rout of the Bills.

"I'm definitely competitive, but the No. 1 thing to help competitiveness is winning football games," said Tebow, who was involved in only 10 of the Jets' offensive snaps. "However I can help this team to win football games, that's the ultimate goal."

That's coming from a guy who has always expressed a desire to be a starting quarterback in the NFL, and led Denver to the playoffs in that role after earning the job last season.

With the Jets, at least through the first game, he's merely a contributor who ran five times for 11 yards and didn't throw a pass. But he's a player who gives opponents fits because they have to plan for him, regardless. That includes Pittsburgh, which might see Tebow maybe as little as Buffalo did. Steelers coach Mike Tomlin knows better, though, than to brush off Tebow's presence.

"That's something that they control, from a play-calling stand-point," Tomlin said Wednesday. "I know that we better be prepared for more than what I saw him do in the game on Sunday."

After all, Tomlin and the Steelers have seen him do a lot more. Tebow knocked them out of the playoffs last season with an 80-yard touchdown pass to Demaryius Thomas in overtime in Denver last season.

"Obviously, he's a capable

be a whole lot of Tebow Time this Sunday at Pittsburgh, or next week at Miami, and so on.

"We're never going to put a number out there," Ryan said of what percentage of plays made for Tebow were used against the Bills. "We're going to leave it as is. It will always be in the game plan. We'll see how much we need to use it, how little we'll do and how much we'll do. It'll obviously depend on what we think is in our best interest.

"Will it vary from week to week? It probably will, but teams need to prepare for it."

Tebow ran only two true wild-cat plays against the Bills, with Sanchez lined up at wideout. Most of his other snaps came out of the read-option, and for only the fifth time in his NFL career, he didn't throw a pass in a game in which he has played.

He even got surprisingly booed for the first time as a member of the Jets when he failed to gain anything on a second-and-6 play from the Bills 12. Some fans and media reasoned that it might have taken away from the rhythm Sanchez was in with the offense at that point, forcing Tebow into the mix unnecessarily.

"It's something that I've had to do before," Tebow said of his various roles. "My first year in Denver and my first four games last year, and also my freshman year at Florida, I had a role similar to this."

But he's also coming off a magical season in which he had comeback after comeback and was the starting quarterback for a playoff team.

"This is a new opportunity, a new team and I'm excited to be here," he said. "I'm not looking back at the past. I'm just trying to do the best I can with the present and look forward to the future." Tebow has consistently said all the right things since coming to New York, refusing to add any fuel to the fire by saying he wants to be out there more or thinks he could do more. Sanchez, to his credit, has also been careful with what he has said when it comes to Tebow, and entered the season more focused than ever.

"I think he's handled everything well," Sanchez said of Tebow, whom he considers a friend. "He's really come in and fit in with our team. He's tried to be a team guy all the way. He understands that he's going to get opportunities to touch the football and when he does, he wants to make the most of them. ... If I were in his shoes, I don't know how I'd

handle some of the stuff he goes through, but it's fun to talk about in the quarterbacks room."

Tebow is still undoubtedly the biggest personality on the team, and very possibly the most popular athlete in the entire New York sports scene. Whether his impact on the field matches all that hype, well, that's for opponents to find out.

From week to week, game by game.

"Whenever you get called on, you want to be able to go in there and be effective and efficient, and you want to help the team to try and get a victory," Tebow said. "You do that by creating first downs and hopefully being able to get in the end zone."

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Belles open conference play against Olivet



COURTNEY ECKERLE | The Observer

Saint Mary's senior midfielder Ashley Morfin dribbles during the Belles' 3-0 win against Olivet on Sept. 14, 2011 at Saint Mary's.

By MIKE MONACOSports Writer

Just like last year, the Belles went undefeated through non-conference play. And just like last year, the Belles (2-0-1) will try to kick off the MIAA calendar with a win against Olivet when the teams square off Thursday in Olivet, Mich.

In 2011, Saint Mary's started the season 4-0 before downing the Comets 3-0 to extend its season-opening win streak to five games. Belles coach Michael Joyce said his squad is hoping to do the same Thursday.

"We beat Olivet twice last year, so it is an important game for us," Joyce said. "It's important for us to get a result."

In order to have a similar outcome this time around against the Comets (0-4), Joyce said Saint Mary's will need to ramp up its energy level.

