

ND, SMC address undocumented students

University revises admissions policy

By **TORI ROECK**
Associate News Editor

Notre Dame not only welcomed new students, faculty and staff to campus last week, but it also extended a welcome to undocumented applicants, whose admission to the University seemed nearly impossible in past years.

Director of Admissions Bob Mundy said undocumented applicants used to be considered international students who had to obtain a student visa before enrolling at Notre Dame.

"This process typically required that they leave the United

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Photo courtesy of WNIT Public Television

Saint Mary's junior Dara Marquez performs spoken-word poetry about immigration as part of WNIT Public Television's Rising Star Program. Marquez is an undocumented student.

Undocumented Saint Mary's student speaks out

By **KAITLYN RABACH**
Saint Mary's Editor

For at least the last five years, Saint Mary's College President Carol Ann Mooney adopted a policy of admitting and enrolling undocumented students, Vice President for Enrollment Management Mona Bowe said.

"Saint Mary's College does not discriminate on the basis of country of origin, so if a student meets the academic requirements for admission, she would be admitted to the College," Bowe said. "We believe it is in keeping with Catholic social justice teaching and legacy of the Sisters of Holy Cross that

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LGBTQ group chooses name

By **MARISA IATI**
Assistant Managing Editor

The student organization formed to address lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ) student issues will begin the academic year with a new name and an advisor.

Student body president Alex Coccia said several students who were involved with the 4 to 5 Movement, the unofficial AllianceND club and other organizations voted to name the new group "PrismND." The Office of Student Affairs has since approved the decision.

"The fact that [the name] reflects quite a spectrum and a range of interests and passions and identities, I think is something that people will identify with and appreciate when the group gets off the ground," Coccia said.

Christine Caron Gebhardt, director of the Gender Relations Center (GRC), said other universities use the name "Prism" for their LGBTQ student organizations. The GRC and student leaders added "ND" to the name of Notre Dame's organization to make it easier for the University's students to identify the club as a fixture at Notre Dame.

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Sophomore Connor Hayes, who helped to launch PrismND, said the name is intended to be all-inclusive, instead of specific to people who identify as LGBTQ.

"I think relating to the Catholic identity of [Notre Dame] and backgrounds of people coming from religious environments, [some] people don't really want to identify as gay or lesbian, so... we were just going for a name that was very inclusive," he said. "We wanted this name to be one that can last and kind of become a brand."

Maureen Doyle will work as the advisor for PrismND in her capacity as assistant director for LGBTQ student concerns. Doyle, who was hired over the summer, previously worked as the general manager of Legends of Notre Dame. She will begin her new job Sept. 2.

"My challenge that I'll put forward to the group is I'd love to see them think long-term and what kind of a legacy they want to leave behind within this first year, what

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HHS delays start of mandate

By **MARISA IATI**
Assistant Managing Editor

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On July 2, the Obama administration announced a one-year delay in implementing the final rules regarding the Affordable Care Act's mandated contraceptive coverage.

The White House released the final rules July 5, in response to concerns raised by non-profit religious organizations about the original healthcare proposal. The mandate will take effect in 2015.

The final rule states that an organization that objects to providing contraceptives on religious grounds can offer employees a plan that does not provide contraceptive coverage. The health insurer administering the plan then enrolls employees in a separate, individual, private policy that only covers contraceptives at no extra cost.

Notre Dame is self-insured.

A self-insured organization that objects to providing contraceptives can notify its third-party healthcare administrator that it objects.

The administrator then "notifies enrollees in the health plans that it is providing or arranging separate no-cost payments for contraceptive services for them for as long as they remain enrolled in the health plan," according to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) website.

University Spokesman Dennis Brown said, "We are studying the ruling and, once that's complete, will evaluate our options."

HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said on the department's website that the final rules guarantee women free access to preventive services recommended by the Institute of Medicine, an arm of the National Academies of Science.

"[The] announcement reinforces our commitment

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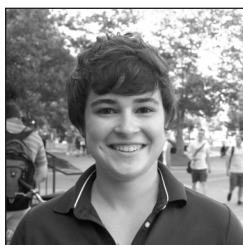
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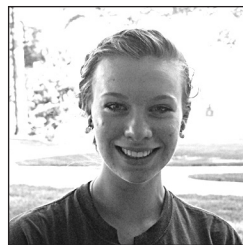
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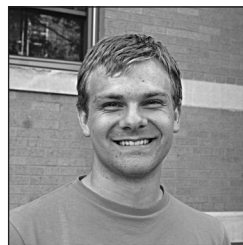
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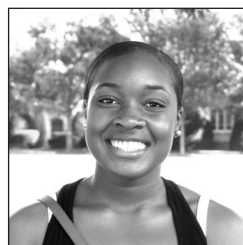
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Students and local residents look on as performers make balloon animals while walking on stilts at the annual Notre Dame Opening Picnic. The Notre Dame community gathered to celebrate the start of another school year Tuesday on DeBartolo Quad.

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Wellness Wednesday
Fieldhouse Mall
12:30 p.m.-2 p.m.
All Invited to come hula hoop.

Lecture: “Towards Malaria Elimination”
Galvin Life Sciences Center
4 p.m.-5 p.m.
George B. Craig, Jr. Memorial Lecture.

Thursday

Zen Meditation
Coleman-Morse Center
5:15 p.m.-6:15 p.m.
Meditation for students and faculty.

Film: “The New World”
DeBartolo Performing Arts Center
7 p.m.-9:15 p.m.
Screening of Terrence Malick’s epic.

Friday

Football Pep Rally
South Quad
6 p.m.-7 p.m.
Support Coach Kelly and the Fighting Irish.

Women’s Soccer
Alumni Stadium
5 p.m.-7 p.m.
Versus Oakland.

Saturday

Lecture: Saturdays with the Saints
Geddes Hall
10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Talk about Franz Jagerstatter.

Lecture: “Feeding, Function and Fossils”
Jordan Hall of Science
12 p.m.-1 p.m.
Part of the Science Exploration Series.

Sunday

Confirmation Info Session
Coleman-Morse Center
1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.
Learn about initiation into the Catholic Church.

Rejoice! Mass
Coleman-Morse Center
8 p.m.-9 p.m.
Mass rooted in the African-American tradition.

College earns 'Best in the Midwest' recognition

By **KELLY KONYA**
News Writer

For the 11th consecutive year, The Princeton Review has ranked Saint Mary's College among the best colleges and universities in the Midwest.

Gwen O'Brien, director of media relations at Saint Mary's, said the College was one of 155 institutions listed in the "Best of the Midwest" section of the Review's website feature "2014 Best Colleges: Region by Region" published in early August. According to The Princeton Review, the "Best in the Midwest" achievement is awarded to colleges and universities in twelve states: Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

The Princeton Review's publisher Robert Franek stated in an Aug. 8. Saint Mary's press release the list is compiled after many particulars have been considered.

"From several hundred schools in each region, we winnowed our list based on institutional data we collected directly from the schools, our visits to schools over the years, and the opinions of

our staff, plus college counselors and advisors whose recommendations we invite," Franek said. "We also take into account what students at the schools reported to us. Only schools that permit us to independently survey their students are eligible to be considered for our regional 'best' lists."

"Our commitment to an excellent intellectual and academic experience for our students is unwavering."

Carol Mooney
College President

Saint Mary's College President Carol Ann Mooney said she was delighted the College was recognized once more.

"We are very pleased to once again be included among The Princeton Review's 'Best in the Midwest,'" Mooney said. "Our commitment to an excellent intellectual and academic experience for our students is unwavering. Our graduates are our best recruiters. Their

accomplishments speak volumes about the quality of the educational experience they received here."

Junior Amanda Gilbert said she is pleased with her courses and believes the ranking will attract students from around the country to Saint Mary's.

"Every class that I take here is enlightening in different ways," Gilbert said. "I hope that being recognized like this will make our school even more appealing to students from places besides the Midwest."

Saint Mary's Vice President for Enrollment Management Mona Bowe agreed, saying this achievement helps get the word out about the College and its outstanding education.

"I hear families say that Saint Mary's is 'the best kept secret,'" Bowe said. "While we agree, we really strive to share the distinctiveness of Saint Mary's with as many people as possible. Being recognized by Forbes, Washington Monthly, or as is the case of being named a 'Best in the Midwest' institution by the Princeton Review, allows us to do just that."

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Admissions

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States and apply for that visa at an American embassy in another country, which made it very challenging," Mundy said.

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions now considers undocumented applicants as domestic students, Mundy said.

"We will now consider undocumented students for admission without the subsequent expectation that they receive a student visa to study at Notre Dame," he said. "We will also meet their demonstrated financial need, as we would for any admitted student."

Mundy said the University will follow Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) guidelines issued by the Department of Homeland Security to address undocumented applicants.

According to the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services website, DACA was initiated in 2012 and allows young people who entered the United States illegally under a certain age and fulfill certain criteria to receive a deportation stay for a period of two years, subject to renewal.

Mundy said University President Fr. John Jenkins launched a committee to look into Notre Dame's admission practices for undocumented students in April.

"This committee was guided by [Vice President for Mission Engagement and Church Affairs] Fr. Bill Lies and considered the practices of peer institutions, as well as the position of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops," Mundy said.

Student body president Alex Coccia and vice president Nancy Joyce released an online statement in support of the decision Aug. 23.

"With this decision, we join many of our fellow Catholic schools across the country who provide pathways to education for undocumented students," the statement read. "Our Catholic Tradition illustrates this as a moral obligation to our brothers and sisters, and our Catholic migrant history demonstrates our commitment to educating students 'where learning becomes service to justice.'"

Coccia's chief of staff Juan Rangel said Notre Dame had lagged behind other Catholic universities, including Saint Mary's College and Holy Cross College, in deciding to admit undocumented students.

"We were one of the few remaining Catholic universities that hadn't done this yet, so we were falling back," Rangel said. "This will allow us to catch up, especially with Catholic social teaching and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops being so active on this."

Rangel, who is also president of the Student Coalition for Immigration Advocacy, said the University's Catholic identity is crucial to its obligation to support undocumented students.

"We believe so strongly in caring for the least of our brothers and sisters, and at a time like this, when [undocumented students are] facing so many obstacles and risks and prejudices, this would be the opportune time to step forward in

that move," he said.

Senior Mark Gianfalla, president of the College Republicans, said he disagrees with the decision because it is not legally ethical.

"Basically, ... someone enters the country illegally and Notre Dame addresses their right to education and puts them above international students that have not broken a law to get here," Gianfalla said. "I know that Notre Dame emphasizes ethics across the board, and this is sending the wrong message to ignore the fact that these young people who entered the country illegally broke the law and were residing here for a long part illegally until 2012 when DACA was passed and now have a short stay period."

Gianfalla said the University is going beyond the position of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

"As a Catholic University, I think we should be more in touch with the fact that these are people that want a better life but at the same time went about it the wrong way," he said. "Although the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops supports eventual legalization of resident aliens, I believe that that's not the same thing that Notre Dame is doing."

Rangel said undocumented students are often unaware of their legal status until they begin college applications and have wholeheartedly assimilated into American life.

"Most of them come into the country before they are 18 years old without documentation but have felt American in every other sense of the word," he said. "They grew up in this country, usually, most of their life. They don't know any other way of living other than the American way of life."

Gianfalla said entering the United States at a young age does not excuse young people's decisions to remain here.

"Even if ... you didn't know you were breaking the law, staying here is still breaking the law, until you were granted the stay in 2012," he said. "That's what the DACA thing is; I can understand that. There comes a point where you need to make decisions for yourself, and at school we don't have our parents making decisions for us."

Gianfalla said he believes student government's support of the decision does not reflect the student body's opinions.

"I think student government has a fairly liberal agenda, and I think Notre Dame has to balance itself out and realize that it's a Catholic university with traditional values and not necessarily to listen to a small, outspoken minority on campus," he said. "The majority of the student body is politically conservative, and the student government in my opinion does not recognize that."

Rangel said he understands why people may be opposed to the University's decision, but he still thinks it's a good one.

"This is a great development for Notre Dame," he said.

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Saint Mary's admits undocumented students."

A student's status as undocumented would be confidential information and is protected under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), Bowe said.

"A student's status as undocumented is confidential," Bowe said. "However, some students might self-identify as undocumented. This may be to share her story with the College population and/or the media as a way to show the human side of the immigration issue. This would be her decision."

For junior Dara Marquez, a chemical engineering major, the decision to reveal her status as an undocumented immigrant on campus has allowed her to grow both academically and spiritually.

Marquez, originally from Mexico but now hailing from Elkhart, Ind., is now protected under "Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals" (DACA), a program unveiled by President Obama in 2012 giving young undocumented immigrants the right to remain here legally and work for at least two years, provided they are qualified applicants.

"Right now I have DACA status," Marquez said. "Meaning, I have temporary legal status in the United States and have received a temporary social security number to work. Immigration knows I am here, so now I can talk about my status without fear."

She said she attained DACA status while attending Saint Mary's but was admitted and enrolled as an undocumented student.

"Saint Mary's was really a blessing in disguise for me," Marquez

said. "I didn't think I would be able to come here because of the cost. I was originally planning on going to a state school because they tend to be cheaper, but with law changes my senior year of high school, public universities were getting more expensive for undocumented students and an administrator at my high school put Saint Mary's on my radar."

When she first came to Saint Mary's, Marquez said she was scared to admit her status as an undocumented immigrant to her admissions counselor. She said she is thankful she can discuss her status with College administrators, and for the financial assistance offered to her by the College.

"When my admissions counselor called about whether I was planning on enrolling or not, I had to tell her about my situation, including the financial situation of my undocumented family," Marquez said. "I will always remember her saying on the phone, 'Nothing is impossible. We will make it work.' And they did. They were very helpful in finding me scholarships and other types of aid not related to the government."

Bowe said undocumented students are not eligible for federal or state government aid, though no government regulations forbid private funding. As a private institution, Saint Mary's is free to determine independently how to distribute its financial aid.

"Saint Mary's awards financial aid for all students based on the student's individual financial need and/or academic merit, under one single policy," Bowe said. "Awarding less aid to one student does not mean additional aid for a different student, therefore, awarding aid to undocumented students does not take Saint

Mary's dollars away from other students."

Being a part of an undocumented family means the family does not enjoy a stable income, Marquez said. It can be difficult to know your parents have a job today but may not have one tomorrow, she said.

"Right now, I tell myself my parents are physically working every day for my education and I am working mentally," Marquez said. "Mentally, so one day I can say both my parents and I have worked hard enough for me to get my diploma and find a job that will not only support my family, but also one I am passionate about."

Marquez said she is grateful that her Saint Mary's education gave her the resources and opportunities to choose her own future.

"My dad came to the United States first, and my mom and I immigrated one year later," Marquez said. "My mom and I were separated for three months and when she got to Indiana I could not wait to show her our fridge full of the different soda pop flavors. Unlike in Mexico, she could choose from a variety of flavors. All I want is for my family to be able to choose again — to have the resources to choose a sustainable life."

Marquez said the campus community has overwhelmingly embraced her, even though she is an undocumented immigrant.

"I have never felt afraid to reveal my status on this campus," Marquez said. "It is a very welcoming community, and different departments like Campus Ministry and the Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership have made it a point to have panels and other types of dialogue about immigration as an issue. This has allowed students to put

a human face to the issue and I believe is one of the main reasons I have felt so welcomed into this community."

Marquez maintains a high profile on campus because she is a staunch advocate of immigration reform. Several Saint Mary's alumnae also have fought actively for the increased rights of undocumented immigrants.

Melody Alzarado, a 2012 graduate of the College who is originally from Nicaragua, worked on immigration issues during her time at Saint Mary's with La Fuerza, a club that promotes Latin-American culture on campus. She said her passion for immigration issues grew during her time at Saint Mary's, inspiring her to work with community development projects around the issue.

"I worked a lot with undocumented students and can honestly say these students are some of the strongest women I have ever encountered," Alzarado said. "They are driven individuals and I am grateful Saint Mary's does not discriminate against them based on their status. I think any school can benefit from these students and if they do not admit students based on their status they are missing out on a huge pool of strong, dedicated students."

Novice Sr. Jessica Brock, currently residing at the International Novitiate at Saint Mary's and the recipient of a Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Law and Master of Law degrees, has worked to promote awareness of immigration issues at Saint Mary's, Notre Dame and Holy Cross College. With her work, Brock has worked directly with undocumented students at Saint Mary's.

"My first impression is to be in awe of how strong the

undocumented women at Saint Mary's are," Brock said. "Just like any other talented students, these women want the same thing out of a Saint Mary's education, and I am absolutely inspired by their strength. They all have shown an incredible amount of maturity. Many of them are facing extreme financial challenges with financing their education and I have never heard them complain."

"I can without a doubt say they are some of the greatest leaders on campus."

Brock, Alzarado and Marquez said in order to increase discussion about the challenges facing undocumented students, the focus should be on creating dialogue and "getting more people at the table." The women said increasing dialogue is necessary in order to break down misconceptions and to create an open-minded, welcoming community.

"It is about putting a face to the issue," Marquez. "Once people realize [the issue] is more than politics and is actually about human dignity, the conversation changes"

Marquez said the nation will become stronger if conversation about immigration issues, specifically those issues concerning undocumented students, continues to grow.

"In President Obama's first State of the Union address, he talked about the need for our country to be more competitive and innovative," Marquez said. "Saint Mary's has allowed me to stimulate my mind, but everyone needs this right [to education]. Everyone should be able to contribute to this dream."

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to respect the concerns of houses of worship and other non-profit religious organizations that object to contraceptive coverage, while helping to ensure that women get the care they need, regardless of where they work," Sebelius said.

Law professor Rick Garnett, an expert on religious liberty cases, said litigation against the mandate likely will continue. He said some non-exempt religious organizations will argue that the final rules, like the original ones, impose a substantial and unnecessary burden on the free exercise of religion.

"In response, it will be contended that it is these groups' insurance carriers, and not the groups themselves, that are providing the objectionable coverage," Garnett said. "It is likely that different courts will resolve the issue in different ways, which raises the possibility that eventually, the Supreme Court will be

asked to weigh in."

In May 2012, Notre Dame filed one of more than 40 religious liberty lawsuits from faith-based organizations contesting the constitutionality of the contraception mandate. The lawsuit stated the mandate would go against Church teachings and therefore would violate the First Amendment, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act and other federal laws.

A federal judge dismissed Notre Dame's lawsuit in early January, when U.S. District Court Judge Robert Miller Jr. ruled the University's claim was not yet "ripe," meaning it was not ready to be litigated. This was the case because the rule regarding contraceptive coverage had not been finalized.

The University declined to provide public comment on the iteration of the mandate that the Obama administration proposed in February.

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PrismND

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kind of traditions they want to start," Doyle said. "They're setting up the success of the group for the next 20, 30, 40, 50, however many decades. "I really want them to keep the big picture in mind as they go through their first year and to think beyond just what they want to accomplish in the next 12 months, but what they really want to set up for future student leaders within the organization."

Doyle will serve on the advisory council on LGBTQ issues to Vice President for Student Affairs Erin Hoffmann Harding. She will also work with the GRC's FIRE Starters, who are peer educators that foster dialogue on issues of identity, gender and healthy relationships.

PrismND hopes to receive approval for its bylaws by Activities Night on Sept. 3, Hayes said. Coccia said the organization will then elect its leadership and begin to host regular meetings.