"I think we'll have to raise our intensity when it comes to our conference matches," Joyce said. "So that will be a big thing for us on Thursday: getting up for the intensity of conference play."

The Belles rolled through non-conference action with a sparkling combined score of 7-0, including a dominant 6-0 victory against Holy Cross on Sept. 4. Saint Mary's outshot the Saints 44-8 and netted goals from six different players. The six goals were the most scored by a Saint Mary's team since the 2009 season.

Joyce said the key against Holy Cross was getting the whole team involved in the offensive attack. Freshman midfielders Kathryn Lueking, Maggie McLaughlin and Rachel Schulte all scored goals, while the other three goals came from a trio of forwards. Joyce said he is looking for the Belles to generate a similarly balanced team offense against Olivet.

"Against Holy Cross we had a lot of our midfielders and backs getting involved in the attack," Joyce said. "So hopefully we'll look for those opportunities against Olivet and create a team attack rather than just leaving it up to the forwards. I think that went very well against Holy Cross."

The Belles also possessed the ball against the Saints and patiently waited for the right opportunity to lay the ball off to an open teammate, Joyce said.

"Against Holy Cross, we were also very smart with the ball," Joyce said. "They play with a very high offside trap, trying to catch you offside. There was great recognition from our player to stay onside, and to pick the right player on a through ball."

At the other end of the pitch, Saint Mary's has been equally consistent in its three shutouts. Against Olivet, a team that has yet to score in four games, the Belles will be looking for another strong outing from the back line.

"We have some very talented players back there," Joyce said. "We returned almost everyone from last year on the defensive line, so experience and cohesion help. Our goalkeeper, [sophomore] Chanler Rosenbaum has been playing really well. Not giving up too many goals should be a strength for us all season."

So far, the defense has been one of the strengths for the Belles. The team is only giving up an average of 9.7 shots per game, with just 5.7 shots on goal per game.

Rosenbaum and fellow sophomore goalies Hannah Bruggeman and Nicole Papiernik have combined for 290 minutes of shutout goalkeeping. Rosenbaum got the start in each of the first two games of the season and recorded 11 saves. Bruggeman and Papiernik split the goaltending duties against Holy Cross, and combined for six saves in the shutout.

A year ago in the conference opener against the Comets, Rosenbaum — then a freshman — got the start and recorded her first shutout in the 3-0 win.

The Belles are hoping for a similar result this year, Joyce said, but they know that no win is guaranteed.

"It would really be a step backwards not to come out of our first game with a win," Joyce said. "But no conference match is easy."

Saint Mary's attempts to remain undefeated Thursday when it takes on Olivet at 4 p.m. at the Cutler Athletic Complex.

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Saint Mary's defeats Adrian

Observer Staff Report

Saint Mary's scored a huge conference win Wednesday night, downing Adrian 3-1 on its home court.

Saint Mary's (6-1, 2-1 MIAA) won the first game by a score of 25-16, dropped the second game 25-19 and came back to win the third and fourth games 25-19 and 25-12, respectively.

The Belles took an early lead in the first set, jumping out to an 8-6 advantage. From that point on, the first set was all Belles as the home team went on a 17-10 run to end the game. The Belles' offense hit .382 in the first game.

The second set went to the visitors, as the Bulldogs (4-5, 0-4)

used 13 kills on 34 attempts to thwart the Belles. Saint Mary's was not able to pull within four points for the duration of the game.

In the third set, Saint Mary's stormed out to a 6-1 lead and did not look back the rest of the match. The Belles used five aces during the match to swing the tide in their favor.

The Belles were able to close off the match in the fourth set, using a 10-4 run to start the game. The home team extended its lead to 18-9 and never looked back, taking the set 25-12 to close out the match.

Saint Mary's is off to its best start since 2006, and will next travel to Carthage this weekend for the Carthage Tournament.

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Laddish and Roccaro return to face Louisville



a midfielder and one of the Irish

tri-captains, will provide Notre

Dame with a boost of talent

and experience in the midfield.

And as one of the leaders on a

Irish junior midfielder and tri-captain Mandy Laddish looks to make a play in Notre Dame's 1-0 loss to Illinois last season in the NCAA Tournament in Champaign, Ill.

By JACK HEFFERON Sports Writer

After bringing pride to both their college and their country by winning the Women's Under-20 World Cup, junior Mandy Laddish and freshman Cari Roccaro will look to continue their success when they swap out the Stars and Stripes for their familiar blue and gold jerseys this weekend.