"The first year, especially the first semester, is just getting its feet off the ground, building the relationships that the student leaders need to build with staff members, with administrators, with the organization members," Coccia said. "And then starting to kind of see what events we can do toward the end of the fall

or the spring to really get our name out there and do the service ... that we've been emphasizing as a particular component of the group."

Gebhardt said she hopes PrismND will build relationships with other student organizations, the GRC, Campus Ministry and additional University departments.

"We realize this is about who we are as a community, and [PrismND is] one facet in which students can feel welcomed and loved and supported on this campus and that we will all work together to try to create the community that Notre Dame can be and I hope will be," Gebhardt said. "We want the student organization ... to emerge from the ideas and the interests and the hopes and dreams of the students in collaboration with all of us across campus."

Hayes said one of his goals in developing PrismND is to create a more visible LGBTQ presence on campus.

"I hope that there's some educational programming, maybe on a very formal, bring in a speaker point, but also kind of working with parts of the University, like the Gender Relations Center, to come up with educational programming for the student body, like going into dorms," he said.

PrismND will host social events and will serve as "a focal point for

the LGBTQ community on campus to kind of come together, and also to address concerns," Hayes said.

The organization's first event will be a picnic Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Coleman-Morse Center's lounge and patio.

Sophomore Bryan Ricketts, who also helped to begin PrismND, said he thinks the new student group will foster a smoother relationship between the Office of Student Affairs and LGBTQ students and their allies.

"In the past, the relationship has been one of winners and losers," Ricketts said. "The relationship that we are hoping to create in this organization will be a much more productive one on both ends."

Doyle said the formation of PrismND was "a great move for the University."

"I've had the opportunity to interact with some of the students who were instrumental in helping over the summer, and they're all really excited about it," she said. "I think they have a big challenge in front of them, but it's one that they're definitely ready for and excited about."

More information about PrismND is available at www3.nd.edu/~prismnd and on the group's Facebook and Twitter pages.

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Fires rage in Yosemite National Park

Associated Press

GROVELAND, Calif. — Unnaturally long intervals between wildfires and years of drought primed the Sierra Nevada for the explosive conflagration chewing up the rugged landscape on the edge of Yosemite National Park, forestry experts say.

The fire had ravaged 282 square miles by Tuesday, the biggest in the Sierra's recorded history and one of the largest on record in California.

Containment increased to 20 percent but the number of destroyed structures rose to 101 and some 4,500 structures remained threatened. The types of lost buildings were not specified. Firefighters were making stands at Tuolumne City and other mountain communities.

The blaze was just 40 acres when it was discovered near a road in Stanislaus National Forest on Aug. 17, but firefighters had no chance of stopping it in the early days.

Fueled by thick forest floor vegetation in steep river canyons, it exploded to 10,000 acres 36 hours later, then to 54,000 acres and 105,620 acres

within the next two days. On its 11th day it had surpassed 179,400 acres, becoming the seventh-largest California wildfire in records dating to 1932.

Federal forest ecologists say that historic policies of fire suppression to protect Sierra timber interests left a century's worth of fuel in the fire's path.

"That's called making the woodpile bigger," said Hugh Safford, an ecologist with the U.S. Forest Service in California.

Two years of drought and a constant slow warming across the Sierra Nevada also worked to turn the Rim Fire into an inferno. For years forest ecologists have warned that Western wildfires will only get worse.

"Every year the summer temperatures are a little warmer, hence the conditions for burning are a little more auspicious," said Safford. "People can deny it all they want but it's happening. Every year the fuels are a little bit drier."

The Rim Fire's exponential growth slowed only after hitting areas that had burned in the past two decades, and Safford says that shows the



Fire crews dig a fire line near Yosemite National Park. The fire has ravaged more than 250 miles of land and is the largest fire in the Sierra Nevada's history.

utility of prescribed and natural burns that clear brush and allow wildfires to move rapidly without killing trees.

"If you look at the Sierra Nevada as a whole, by far the largest portion hasn't seen a fire since the 1910s and 1920s, which is very unnatural," said Safford, who has authored several papers on the increasing wildlife severity across California's mountain ranges. "This one isn't stopping for a

while."

Since a 1988 fire impacted nearly one third of Yellowstone National Park, forestry officials have begun rethinking suppression policies. Yosemite has adopted an aggressive plan of prescribed burns while allowing backcountry fires caused by lightning strikes to burn unimpeded as long as they don't threaten park facilities.

"Yosemite is one of the biggest experimental landscapes

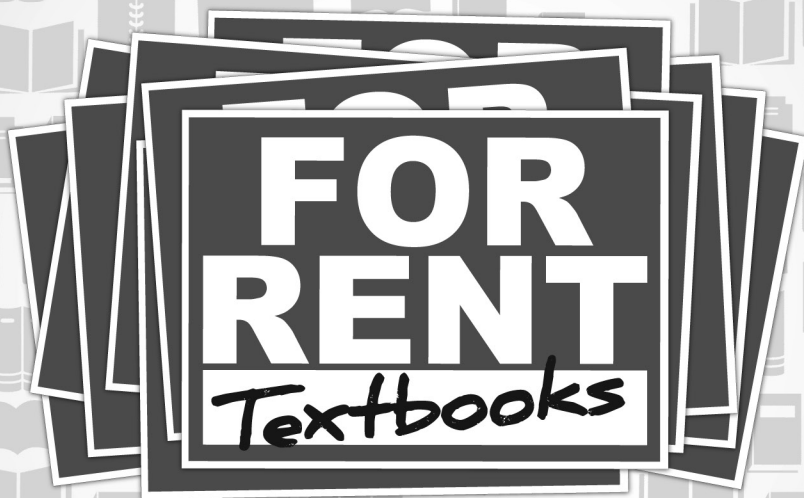
for prescribed fire and it's going to pay off," Safford said. "The Rim Fire is starting to hit all those old fire scars."

The 350-mile-long Sierra Nevada is a unique mountain system in the U.S. with its Mediterranean climate, which means four-to-six months of drought every summer. California's mountain flora is designed to burn and even flourish and regenerate healthier after a fast-moving fire.

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I had never known



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I had never been to Notre Dame before.

None of my family went here. I did not have any baby pictures with a Notre Dame sweatshirt on. I had never seen the dome before. I purposely stayed away from NBC on Saturdays in the fall.

But then the summer of 2008 happened. My dad and I embarked on a 17-day college road trip that spanned 16 states, 10 schools, two baseball games and two countries. And Notre Dame was a simple stop between Purdue and Michigan.

My first step on campus was somewhere in the stadium parking lot and my first ones at Main Building were up the steps. (And I have not done that since. So I have that going for me, which is nice.) I had no idea which one was Grace and which one was Flanner — oh, wait, that's still today. I had never figured out every walk is a seven-minute walk from Zahm (most of the time).

I did not know that snow that did not stick was not real snow. I had never slipped on ice before. I did not own a winter jacket or hat or boots or gloves because I had never needed them before.

I did not know what The Observer was and I sure did not think it would be one of my favorite things about Notre Dame. I did not think basements were places where people worked because I never had a basement. I had never been published in a college newspaper before.

I was clueless to the power of the flex points and had never played quad golf or broomball. I did not know Sbarro would soon be gone and Taco Bell would be other late-night drunk food option. I did not think eating a pint of Ben & Jerry's ice cream was acceptable (it is). I also did not know five-dollar footlongs were not a thing inside the Notre Dame bubble.

I had never been to the southern hemisphere, let alone Australia. I had never been cliff-jumping, wine-tasting or sailing. I had never pet a koala, kangaroo or quokka.

So what started as a measly road trip through the South, Midwest, Northeast and Mid-Atlantic has taken me to the other side of the world and 25 football games. It gave me friends all around the nation and even the world.

Five years ago, I had never been here before. Now I just hope I never have to leave.

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Two bishops and fifty million women

Fr. Kevin Nadolski

Faith Matters

Earlier this month, two bishops said significant things about women in the church. The one from Argentina represents 1.2 billion Catholics; the other, from Washington, spoke to most of the leaders of the 57,000 religious sisters in the United States.

Pope Francis, bishop of Rome, during the much-discussed airplane press conference as he left World Youth Day in Brazil, responded to two questions about the role of women in the church. His answers provide a window into his understanding of this all-important matter before the church today. He was direct, clear and unapologetic in precluding the ordination of women.

"That is closed; the door is closed," he said.

Surprisingly, this statement received little attention.

While few commented — positively or negatively — on his comments on women, these statements could energize anew the conversation about women in the church. In the affirmative, he called for a new theology of women.

"I think we must go further in making the role and charism of women more explicit. I think we have not yet made a profound theology of women in the Church," he said. "She can only do this or that, now she is an altar server, then she does the reading, she is president of Caritas. But there is more! A profound theology must be made of woman ... theological explicitness about this is lacking."

Even though he hailed the work of Pope Paul VI on this topic and knows Pope John Paul II's writings on the dignity and vocation of women, Pope Francis believes that more work needs to be done. In other words, what the church has put forth to date is insufficient.

Perhaps Archbishop Peter Sartain of Seattle, was heeding the

pope's call when just 12 days later he preached a homily on the the Assumption of Mary to 825 leaders of communities of religious women gathered for their annual assembly of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious (LCWR). Reflecting on the day's gospel reading where Mary assents to give birth to Jesus, he discussed the need for disciples to submit to God.

The context of Archbishop Sartain's preaching is important. As the Vatican-appointed supervisor of LCWR, he attended the meeting after an earlier assessment raised concerns about the group and its annual gatherings. I wonder how his exhortation to submit was heard, especially in a climate with questions about submission to the authority of the hierarchy.

However, another point in his homily, I think, could launch women into a more substantial and central role in the church, beyond the ordained ministries.

"In some ways, Mary's faith is like the faith of Abraham," he said. "Because Abraham went out not knowing where he was to go, God had simply said to Abraham, 'Go forth to the land that I will show you.' So he went forth on the basis of a promise of a promise. And, Mary did the same thing. Abraham went as the Lord directed him. Mary said, 'Be it done to me according to your will.'"

To characterize Mary as a new Abraham situates her as visionary, leader and chief spiritual parent. While she has been portrayed as the new Eve, here she is seen as a person whose legacy is based on someone who actually lived and who is praised as a founder of the faith that her son fulfilled.

Aligning Mary — a woman — with Abraham, who lived before the Levitical priesthood, helps shift the question of leadership for women in the church. Authentic, effective, life-giving and faith-founding leadership, grounded

in God's word, need not belong to someone who is ordained or a man.

Countless mothers, grandmothers, teachers and aunts have taught their loved ones how to pray and live a life with the sacraments. Most importantly, they taught and lived Jesus. Indeed, like Abraham, they are the parents of the faith, and without them, the church would be diminished exponentially, if not extinct. Many of them and more of their children and students went on to lead — with Christian faith — families, schools, hospitals, companies, communities and even countries.

Again, like Abraham, these women were visionaries, leaders and spiritual parents. Their epic impact has exceeded any one role. But, is it regarded — in and by the church — with appropriate acclaim, gratitude and honor?

If church leadership has closed the door of ordination to women, which doors need to open? Perhaps what first must open are ears to listen to them, eyes to see their work and fidelity and mouths and arms to thank them. This is so that we can celebrate Sarah and her daughters through the generations as much as her husband and the priests in a world, church and university that teaches that men and women are absolutely equal and essential in this community of faith that calls everyone to a vocation of service and holiness.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"You don't need fancy highbrow traditions or money to really learn. You just need people with the desire to better themselves."

Adam Cooper and Bill Collage
Screenplay Writers for "Accepted"

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Don't give up on politics now

John Sandberg
Sandman's Musing

Winston Churchill once said, "Politics is not a game. It is an earnest business."

Wait, what?

Given the current state of affairs, Churchill would have to forgive us for thinking he was joking when he said this.

I can't count the number of times I've been told by people my own age that they "hate politics" without offering much of an explanation. Yet sometimes it's hard for me to blame them.

Has there ever been a more difficult time to care about, much less enjoy, politics?

I don't know whether to laugh or cry when a couple weeks of emotional and behavioral therapy, the bill which is footed by the taxpayers, can be considered a concrete solution to one politician's questionable moral character.

In a place where legislators tell us bills must first be passed in order for us all to know what's in them, it's hard for me to look at the charade and see earnestness in the men and women doing

the business of public service.

When Chris Matthews uses an episode of "Hardball" to label some members of the opposing party as "political terrorists," it seems an easier time than ever to question whether "the place for politics" is the place for me.

And when the tune of trumpets sounding the end of one election cycle sounds like little more than the the starting gun for the next one, it's almost impossible to view the business of politics and see it as anything other than a game — a frivolous, expensive, sometimes comical, often times malicious and unending game.

Government has always been an enterprise made up of characters just as likely to inspire open palms to foreheads as standing applause. But with congressional approval threatening to dip into single digits throughout much of the past year, what has always been moderate disapproval is far too likely to become sheer apathy for politics at all levels.

Has there ever been a more difficult time to care about politics? By the looks of it, no.

And yet, has there ever been a more important time to care about politics?

Strangely, the answer to that is an equally resounding "no."

Why care about politics in the era of never-ending elections and overzealous cable news hosts?

Politics alone may not influence everyone but public policy does. And, for better or worse, politicians make the policy. You can't have one without the other.

The presidential election may not be until 2016, but there is that pesky — yet all important — 2014 midterm election before the race for the White House. Choosing who to put in office in 2014 is the most tangible way for us to have a say in the policies that are sure to affect us.

If elections aren't your thing, maybe the mere fact that politics can be so ridiculous is all the more reason to care.

After all, the problems won't fix themselves. Pretty soon, men and women from our generation will be the ones parading around CSPAN in bad haircuts and ill-fitted suits.

Shouldn't our generation be working to produce the best and the brightest to serve in office? It can only happen if we stay involved and start demanding more of those who serve.

And if that alone is not enough for some to become involved, perhaps looking at the world around us will. Involvement is a relatively easy thing in America.

Political engagement doesn't require us to dodge weapon fire in the street or make a choice between political action and our lives. It merely requires staying informed and refusing to give in to the temptation to tune out political discourse when it comes up.

Maybe, if for no other reason, we will choose to care more about politics simply because we can do so free from fear.

Depending on who you are, politics may never be enjoyable. But at the very least everyone can choose to care about the process itself.

Who knows, maybe it's the first and most important step in making the earnest business of politics a reality rather than a joke.

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A profile of courage in Chicago

Adam Newman
Scientia Potentia Est

John Kennedy's 1957 Pulitzer Prize winning book, "Profiles in Courage," tells the story of eight senators who defied the interests of their party and/or the wishes of their constituents by doing what they believed was right.

A magnificent work that spans American history, "Profiles in Courage" today largely seems to tell a story of a time past than present, as there is far less courage in politics to write of today.

There are many reasons why, including the increased influence of money in politics, the rise in superpac funding that allows unlimited campaign donations from any union, be it individual or corporation. Political primaries driven by ideological extremes, the polarization of the media and gerrymandering districts are also a few main ones.

However, one unlikely member of the Democratic party, Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel, has shown why he deserves a profile in courage for the reforms he has backed for the Chicago Public Schools System.

Over the past 10 years, Chicago has experienced major demographic and population changes. The number of school-age children (five- to

19-years old) has declined by 18 percent between 2000 and 2010, according to census data. This has led the CPS System, with a capacity of 500,000 seats, to only welcome approximately 400,000 students and allow 140 of the 681 schools to be half-empty or more. Most of these half-empty schools are in the heavily African-American south and west neighborhoods, as the African American population has declined by 17 percent over the past decade.

The relatively low number of CPS students, in addition to the bad economy, has led CPS to face a staggering \$1 billion deficit in 2013. In response, in May 2013, Emanuel's administration announced the closing of 49 elementary schools and one high school. There has been a major outrage over this decision for many reasons, but one of the most pressing has been layoff of over 2,000 teachers and other employees of CPS.

In a 21st-century world, providing highly effective government services at a low cost is crucial to attracting new residents, attracting business investment and growing the local economy. However, aligning policies with this vision has been nearly impossible due to politics. Chicago politicians, similar to politicians in other major cities, have used government services as a way to allow their constituents secure, decent paying jobs. While sanitation workers and

janitors individually do not have much power, they have organized into large and politically powerful groups that provide their political leaders votes and campaign contributions in exchange for protecting their financial interests. This has led to policies made to benefit the special interest groups within government at the expense of the population as a whole.

While many believe it is important to protect government workers, they should know that no city with a bloated public sector can maximize its economic potential. Inefficiencies in government may save the jobs of government workers, but the subsequently necessary increase in tax revenues and cutting in other investments stifles economic growth that hurts everyone else. This is neither a Democratic nor Republican idea — it is simple economics.

There is no doubt that it is tragic for anyone to lose a job, especially in a bad economy. It is simply the way an organization must conduct itself. Top-flight organizations, such as Goldman Sachs and others have been forced to make layoffs and consolidate offices in recent years due to the economic downturn in order to stay not just solvent, but competitive. While the plan will save \$560 million over ten years, CPS will invest over \$200 million into the consolidated schools that will welcome

displaced students.

The Chicago Teachers Union (CTU) and other advocacy groups representing education workers have fought back bitterly against the cuts. The president of the CTU has called the plan "racist" and called Emanuel a "bully" and "liar". The union has also geared up to challenge Emanuel during his re-election in 2015. With 30,000 members — all of whom live in Chicago — and deep financial assets, they will certainly make his re-election much more difficult.

Emanuel has said in response to the criticism and electoral threats, "I will absorb the political consequences so our children have a better future. If I was to shrink from something the city has discussed for over a decade about what it needed to do ... because it was politically too tough, but then watch another generation of children drop out or fail in their reading and math, I don't want to hold the job."

There is no doubt that Rahm Emanuel is exactly what the city of Chicago needs after decades of politicians with too much profile and too little courage.

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A LOOK AT SUMMER MOVIES AND TELEVISION

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It's been a memorable summer. Maybe you traveled abroad, took on a part-time job or internship or just sat on your couch making full use of your Netflix account and watching five seasons of "Breaking Bad." Whatever you pursued during the summer months, time to face the music: it's over. Reflecting on the summer's highs and lows always provides a nice concluding note, but unfortunately, I only know how to talk about movies and TV, so I'll stick with that.

Most Surprising Disappointment of the Summer: "Man of Steel"

I know I wasn't alone in my excitement for "Man of Steel" to premiere. Fanboys and superhero fanatics alike were awed by the trailers, kept updated on all of the exciting casting and production choices and believed this was the Superman movie we've been waiting for. While the action sequences reached exhilarating heights, there was a lack of focus on character development and story pacing — two things an origin story like this desperately needs in order to be a success. While there were some great performances from (most of) the leading cast of actors, it was nearly impossible to connect with some of these characters. There also seemed to be a confliction in tone between the fast-paced action of director Zach Snyder and the dark emotion of producer Christopher Nolan. Thankfully, Warner Brothers isn't giving up on this franchise. This is only the beginning of a hopefully promising future for DC Comic movies. While they're already on the fast track for the "Superman vs. Batman" follow up, many of us just wish that "Man of Steel" would have started things off right. At least we have Ben-Batman-Affleck to look forward to (or maybe that's just me).