While representing the United States on the international stage in Japan, both players had a large impact on the American victory. Roccaro, a freshman, started four of the team's six games at center back, locking

the University, themselves and their families — and the U.S. in general," he said. "I feel like a proud parent. They're two great players, and two great kids, and I couldn't be happier for them."

The pair returned from nearly a monthlong stay in Asia this week, but will have little time to bask in the victory as Notre Dame (3-3-1) dives into its Big East schedule this weekend, beginning with a nationally televised game against rival Louisville on Friday. But even on such a short timeline, Waldrum wants to ensure that his players have time to recover and reenter into life on campus.

"The only real worry I have

"Being the head coach at Notre Dame, I can't tell you how proud I am of those two, and how well they've represented the University, themselves and their families — and the U.S. in general."

Randy Waldrum Irish coach

down the back line despite being one of the youngest players on the squad.

Laddish, meanwhile, was a key substitute for the United States, coming in during the second half to boost the team to a championship. Both Roccaro and Laddish were on the field when the final whistle sounded in the final, a moment that Irish coach Randy Waldrum cherished back home.

"Being the head coach at Notre Dame, I can't tell you how proud I am of those two, and how well they've represented

with them is the time change," he said. "We're struggling with it as a team after playing on the West Coast, and they just got off a 12-hour flight from Japan. So we'll have to see how they do with that fatigue, plus the fact that they've missed three weeks of classes, and they're trying to catch up in those. So we'll need to make sure they get enough rest and time to deal with all that."

However, when they do return to the Irish lineup, the pair will make an immediate and sorely-needed impact. Laddish,

the latter might be her biggest contribution.

"She'll calm that young midfield down, and really solidify that position for us. I can't even begin to tell you how important that will be, not only on the field of play, but with her attitude as well," Waldrum said. "Clearly but right now the challenge for the Irish coaches will be to figure out where. Listed as a forward/ midfielder/defender, few players are more versatile than Roccaro, who is ranked as one of the top five freshmen nationwide.

For Waldrum, fitting the freshman into the jigsaw puzzle of the

"I'm excited to see how Cari and Mandy do this weekend."

Randy Waldrum Irish coach

we've missed her in the midfield as somebody that makes really good decisions with the ball and helps us keep the ball and maintain possession. She's so talented and gifted with the ball, and we've really kind of lacked that."

Roccaro, on the other hand, will be the least experience collegiate player on the field, as she has yet to play a game for the Irish. However, Waldrum has no doubt that she has the talent to make her presence immediately

"She's got a real good skill set, and she's a big strong player as well," Waldrum said. "She's certainly going to be in our eleven, there's no doubt about it. Getting her back gives us another starter on the team."

Roccaro may be a fixture in the Irish lineup for years to come,

Irish lineup might require some trial and error.

"I think we're going to try Cari in a couple of different spots, because we can certainly play her defensively like she did with the World Cup team, but we may even take a look with her at forward, because we could use a little help scoring goals," he said. "It may take us a couple of games to figure out the best spot for her, but she definitely has a big role for us. I'm excited to see how Cari and Mandy do this weekend."

Laddish and Roccaro will make their return and debut, respectively, in the Irish lineup this Friday, when Notre Dame takes on Louisville at 4 p.m. at Alumni Stadium.

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Junior midfielder Elizabeth Tucker, pictured here playing against North Carolina on Sept. 2, and Notre Dame will move to the ACC and play North Carolina annually.

Waldrum

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head coach, Waldrum said the impact will be felt well beyond just women's soccer.

"Of any conference we could have chosen to go to this is the one I was hoping for," Waldrum said. "I can't say enough how proud and happy I am. Hats off to Jack [Swarbrick] for pulling this one off — an absolute coup for all our Olympic sports."

Men's Lacrosse

The Irish will enter arguably the most storied conference in lacrosse history, as Notre Dame will join the likes of North Carolina, Virginia, Duke, Maryland and, eventually, Syracuse in the ACC.

Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said he is very excited to enter the conference for both its scheduling and recruiting impacts.

"It means we're going to be in the single best conference in college lacrosse," Corrigan said in a statement. "It's huge from a scheduling standpoint, from a competitive standpoint and from a recruiting standpoint. It's a tremendously competitive league and a very exciting league to be a part of."