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Least Surprising Disappointment of the Summer: "After Earth"

M. Night Shyamalan directed this film. If anyone was expecting it to be anything other than a disappointment, then I'd assume they don't even know who M. Night Shyamalan is. "But it has Will Smith!," you might say. Yes, excellent point, but not only does Big Willie Style play an emotionless robot of a father/military officer, also about 80 percent of the screen time is taken up by his son, Jaden, as he roams the wilderness alone. No matter how much you liked Jaden Smith in the new "Karate Kid," I doubt you wanted to see him carry an entire film. The most surprising part of this movie is that Will Smith came up with the concept and skipped out on playing the lead role in "Django Unchained" to pursue his concept to "seek" out the director of "The Happening" and "The Last Airbender" to bring his story to life. I think Will Smith needs some time to reevaluate his recent life choices — perhaps it's time he moves back in with his auntie and uncle in Bel Air'.

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Most Surprising Success of the Summer: "World War Z"

It was enough of a surprise that the film brought in \$526 million globally, but what was more shocking to critics and audiences members alike was that the movie ... wasn't awful. From the beginning, this movie seemed like it would be an epic disaster. The early trailers didn't look promising and there were production problems from Day One. Even the ending had to be re-written entirely by the infamous Damon



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Lindelof (Lindelof is from "Lost," "Prometheus" and anything else that left people scratching their heads). This is not to say that the film was outstanding, but it overcame massive odds and an overall lack of public faith and delivered one of the most solid performances of the summer. Then again, audiences just can't resist Brad Pitt as a zombie-annihilating family man.

Least Surprising Success of the Summer: "This is the End"

Seth Rogen and writing/directing partner Evan Goldberg took a risk this summer: focusing an entire movie on actors playing (hilariously) exaggerated versions of themselves ... while surviving the apocalypse. Sounds funny and original, but it was definitely still a bit of a gamble. Thankfully, when your main cast includes Seth Rogen, Jay Baruchel, James Franco, Jonah Hill ("Dear God, it's me, Jonah Hill ... from 'Moneyball'") and the rest of the Apatow crew, you're almost guaranteed a commercial hit — and that's exactly what he delivered. Critics praised it, audiences couldn't stop quoting it and it exceeded its budget by nearly \$81 million. The movie also included as many cameo appearances as the legendary battle scene in "Anchorman," including Michael Cera, Emma Watson and an unforgettable group appearance to end the movie on a major high note. If you find the time to see this movie, you'll understand why this was the funniest of the summer.

"Arrested Development" Returns:

After a dreadfully long seven-year absence, the Bluth family is finally back and as absurd as ever. The cult comedy, often lauded by critics and audiences alike as the funniest show of all time, overcame grand odds and scheduling conflicts to reunite the beloved cast for another 14 episodes in a deal with Netflix. Granted, the show could only focus on one or two characters per episode and some of the story lines were duds, but when "Arrested Development" got it right, fans remembered exactly why they fell in love with this hysterically dysfunctional family nearly a decade ago. It's amazing to see how a show featuring ostrich attacks, sexually confused magicians, elderly mixed-race prison gangs, Liza Minnelli and countless puns and inside jokes can remain so consistently intelligent and witty. The show may not be exactly how you remember it, but with a brand new season of the beloved show and the promise of more seasons and a follow-up movie (which is apparently full steam ahead), there's not much to complain about. It's "a-nu-start" indeed.



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"The Office" Ends:

Many people believe that the beloved "mockumentary" sitcom, "The Office," overstayed its welcome by sustaining its nine-season run. Plot lines were running thin, major characters like Steve Carell's Michael Scott left the show behind and eventually, audiences began to question why they should still care about the Dunder Mifflin crew. In the show's final season, the show reignited its classic spark with the return of Greg Daniels, the original series producer, and with the development of a clear end for this story. While the episodes gradually evidenced a return to the show's

former glory (despite a few missteps), what was truly a pleasure to watch was the episode that closed this staple of primetime televised comedy: the finale. Jumping several months into the future, the finale shows us what has become of the Dunder Mifflin employees as Dwight and Angela's wedding approaches. Every character, great or small, gets their time in the spotlight and the appropriate closure to each of their storylines. We see just how much these people have bonded over the years as their lives begin to take drastic and exciting new turns. It is as funny as it is heartwarming, from the bachelor party involving bazookas and marital kidnapping to the brief, yet unforgettable return of Michael Scott. As a longtime fan of "The Office," I can say that this show got the ending it truly deserved.



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How I Met Your Mother's "Big Reveal" (Obvious Spoilers):

With the news of a ninth and final season of the CBS comedic hit, audiences couldn't help but debate how this past season would end. What we got was a lackluster episode of the gang preparing for their futures, including, most importantly, Barney and Robin's wedding. But if you could make it through those first 23 out of 24 minutes of uneventful she-nanigans, fans were treated to what they've been waiting nine long years for: the identity of the mother. Theories have been thrown out since the first season as to who this mystery woman may be, but the producers of "HIMYM" had taken all necessary steps to keep her a secret. So who was the girl under the yellow umbrella? Cristin Milioti: a Broadway and television actress. She has made appearances on "30 Rock" (as the "sexy baby" comedian) and "The Sopranos," but she is most recognized for her leading performance in the hit Broadway show "Once." While the opinions are mixed, keep in mind that the producers have been searching a long time for this girl, so clearly, they chose Milioti for good reason. She's funny, cute, apparently has killer ukulele skills and, most importantly, isn't a big-name actress. While Ted won't meet her until the end of the series, she will become a full-time cast member this season as she meets the rest of the gang. Just wait for it — I'm sure she'll be legendary.



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NOTRE DAME SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL BRINGS ‘RICHARD III’ TO THE STAGE



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Combine the sarcasm, selfishness and style of Chuck Bass and a strong dose of power-hungry, medieval villainy, and you get Notre Dame Shakespeare Festival’s “Richard III.”

By far the best part of this production is Richard, Duke of Gloucester (Michael Gotch). His devilish wit has you laughing from the start of the play, even though his bloody, heartless villainy should have you weeping in the aisles.

While the rest of the play came off as slightly mechanical and uninspired, Gotch’s smile and cutting remarks make the play well worth your time, Shakespeare scholar or not.

As of last Wednesday’s opening night, I had never read the play (English major here for the win), so here’s a short summary to help you navigate this tragic comedy.

The disfigured Richard, Duke of Gloucester is hell-bent on becoming king of England, but he also takes perverse pleasure in mocking, betraying and murdering his friends and family to get to the top. For example, Richard killed Lady Anne’s husband and father-in-law but successfully wooed her next to her former husband’s corpse.

One by one, Richard disassembles the hierarchy that separates him from the throne. The only one who

stands up to Richard is Queen Margaret, who shrieks curses calling for vengeance to fall upon the scheming Richard’s head. (Pay attention: Marge can give you some pretty creative swear ideas.)

The final straw is the cold murder of the crown prince and his little brother in the Tower of London. In protest, the Earl of Richmond (eventually Henry VII) raises troops to stop the bloodthirsty Richard.

Visions of Richard’s victims haunt him as they cheer for his opponent the night before the battle.

Before dawn the two men awake, arm themselves and lead their men to the field.

I’ll stop there.

This play is a must-see because it will remind you just how hilarious Shakespeare can be, and Gotch totally nails the likeable villain role.

In terms of set and costume, the towering hall easily adjusts to fit the action in each scene. The costumes, especially of Lady Anne and Queen Elizabeth, were beaded and fantasy-like, a sort of muted version of something from Game of Thrones.

Richard and his henchmen, however, look like they just jumped out of a metrosexual version of Assassin’s Creed, with dramatic hoods and too-tight pants.

The stage fighting left something to be desired, the swordsmen feinting and paring in slow motion and missing each other by miles. But only one cast member made a noticeable mistake in his delivery, a kink I expect to be ironed out as the production continues.

The cast is talented down to the youngest member, Sam Villagra-Stanton, age 10, who was wonderfully articulate and courageous on stage. My favorite actor by far was Lady Anne (Elizabeth Ledo) who draws the eye, no matter where she stands on stage.

She is a compelling actress — poised, bright and thoroughly convincing. By marrying her father’s and husband’s murderer, she embodies the central conflict of the play: the natural family order dissembled by an evil but completely human influence.

Although Richard’s methods are satanic and twisted, Gotch effuses irresistible charm. There’s something about his impish smile and lively eyes — you can’t help but root for him. Just as he seduced the stony Lady Anne from her father’s grave, Gotch’s guiles magic the audience as well.

It’s not until you find yourself laughing out loud at Richard’s abuses that you realize you’re as flawed as his character.

Prompting this inadvertent self-reflection is Shakespeare’s signature move, and director Laura Gordon did well by capitalizing on Gotch’s skill to draw out those brilliant moments in the script.

The play runs for approximately three hours with a brief intermission through Sept. 1 in the Philbin Studio Theater at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Regular tickets are \$25 and student tickets are \$12.

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CLEARING THE AIR

By **SCENE STAFF**

We were all gone for a whole summer and some of us were abroad last spring, which raises the question, how did you get by without hearing our opinions? Well, we figured it'd be a good idea just to get out everything we feel we need to say about the last few months in the pop culture world, and get a fresh start on the school year.

Robin, please consult the following: bug me, mug me, slug me, rugby, pug me, dug me, jug me, lug me, tug me.

Don’t knock it ‘til you try it: Bat-Affleck forever.

Sweet Frozen Bananas, Arrested Development is back! #anustart.

Kendrick Lamar is the GOAT (Greatest of All Time).

“Radioactive” is the worst thing to happen to my aural orifices since — no, it’s the worst thing.

If “Cups” wasn’t your favorite song of the summer, you have a serious lack of critical thinking/morals/humanity.

If there was ever proof for the non-existence of God, it’s the fact that they wouldn’t let me request “Cups” at the Backer last weekend.

Cups.

Let’s be honest, Mary Lambert saying, “she keeps me warm,” is what makes “Same Love.” Oh, and the song’s message is good, too.

The Middle East is on the brink, the global economy is dubious at best and P!nk still makes music. Amidst all of this, Kim Kardashian existing is still the greatest calamity of our age.

“Listen to Vampire Weekend’s ‘Modern Vampires of the City.’ You’re gonna like the way it sounds, I guarantee it.” — Men’s Wearhouse, if they listened to “Modern Vampires of the City.”

Carrot Facts was the greatest thing ever to happen to Twitter, that is until the creation of Hot Dogs or Legs.

Nickelback didn’t make music this summer?

I didn’t really like “Yeezus” as much as I thought I would, and I’m going to assume the blame lies with Kim Kardashian and not with Kanye.

I know Tupac is really dead because if he was alive, Kendrick Lamar would never have gotten away with that fourth-grade Valentine’s Day card of a call-out verse.

In the past year I’ve seen “Movie 43,” “Battleship,” “Scary Movie 5” and “Killer Clowns from Outer Space,” and yet none of them even comes close to being as bad as “Spring Breakers.”

The number of times I’ve yelled “I am the danger!” at my friends while playing video games is bordering on aggressive. Thank you, Walter White.

Season Four of “Arrested Development” wasn’t that good. Let’s just call it what it is.

Aaron Carter is coming to Fever in a few weeks. At 6 p.m. On a Tuesday. Second grade me would still think that’s stupid.

SPORTS AUTHORITY

Looking into the crystal ball



Jack Hefferon
Sports Writer

I hate prediction columns.

Long utilized by columnists everywhere, a column full of bold guesses is an easy antidote for an impending deadline, and is the perfect crime of opinion writing. In the short term, an outlandish prediction brings attention to the “tortured genius” involved (something “geniuses” like Stephen A. Smith and Skip Bayless have mastered). The hype lasts through time but the details are usually forgotten, clearing the writer of most accountability.

The only person left to care about the forecast is the forecaster himself, who can then dig successful predictions out of the pile and show how prophetic he truly is. Even when the prediction is wrong, the mistake can still be spun into more attention and hype.

But, writing this column as a 20-year, 364-day and roughly 20-hour-year-old, I hope you’ll allow me to indulge. Here are some things I think will happen this upcoming football season:

Jadeveon Clowney wins the Heisman

South Carolina defensive end Clowney weighs 275 pounds and runs the 40-yard dash in about 4.5 seconds, but I think there’s even more momentum here than that. The Heisman Trophy has been handed out since 1935, but a solely defensive player has never won the award. The constant gripe that only offensive skill players win the Heisman often has been spoken, yet never acted upon. But the grumblings have grown with every passing year, and the time seems right for an elite defender to break through. Manti Te’o’s senior season may have been an enigma but it was another step in this process, and afterward the bruisers on the other side of the ball are closer than ever to some glory.

Ohio State quarterback Braxton Miller will put up big numbers as the Buckeyes steamroll over the Big Ten. But if Clowney can surpass the 13 sacks and 23.5 tackles for loss he had last season, the Heisman Trophy won’t need a ball anymore.

Johnny Football plays ... for now

Speaking of the Heisman, let’s talk about its most recent winner — Texas A&M quarterback Jonathan Manziel. While you’re reading this, Johnny Football’s future is in jeopardy. Manziel met with NCAA investigators for six hours earlier this week in connection

to allegations that he signed autographs for money, and his status for the Aggies’ season opener this weekend is in doubt.

There seems to be evidence that Manziel did sign memorabilia for cash, but no one with that knowledge seems to be volunteering it to the NCAA. By the time Johnny is an afterthought in the NFL, the NCAA will put the pieces together and strip Manziel of his Heisman. But in the meantime, the Johnny Football show will roll on.

Honey Badger bounces back

Twenty-one months ago, Tyrann Mathieu was a household name — or at least, a household nickname. During his time in LSU’s secondary, the Honey Badger tore up college football with his hard-hitting style, and his electric punt returns added extra syllables to cuss words across the South.

However, Mathieu was dismissed from the team in 2012 and ran into trouble with marijuana charges on multiple occasions. But after sitting out last season, Mathieu was selected by the Arizona Cardinals with a third-round pick and has impressed former critics this preseason. He may not be an All-Pro, but look for some SportsCenter Top 10-worthy plays out of the Honey Badger.

RGIII is never the same

Often when an athlete suffers a severe knee injury, the worry is that they won’t have the confidence and trust to move with the same explosiveness they used to. You could call this Boobie Miles syndrome, after the running back of “Friday Night Lights” (the book and the movie) fame.

Washington Redskins quarterback Robert Griffin III may have the opposite problem. After blowing out his knee in last year’s playoffs Griffin continued to play, hobbling around until he reinjured it further.

Now, Griffin is claiming his knee is back at 100 percent, and he’s ready to be the same elusive phenom he was last season. But with the athleticism of NFL defenses, even the smallest nick can be the difference between getting out of bounds and taking a beating. Griffin may bring back the swagger in Washington when he returns this fall, but he’ll be back on the injury list within a few years.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Aggies prepare for life without Johnny Football

Associated Press

Johnny Football was the elephant in the room Tuesday at Texas A&M.

The seventh-ranked Aggies head into Saturday’s home opener against Rice with questions still swirling about whether Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback Johnny Manziel will play against the Owls. The NCAA is investigating whether he was paid for his autograph, a potential violation of amateurism rules that could threaten his eligibility.

It was the only thing anyone really wanted to talk about on Tuesday when the Aggies addressed the media. The topic, however, was off limits.

Athletic director Eric Hyman said Monday night that he’d instructed everyone in the program not to talk about Manziel. And if that wasn’t clear enough, a member of the sports information department slowly and sternly read the statement, not once, but twice during the session.

Reporters asked anyway, and coach Kevin Sumlin did what Hyman asked.

“We’re not discussing that,” he said. “I thought we went over that right from the beginning.”

He later added that they have a plan for any number of situations that could happen with their players and team, and that they plan for the possible absence of players every week.

ESPN, citing an anonymous source, reported that Manziel met with NCAA investigators over the weekend. CBSSports.com, also citing anonymous sources, reported that Manziel told the investigators he didn’t take money for his autograph.

While Sumlin wouldn’t discuss Manziel’s availability for Week 1, he had no problem talking about whether football has helped the quarterback deal with everything going on off the field.

“I know he likes to play football,” Sumlin said. “I think the structure that he has had since Aug. 4 has been nothing but helpful.”

If Manziel doesn’t play against the Owls, the Aggies will use either junior Matt Joeckel or freshman Kenny Hill. Joeckel is more of a pocket passer and Hill is a dual-threat quarterback. Joeckel has thrown just 11 passes in his college career. Hill, who starred at Texas high school powerhouse Southlake Carroll, threw for 2,291 yards and 20 TDs and ran for 905 yards and 22 more scores as a senior last season.

Sumlin said the competition between the two is ongoing, and that he’s been pleased with the progress of both players. He said it helps his team because they’ve always allowed all quarterbacks to get work with the first team.

“Anybody who has been around knows that we rotate players with the first team, has seen us rotate snaps with the first team and because of that I think it gives your team a chance to develop a relationship or camaraderie with that first team if something happens,” Sumlin said.

Sumlin is confident that Texas A&M’s offense will be OK no matter who’s running the show because of his offensive line. The group, led by left tackle Jake Matthews, is expected to be a strength despite losing Matt’s twin brother, Luke Joeckel, when he was selected

second overall in the draft. Matthews, the son of NFL Hall of Famer Bruce Matthews, will be joined on the line this season by little brother Mike Matthews at center.

“We’ve got a really solid offensive line which takes a little bit of the pressure off Matt and Kenny,” Sumlin said. “When Johnny’s taking snaps, when he’s in there he’s really trying to help the perimeter guys. Our offensive line gives us an opportunity to rotate those quarterbacks and have them be successful.”

Senior running back Ben Malena is confident that Joeckel or Hill could ably fill in at quarterback if necessary.

“Both of those guys have really done great things when they’ve got their opportunities in practice,” he said. “They have both had opportunities to make plays and they have. It’s a great competition.”

The uncertainty surrounding Manziel has put a damper on the excitement surrounding the Aggies after they finished 11-2 in their first SEC season. Without naming Manziel, Sumlin was asked how he balances the needs of a player over those of the team. He then likened his team to a family, saying that many things are done and said behind closed doors the public will never know about.

But he did share his philosophy on leading the Aggies.

“There’s nothing more important than the team,” he said. “We talk to them about what we expect from them on the field, what we expect from them off the field and what we expect from them effort-wise and accountability-wise and being able to trust each other.”

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Guess what? I have flaws. What are they? Oh I dunno, I sing in the shower? Sometimes I spend too much time volunteering. Occasionally I’ll hit somebody with my car. So sue me-- no, don’t sue me. That is opposite the point I’m trying to make.

-Michael Scott

There is a master key and a spare key for the office. Dwight has them both. When I asked, “what if you die, Dwight? How will we get into the office?” He said, “if I’m dead, you guys have been dead for weeks.”

-Pam Beesley

Wikipedia is the best thing ever. Anyone in the world can write anything they want about any subject. So you know you’re getting the best possible information.

-Michael Scott

I kinda know what it’s like to be in commercials. My nickname in high school was Kool-Aid Man.

-Kevin Malone

I don’t have a lot of experience with vampires, but I have hunted werewolves. I shot one once, but by the time I got to it, it had turned back into my neighbor’s dog.

-Dwight Schrute

I wake up every morning in a bed that’s too small, drive my daughter to a school that’s too expensive, and then I go to work to a job for which I get paid too little, but on pretzel day? Well, I like pretzel day.

-Stanley Hudson

I will go to New Zealand and walk the Lord of the Rings trail to Mordor.

-Dwight Schrute

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MEN'S GOLF

Momentum propels Irish into ACC

By **MERI KELLY**
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After finishing third in the Big East Championship last season, the Irish look forward to building on their success.