Virginia has won five national championships, North Carolina has won four, Maryland has won two and appeared in nine other title games, and Duke has won one title in three tries.

Syracuse, which will join the ACCin July 2013, leads all Division

I NCAA men's lacrosse programs with 10 national championships.

Notre Dame will be joining a conference that, between those five teams, boasts 22 of the 41 national championship trophies. Corrigan, who led Notre Dame to a Final Four appearance last year, said the Irish hope to reach their objective of winning a national title of their own.

"Our goal in recruiting, scheduling and everything else has been towards trying to win a national championship and that's not going to change," Corrigan said. "Is it going to be a great challenge year in and year out to play the schedule of the ACC? Of course it is. But it's the challenge we relish and are looking forward to. I couldn't be more excited about all the possibilities of this move.

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Baseball

In the summer of 2010, Irish coach Mik Aoki left the ACC and his head coaching position of four years at Boston College to head to the Big East and Notre Dame. Just over two years later, Aoki was told he would be moving back to the conference he calls the best in America for baseball.

"I'm really excited about it," he said. "The ACC is one of the true power conferences in baseball. In the past decade, there have been a number of times where they are in the top two or three in RPI in the country. It's also a message to the kids that they will be able to compete academically at Notre Dame and compete athletically in the best baseball conference in America."

Aoki led the Eagles to their first NCAA regional appearance in 42 years in 2009 and took Boston College to its first two ACC tournaments in 2009 and 2010. He said there is a simply a different vibe when it comes to ACC baseball.

"The biggest impact it has is in terms of speaking for the baseball athletes' overall experience. The level of competition in the ACC is in the upper tier of college baseball. On the road it is going to be abundantly clear that baseball is important to these universities and to the athletic department.

"And from a recruiting standpoint it helps as well. Notre Dame gets you in the door as far as academics go. But joining the ACC allows us to have a marriage of two great brands, two very powerful brands."

Men's Soccer

After over 11 seasons in the Big East Conference in which his

teams averaged over 12 wins per season, Irish coach Bobby Clark said he has mixed emotions regarding Notre Dame's move to the ACC.

"It's hard obviously," Clark said. "It's a bittersweet situation. The Big East has been a really good soccer conference in this country and we've made a lot of friends in a very competitive conference. Having said that, the ACC has been the Cadillac of soccer conferences in the U.S., although [the Big East] has pushed it recently."

While he said he will miss the Big East, Clark said he thinks the move to the ACC is a good one overall for Notre Dame.

"I think it's a good move for possibly all our sports," Clark said. "[The ACC] is a very good athletic conference and it's a good fit academically for Notre Dame as well. There are a lot of positives."

As for recruiting, Clark said the Irish have always been able to allure top talent, but joining the ACC definitely will not hurt them.

"I think we've always been able to recruit, but it's certainly not a negative because the ACC is the top conference in the country," Clark said. "We've always argued that. I think Notre Dame has been able to compete well with any team in the conference. [Notre Dame] is a special brand. It doesn't matter even if we're independent."

Clark said all things considered, he is excited for the future of Notre Dame athletics, especially men's soccer.

"Overall this is exciting news for men's soccer and for college sports in general," Clark said.

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keep traditional rivalries and go around the country."

The move also allows the Irish to join the ACC's non-BCS bowl tie-ins. Prior to this season, the Irish had limited bowl options after accepting an inDuke and North Carolina and will add old Big East rivals Syracuse and Pittsburgh.

"The opportunity to go to the Big East is a great, exciting challenge," Irish coach Mike Brey said. "I'm an ACC guy at heart. Being down [in North Carolina today] with Jack and Fr. John on Tobacco Road

"When we joined the Big East, we were the lone outpost out here."

Mike Brev

Irish men's basketball coach

vitation to the Champs Sports Bowl last season. The ACC currently has seven bowl tie-ins.

Joining the ACC will not impact Notre Dame's relationship with NBC Sports, as the Irish will retain all revenue from home football games. Notre Dame's football contract with NBC expires in 2015. In other sports, including basketball, Notre Dame will split the revenue as an equal member.

The Irish men's basketball program will join a league that contains perennial powers brought back a lot of memories.

"When we joined the Big East, we were the lone outpost out here ... and we're the lone outpost again. I kind of like that."

The ACC also has several different schools that line up with Notre Dame, academically. The league contains eight schools ranked in U.S. News and World Report's top 50 universities.

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Irish men's basketball coach Mike Brey answers questions from the media Wednesday at the Isban Auditorium. The Irish will move from the Big East to the ACC in all sports except football and hockey.

Former QB recalls late win over Spartans in '02



 $Former\ Irish\ quarterback\ Pat\ Dillingham\ hands\ the\ ball\ off\ in\ Notre$ Dame's 21-17 over Michigan State in 2002 in East Lansing, Mich.

By MATTHEW DeFRANKS

Associate Sports Editor

Editor's note: This is the third of a new Observer feature. The "Waking the Echoes" series intends to inform fans about some former players and will feature weekly stories profiling them and their lives since Notre Dame.

Brent Musburger only had one thing to say: "Holy Rudy!"

What else was there to say when former walk-on quarterback Pat Dillingham completed a 60-yard pass to receiver Arnaz Battle against Michigan State in 2002? The pass propelled Notre Dame over the Spartans 21-17

and to 4-0 in Tyrone Willingham's first season at the helm.

Dillingham found Battle over the middle on a slant route. Former Irish tight end Gary Godsey took out two Spartans with a block and Battle, the converted quarterback, did the rest, sprinting untouched into the endzone for the winning score.

"The play was all [go routes], so everyone was running a streak down the field but Arnaz was on the strong side of the formation and the strong safety was blitzing," Dillingham said. "I was pointing at the strong safety on the play and looking at Arnaz. What we were basically saying is 'If that guy comes, you need

to break your route off and run a quick slant."

Dillingham finished the game 3-for-6 for 84 yards after taking over for injured quarterback Carlyle Holiday, who hurt his shoulder in the third quarter.

"I really didn't have time to think, it was just strap it up and get out there," Dillingham said. "It was just time to go out there and play football.

"It was go out and execute on these plays and do what you've been taught in practice. After the fact, it hit me but I kind of just got thrown in there and had to go with it."

The following week, Sports Illustrated featured receiver Maurice Stovall and the Irish on the cover with the text 'Return to Glory.'

"Guys saw it on magazine stands and we were all excited about it. To be on the cover of Sports Illustrated was a huge deal and the guys were excited about it," Dillingham said.

The Irish rode their quick start to eight wins to open the season. Notre Dame rose as high in the rankings as No. 4 following a win at Florida State.

"Coach Willingham had us believing that it was only a matter of how we were going to win and not if we were going to win," Dillingham said. "To have a new coach and a new offense just shows how much attitude plays into everything. We truly believed we could win every game we went into."

While the 8-0 start sticks out to most Irish fans, Dillingham picks out one moment as the best in his Notre Dame career — when Willingham awarded the thenpreferred walk-on a scholarship after the 2002 season.

"I took it as a sign that he trusted my work ethic, my role on the team. It was one of the greatest moments I've ever had in my whole life. It meant the world coming from him," Dillingham said. "It was awesome. It shows a sign of confidence from him and certifying my role on the team amongst my peers, my teammates. It was great and it meant everything at the time."

Despite his walk-on status, Dillingham was recruited to Notre Dame to play football. Prior to his arrival, the Irish had an abundance of quarterbacks with Holiday, Battle, Godsey, Jared Clark and Matt LoVecchio all manning the position.

Battle, Godsey and Clark all switched positions while LoVecchio transferred Indiana.

"I knew when I came to Notre Dame that the class ahead of me had quarterbacks. I was the only guy in my class so, to me, that seemed like a pretty good situation ... The positions were shuffled around and before you know it, I'm one play away. I was ready as I could be," Dillingham said.

After graduating from Notre Dame in December of 2004, Dillingham worked in investment banking before attending Stanford to receive his Masters in Business Administration (MBA). He earned his MBA in 2010.

Now, the Portola Valley, Calif., native has a new business venture: a moonshine whiskey business in Nashville, Tenn. With a friend from Stanford, Dillingham

started Windy Hill Spirits, a company yet to launch.

"We're excited to make a product in this country for our generation to be proud of," Dillingham said. "There's no national brand of moonshine whiskey today. Our fathers drink Jack Daniels but our generation does not have a whiskey to call our own. We think our generation is the niche."

The only difference between the 103-proof moonshine whiskey he will produce and the ones produced in the backwoods is that Windy Hill Spirits has a factory, Dillingham said.