This season will be a little different for Notre Dame, however, as the Irish will no longer compete in the Big East but in the ACC, where they will face off against powerhouses such as Duke and North Carolina.

Despite the loss of one of Notre Dame's top individual finishers, Paul McNamara, the Irish will return sophomore Cory Sciupider, who finished third in the Big East Championship, and junior Niall Platt, who had the lowest scoring average for the team last season.

"Niall has played every varsity event since arriving here as a freshman," Irish coach Jim Kubinski said. His experience is a big plus in our lineup. [Platt and Sciupider both] earned their first individual collegiate wins last season, so they'll look to build upon that success."

Kubinski said the Irish are also looking toward senior Andrew Lane and junior Tyler Wingo to step up and lead the team.

"Both Andrew and Tyler played in this summer's U.S. Amateur, which is a great honor, so their experience is also important to us," Kubinski said.

The Irish are also bringing in three freshman golfers. Kubinski said the newcomers are all capable of earning a starting spot and competing individually for the Irish.

"I'm excited by this class," Kubinski said of the freshmen. "They've shown maturity beyond their years so far, which can only expedite their learning curve."

This season, the Irish will travel all around the country, playing in tournaments in San Diego, Naples, Fla. and San Antonio, among other places. Kubinski said the team is very excited about its upcoming travels.

"We're ready for our schedule this year," Kubinski said. "We're playing several courses that have served as major championship venues, such as Crooked Stick [in Carmel, Ind.], Kiawah's Ocean Course [in Kiawah Island, S.C.] and Oak Hill [in Rochester, N.Y.]."

The Irish will start their season when they travel to Independence, Minn., on Sept. 8 for the Gopher Invitational.

Kubinski said his team has improved greatly and he has no doubt it will succeed.

"We have a group of talented young player, who have worked hard and gained experience," he said. "I'm looking forward to getting the season started and seeing more fight back in the Irish this year."

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Irish junior Patrick Grahek lines up his shot while competing in the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic on Oct. 9. Grahek is one of seven upperclassmen on Notre Dame's lineup this season.

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U.S. OPEN

Victorino leads Red Sox to victory

Associated Press

BOSTON — Shane Victorino homered twice and drove in a career-high seven runs to lead the Boston Red Sox to a 13-2 victory over the Baltimore Orioles on Tuesday night.

Felix Doubront pitched 6 2-3 innings of four-hit ball for AL East-leading Boston.

Victorino also had a two-run double in the seventh, and Dustin Pedroia had three hits for the Red Sox.

J.J. Hardy and Danny Valencia each had two of Baltimore's four hits. Wei-Yin Chen (7-7) lasted just 3 2-3 innings, allowing eight runs on eight hits and three walks. He struck out five and hit a batter.

Doubront (10-6) had only one bad inning, allowing the first four batters in Baltimore's two-run third to reach. But he retired 14 of the next 16 before leaving

to a standing ovation from the Fenway Park crowd of 36,226.

In all, Doubront gave up two runs on four hits, a walk and a hit batsman. He struck out seven and has allowed three or fewer runs in 21 of 24 starts.

Victorino started the scoring in the first when he walked, took third on Pedroia's double and scored on David Ortiz's sacrifice fly. After Doubront allowed his only runs in the third to give the Orioles a 2-1 lead, Boston came back in the bottom half with two of their own when Will Middlebrooks singled and scored on Victorino's two-run shot.

Mike Napoli led off the fourth with a homer to spark a five-run inning and chase Chen. Boston added three more in the fifth on Victorino's second homer — the 100th of his career and the second multihomer game of his career.

MEN'S TENNIS



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Irish junior Wyatt McCoy returns the ball during Notre Dame's 4-0 victory over Louisville on April 21. The Irish begin their fall season on Sept. 13 when they compete in the Olympia Fields Country Club Invitational.

Irish focus on underclassmen

By **BRIAN HARTNETT**
Sports Writer

After a year of stability and success, Notre Dame enters the season with new challenges and questions to be addressed.

For the first time in 26 years, the Irish have a new head coach, as Ryan Sachire took over for the now-retired Bobby Bayliss on June 1. Sachire is no stranger to the Irish program, however, as he graduated from Notre Dame in 2000 and served as an assistant under Bayliss for the last seven seasons.

"It's obviously humbling, and I'm honored to have that title next to my name," Sachire said of his new position. "Honestly, I'm not approaching [the season] any differently than I have in years past. I've always been fully invested in Notre Dame tennis, whether as a player or as an assistant coach, so from that perspective, I don't see a huge change."

After nine conference titles during its 18-year run in the Big East, Notre Dame will join a talented field of teams in the ACC. The conference features nine teams that ended last season ranked in the ITA National Rankings, including defending NCAA champion Virginia.

"The biggest challenge is the fact that in the Big East, we did not play a mandatory league schedule, so we really didn't compete a lot in April just because other teams were involved with

their conference schedules," Sachire said. "We'll have to know how to continue to get better and continue to have the same energy level at the end of the year, which is going to be especially difficult because we're going to be traveling a lot for our ACC matches."

The Irish will also look to replace No. 3 singles player Blas Moros, as well as lineup mainstays Michael Moore and Spencer Talmadge.

Despite the off-season changes, Notre Dame returns many of the contributors who helped the team to a Big East conference crown and NCAA tournament appearance last season.

Senior Greg Andrews, a two-time Big East Player of the Year, will anchor the team at No. 1 singles for the second consecutive season. Andrews advanced to the round of 32 at last season's NCAA Singles Championship.

"There is something different about playing No. 1 for your team, and [Andrews] has that year of experience there," Sachire said. "Any time you return your No. 1 player, you feel good that you have someone who's accustomed to playing each opponent's best player. He's certainly a guy we're going to look toward and build our team around."

Notre Dame will also look for increased contributions from its five sophomores, nicknamed the "Fab Five." The group made an immediate impact in its first season, as No. 2 singles player

Quentin Monaghan was named Big East Freshman of the Year and several other members cracked the starting lineup.

"Honestly, I just want them to keep improving and to keep making progress," Sachire said of the sophomores. "As far as performance goals to put on them, that's not anything we really talk about. We talk more about the process and as long as they stay on the same path they're on now, they're going to do some great things for us."

The fall season for the Irish will largely consist of individual tournaments instead of team matches. Sachire said that while the fall tournaments don't contribute to the team's record, they are nonetheless important in helping the team prepare for the spring season.

"There's no team score kept at any of these events, but there is a team concept. You have team pride on the line and team preparation and team travel, so there are a lot of concepts that we obviously need to be good at in the spring," Sachire said. "At the same time, all of the results are individual results, so we're looking to build an intelligent plan for where the players are in their development."

Notre Dame begins its season with the Olympia Fields Country Club Invitational in Olympia Fields, Ill., on Sept. 13.

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U.S. OPEN

Federer starts well at U.S. Open

Associated Press

NEW YORK — At this point in his career, Roger Federer recognizes the importance of a little extra work.

That's why the owner of a record 17 Grand Slam titles, and the man who spent more weeks ranked No. 1 than any other, was out there on a U.S. Open practice court late Tuesday afternoon, putting in some training time shortly after finishing off a 6-3, 6-2, 7-5 victory over 62nd-ranked Grega Zemlja of Slovenia in the first round.

At 32, at his lowest ranking, No. 7, in more than a decade, coming off a stunningly early exit at the previous major tournament — one of a series of newsworthy losses lately — Federer is OK with making some concessions. He insists his passion for tennis is still there.

"I'm in a good spot right now," Federer said. "I want to enjoy it as long as it lasts."

He made it sound, though, as if it isn't as easy to enjoy things the way his results have been going.

Federer entered Tuesday 32-11, a .744 winning percentage that doesn't sound too bad, until you consider his career mark at the start of this season was .816, and he's had years where he went 81-4 (.953) and 92-5 (.948). He's only won one tournament in 2013, which would be great for some guys, but Federer topped 10 titles three times, and hasn't won fewer than three in any season since 2001.

"Clearly, when you win everything, it's fun. That doesn't necessarily mean you love the game more. You just like winning, being on the front page, lifting trophies, doing comfortable press conferences. It's nice. But that doesn't mean you really, actually love it, love it," said Federer, whose streak of 36 consecutive Grand Slam quarterfinals ended with a second-round defeat at Wimbledon against an opponent ranked

116th.

"That maybe shines through maybe more in times when you don't play that well. For me, I knew it — winning or losing, practice court or match court — that I love it."

As Federer took the first step toward a possible quarterfinal meeting with nemesis Rafael Nadal, No. 5 Tomas Berdych and No. 10 Milos Raonic also picked up straight-set victories.

On a day that American men went 5-1, led by No. 13 John Isner and No. 26 Sam Querrey, a handful of seeded men made quick departures. No. 14 Jerzy Janowicz of Poland, a semifinalist at Wimbledon last month, was the most surprising to go, although he was treated by a trainer for a painful back during a 6-4, 6-4, 6-2 loss to 247th-ranked qualifier Maximo Gonzalez of Argentina.

"It was like someone puts a knife through your lower back," Janowicz said.

Janowicz is a volatile character, and that was on full display Tuesday. He pounded two balls in anger into the stands. He swatted one serve underhand. He chucked his racket. He argued with the chair umpire.

Joining him on the way out were No. 15 Nicolas Pietrangeli, No. 25 Grigor Dimitrov and No. 28 Juan Monaco.

Four seeded women were beaten in early action: No. 11 Sam Stosur, who won the 2011 U.S. Open, along with No. 17 Dominika Cibulkova, No. 20 Nadia Petrova and No. 31 Klara Zakopalova.

Stosur was eliminated 5-7, 6-4, 6-4 by 17-year-old American qualifier Victoria Duval, who is ranked 296th and never before had faced a top 20 opponent or won a Grand Slam match.