"No one's really introduced it to the bars across America," Dillingham said. "There's no bar in South Bend you go to get a shot of moonshine or moonshine on the rocks."

Dillingham, 29, said Windy Hill Spirits should launch within the next year.

A full transcript of our interview with Pat Dillingham will be available Friday morning at ndsmcobserver.com

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Former Irish quarterback Pat Dillingham, 29, recently started Windy Hill Spirits, a moonshine whiskey business.

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weather the past two-plus years and come away in an even better situation is a testament to Swarbrick's leadership. Call me crazy, but I doubt Notre Dame would be in this position if Kevin White were still in charge of Irish athletics.

"This approach allows us to help promote ACC football while maintaining our traditional rivalries and a national schedule," Swarbrick said.

Football independence? Check.

National scheduling? Check. Improved bowl tie-ins? Check. Swarbrick made out like a

bandit in a series of events that will impact Notre Dame for decades to come.

At first glance, some will postulate that Notre Dame has essentially surrendered its football independence with the annual five-game ACC commitment, but they are wrong.

Essentially, the Irish have participated in a form of this agreement the past two seasons, and adding a couple more — Notre Dame will play each ACC school at least once every three years — will hardly cripple a program's ability to schedule USC, Michigan, Stanford, Michigan State and Navy on a consistent basis. If anything, it will eliminate the scheduling headscratchers like Western Michigan

(2010), South Florida (2011) and Massachusetts (2015).

The most underrated aspect of this agreement is the stability with non-BCS bowl tie-ins it affords the Irish. In 2012, Notre Dame could theoretically be left out in the dark if it fails to earn a BCS berth and if each conference achieves its bowl quota. With this deal, that's no longer the case beginning in 2014, as Notre Dame can substitute an eligible ACC squad if the Irish are within one win of that team.

A New Year's Eve date with a premier SEC school at the Chickfil-A Bowl sounds like a better consolation prize for missing out on the BCS than crossing your fingers for the Little Caesars Pizza Bowl in Detroit, does it not?

Swarbrick was able to achieve these ends for King Football without compromising the health of Notre Dame's other athletic programs. In reality, Wednesday's agreement strengthens it.

Men's basketball coach Mike Brey might never hop off cloud nine. His program jumps from the top basketball conference of old (Big East), for the ACC, a conference steeped in rich tradition with North Carolina and Duke that has been elevated by the impending arrivals of Pittsburgh, Syracuse and, now, Notre Dame.

Alignment with like-minded universities? Check.

Top-notch athletic exposure?

Recruiting along the eastern

seaboard? Check.

There remains just one item on Swarbrick's to-do list, and he'll need approval from University President Fr. John Jenkins to open the pocketbook on this one.

Strike a deal with the Big East to allow the Irish to forego their final year with the Big East. Join the ACC along with Pittsburgh and Syracuse for the 2013-14 season.

Knowing Swarbrick's track record, my guess is it will get it

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Happy Birthday: Your changing attitude may confuse others, but as long as you

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what you start and to continue moving in a direction that best suits your needs. Your numbers are 6, 13, 20, 27, 32, 35, 47.

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Love is in the stars, and making changes to the way you live will do you good. ★★★

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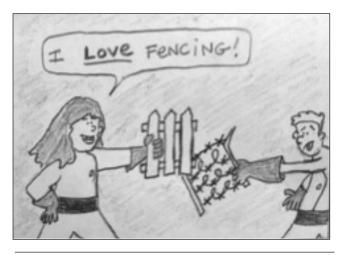
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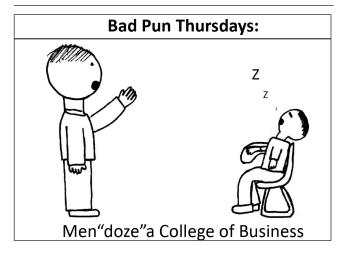
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Notre Dame Director of Athletics Jack Swarbrick addresses the media during his press conference Wednesday in the Isban Auditorium.

Notre Dame moves to ACC

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Notre Dame will leave the Big East and join the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) in all sports except football and hockey, the University announced Wednesday. Notre Dame will remain independent in football.

"We have monitored the changing conference landscape for many months and have concluded that moving to the ACC is the best course of action for us," Director of Athletics Jack Swarbrick said in a statement.

"The ACC was founded on the cornerstones of balancing academics, athletics and integrity," ACC Commissioner John Swofford said in a statement. "Our partnership with Notre Dame only strengthens this long-standing commitment. Notre Dame enhances the league's unique blend of public and private institutions that are international in scope.

"This is a terrific milestone in the evolution of the ACC and showcases tremendous solidarity and vision by our Council of Presidents."

The Big East has housed all Irish non-football and hockey sports for the past 17 years. Notre Dame has won 116 conference titles in the Big East, the most of any school since the Irish joined the conference in 1995.

The league requires a \$5 million exit fee and 27 months notice in order leave the league. Syracuse and Pittsburgh,

however, have paid higher exit fees to leave the conference early. They will both join the ACC in 2013.

The ACC has 12 current members — Miami, Florida State, Georgia Tech, Clemson, North Carolina, North Carolina State, Duke, Wake Forest, Virginia, Virginia Tech, Maryland and Boston College — stretching up and down the East Coast.

Swofford said the ACC will not look to add a 16th member for non-football sports. The league will remain at 14 teams and two divisions for football.

The ACC will also implement a new \$50 million exit fee, effective immediately and coming after speculation that Florida State and Clemson could join the Big 12.

With the move, the Irish football program must play five ACC opponents each year. Notre Dame will play each school at least once every three years. This season, the Irish football schedule features three current ACC members (Miami, Boston College and Wake Forest) and one future ACC school (Pittsburgh). The 2013 football schedule will have feature one ACC school — Pittsburgh.

"We're coming off a couple years where we play four ACC schools. We have two years scheduled in the future with four ACC teams. I'm not going to say there won't be any schedule changes because there will," Swarbrick said. "We're going to

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Other sports see ACC as upgrade

By ANDREW GASTELUM and MIKE MONACO

With the move to the ACC, Irish coach Randy Waldrum won't have to go out of his way anymore to schedule Notre Dame's powerhouse rival North Carolina. The Tar Heels have won 20 national championships, including five victories over the Irish in the College Cup final. But Notre Dame got its revenge in 2010, upsetting the heavily-favored Tar Heels in the round of 16 en route to a national championship.

"I'm ecstatic," Waldrum said. "It's the best conference in the country for women's soccer, and the fact that, probably the two best programs in the history of women's soccer, us and North Carolina, are going to get a chance to play each and every year is great for women's soccer."

Waldrum said the move also brings a recruiting edge to the Irish, who brought in the nation's top recruiting class in

"Playing in this conference is only going to help us with those very, very top players who want to not only go to a good school with good academics and a good program, but they also want to play against the best competition," he said."

In his 14th season as Irish

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Deal is a win for Irish, ACC



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Well, Notre Dame has done it

Eleven days after 35,000 Americans traveled overseas to watch the Irish play a football game, the University has once again paraded its relevance as a national brand.

After all, who else could accomplish what Notre Dame did on Wednesday?

For years, the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) had consistently and steadfastly rebuffed any notion of partial Notre Dame membership — it wanted the Irish to be all-in or all-out. The conference finally relented Wednesday and allowed the fabled football program to remain independent while

moving its other athletic teams (except hockey, which will move to Hockey East) to the ACC.

Maybe it was the threat of losg Florida State and Clemson to the Big 12, as has been rumored since the schools were reportedly unimpressed by the latest ACC television deal with ESPN. Maybe ACC commissioner John Swofford and company thought the conference needed to appease Notre Dame now or watch the Irish — and the trail of money behind them — disappear forever.

"Notre Dame enhances the league's unique blend of public and private institutions that are international in scope," Swofford said. "The collective alumni and fan bases cover the entire country with exceptionally strong roots up and down the Atlantic Coast."

In this deal, everyone wins.

Well, except the Big East.

With the announcement of five annual Notre Dame-ACC matchups, the conference has guaranteed itself the opportunity to pursue a more lucrative television pact. If that doesn't prevent discouraged members from departing, the newly-installed \$50 million departure fee should do the trick.

But if the deal is a home run for the ACC, it's a walk-off grand slam for Notre Dame.

Notre Dame Director of Athletics Jack Swarbrick has accomplished his top priority during the turbulent times of college football realignment and the tense transition from the Bowl Championship Series to the four-team playoff: preserve football independence.

That the Irish were able to

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