"I know she didn't play her best today, and this is the best I've played in my career, so I'm really excited," Duval told the Louis Armstrong Stadium crowd. "I just tried to stay in the moment."

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish break in new freshmen, experienced seniors

By SAMANTHA ZUBA
SportsWriter

With a fresh season on the horizon, Notre Dame has a lot of “new” to deal with: new goals, three new teammates and a new conference.

The team’s first matches will be important tests. Irish coach Jay Louderback said. Louderback said he isn’t looking for the perfect answers just yet, but he wants the Irish to get comfortable playing tennis again.

“The big thing for the entire fall is mainly beginning to play a lot of matches,” Louderback said. “In the fall, there is more development time than in the spring with dual matches.”

The Irish will split up to compete at both Michigan’s Wolverine Invitational and the Ball State Fall Invitational on Sept. 20-22.

Louderback said the open invitational tournaments are an especially good opportunity for players to find their strokes again and face a variety of opponents.

“They’re open tournaments, so there’s a lot of different teams there,” Louderback said. “Our kids just play. We’re just looking to get matches in.”

Notre Dame will field three freshmen on its roster. Louderback said the newcomers would have to adjust to the team element of college tennis, as opposed to the more individual play of high school

and junior tennis.

“[College tennis is] such a different dynamic than it is in the juniors,” Louderback said. “As our kids have been here a year or two years, they get used to playing for a team. In the juniors, you’re playing for yourself and all of a sudden when you get to college, you’re playing for a team. The big thing is playing under pressure for a team.”

The Irish have three seniors Louderback said he hopes can provide solid leadership for the team’s new faces. Seniors Julie Sabacinski, Jennifer Kellner and Britney Sanders gained leadership experience last season on a roster with only one senior.

“We have a great group of seniors,” Louderback said. “We have a big group. I think they did a good job last year. We only had one senior, so we counted on our juniors more than usual. We have three on the team this year, so we feel like we should have good leadership. All three have played a lot of tennis for us, so they know what we expect. We have three freshmen, so that leadership will be key.”

Sanders earned Big East Player of the Year honors last season, and Louderback said Sanders’ swift rise from No. 3 singles as a sophomore to No. 1 as a junior last year should give her the confidence to excel this season.

“[Sanders] had a great year



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Senior Jennifer Kellner prepares to return the ball during Notre Dame’s 5-2 win over DePaul on March 2 at Eck Tennis Pavilion. Kellner is one of three seniors for the Irish this year.

last year,” Louderback said. “She had played No. 3 the year before and as a junior, she stepped up and played No. 1 for us. That experience is going to be key for her. She knows what to expect, and she knows who the good players are.”

Louderback said developing knowledge of the competition is especially important for Sanders to succeed at No. 1 singles.

“Everyone has a good No. 1 player, so you don’t get a break,” Louderback said. “Brit handled it well last year, and we look for that experience to help her this year.”

Sanders and the rest of the Notre Dame squad will also face the challenge of moving to the ACC this season.

Louderback said the transition to a new conference will be a challenge, but he envisions big things for the Irish.

“Of course, this year is going to be a little different going into the ACC,” Louderback said. “We were ranked 23rd last year, and there were six ACC teams ahead of us. Our big thing is to compete and do well in the ACC and see how well we can finish. I think we have a shot to be a top 10 team.”

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U.S. OPEN

Janowicz eliminated from U.S. Open after injury

Associated Press

NEW YORK — With every serve, Jerzy Janowicz felt as if someone was stabbing him in the right side with a knife.

The Wimbledon semifinalist even tried one underhand in the first round of the U.S. Open on Tuesday. Qualifier Maximo Gonzalez had just hit a couple

of winners off what Janowicz thought was best described as a “push,” not a serve.

Hobbled by a lower back injury, the 14th-seeded Janowicz lost in straight sets to an opponent whose last victory in the main draw of an ATP Tour event came in April 2011.

Gonzalez, ranked 247th, won 6-4, 6-4, 6-2.

The last time he played a Grand Slam tournament, Janowicz made history for himself and Polish tennis. He thought he was in great shape heading into the U.S. Open. That changed Saturday, during a workout in the gym with his fitness coach. Janowicz tried an exercise he’d done many times before, but on this day something went wrong.

He could barely walk. He couldn’t sit or find a comfortable position to sleep. After a painkiller shot Monday and three acupuncture sessions, at least he could rotate to hit his backhand.

Other parts of his game weren’t doing so well, either.

“I couldn’t jump,” Janowicz said. “I couldn’t make a service movement.”

Trailing 3-1 in the third set, he decided to try something different on game point. Janowicz quickly flipped the ball over the net with an underhand swing. The line judge apparently didn’t even realize he had served, and the chair umpire had to call the ball out.

“The linesman didn’t see — the serve was too fast,” Janowicz deadpanned, his caustic humor intact.

“Disappointed” was the word he kept using in his post-match news conference, glancing down as he fiddled with the label on a sports drink.

Janowicz took an injury timeout for a trainer to massage his back in the second set. He asked doctors for painkillers, but they said he couldn’t ingest any more after the injection.

He threw a racket, argued with the chair umpire, and mostly looked downright miserable for 2 hours, 15 minutes.

Gonzalez didn’t appreciate the antics.

“If was him, I wouldn’t play today,” he said.

Janowicz insisted he never considered quitting.

“I was trying to fight,” he said. “You never know what it’s going to be.”

Janowicz was hurt a few days before his first-round match at the U.S. Open last year, too — a

leg injury. He went on to lose in what was his only previous appearance in the main draw at this event.

“Maybe I practice too hard before the U.S. Open,” he said, sarcastically.

The 22-year-old Janowicz had never been past the third round at a major tournament before his breakthrough at Wimbledon, which ended with a loss to eventual champion Andy Murray. In the quarterfinals, he beat countryman Lukasz Kubot in a match rich with milestones.

It was the first all-Polish meeting in a Grand Slam men’s draw and guaranteed that a Polish man would reach a Grand Slam semi for the first time.

On Tuesday, the two were playing on courts next to each other — and both lost.

Janowicz said he hadn’t received an exact diagnosis of his injury, but it likely involved his muscles and wasn’t too serious. He was going to get tests done after Tuesday’s match, but “now I don’t care.”

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Football

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the best opportunity to be successful when we kick that football off.”

Kelly also changed the usual team walkover to the stadium before the 2011 season, walking to the stadium from the Guglielmino Athletic Complex instead of the Basilica. He said he wants the team to do all the traditional events but not to be overloaded with activities.

“I think we’ve come to a nice schedule in working with our administration that our players have a very similar schedule now that mirrors what we do on the road and what we do at home,” Kelly said.

Looking ahead to Michigan?

Kelly said he worries that some of the veteran players are looking ahead to Notre Dame’s second-week showdown against rival Michigan instead of focusing on the Temple matchup.

“[I worry about it] every day,”

he said. “Every single day I talk about I’m not that far removed from South Florida. That’s what I do. This is my livelihood, so I think about all those things.”

In 2011, Notre Dame turned the ball over five times and dropped the season opener against South Florida 23-20 before playing a night game at Michigan the next week.

“We focus on Temple,” Kelly said. “I talk about it every day. I talk about the importance of playing this game and focusing on this football game. It’ll be a topic of conversation again today, tomorrow and every day leading right up to the Temple game.”

Will Mahone out

Sophomore running back Will Mahone will miss the game Saturday with a high ankle sprain. He was part of a five-man running back competition for carries.

Kelly said no other players will miss the game, other than the ones already announced.

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Observer File Photo

Irish senior safety Austin Collinsworth, left, celebrates during Notre Dame’s 56-14 win to Navy on Oct. 29, 2011. Collinsworth was named starting safety opposite junior Matthias Farley at Tuesday’s press conference.

Shipp

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A man of few words, Shipp said he prefers to allow his play to lead the team.

“I think those two guys, [defenders] Grant [Van De Castele] and [Andrew] O’Malley, are a little more vocal and outspoken as a leader than I am, but I think on the field, actions speak louder than words,” Shipp said.

In three seasons, Shipp has yet to miss a game. He said his teammates feed off of his consistency, dedication and competitiveness.

“I like to compete,” Shipp said. “I’ve had a lot of small injuries. I’ve been fortunate enough to not have any significant injuries. We’ve had some guys tear their ACLs and stuff, which is always incredibly sad. I think just not ever wanting to miss a game, it shows teammates that I do want to play every game, no matter how hurt or sore I am.”

Shipp was an integral part of the Notre Dame offense last season, playing alongside former Irish midfielder Dillon Powers and forward Ryan Finley. Both Powers and Finley were drafted in the first round of the MLS SuperDraft, leaving Shipp as the anchor of the new offensive attack.

“One thing we wanted to

focus on going into this year is not replacing [Powers and Finley], because they were two great players who are doing well in the pros now,” Shipp said. “So we implemented a new style where we’re more fluid and everyone in the attack interchanges, and I think it will help us be harder and more unpredictable for other defenses to stop.”

One of the best defenses in the country last season, all of the backline starters will return to the Irish. Shipp said Notre Dame’s new offense would not impact the team’s dominant defense.

“I think our defensive shape kind of starts with the forwards, so getting that organized and helping them defend our own goal from the front, that really helps the whole team succeed,” Shipp said.

Shipp collected numerous accolades after last season, including third team All-Big East, second team All-Great Lakes Region and Academic All-American honors, as well as a Scholar All-American award. Despite the individual awards, Shipp said he wants to have the whole team improve this season.

“Hopefully, we take the program to the next level,” Shipp said. “I think as a whole senior class and as a team,

we talked about wanting to elevate the program to be a consistent threat for the national championship. Last year was a big stepping-stone for us, because the year before, we didn’t make the tournament, and I think last year we honestly felt that we were the best team in the country, and could have easily won a national championship. So I think this year, [we want to] build on that, and hopefully elevate the program to be consistently ranked in the top one, top two in the country.”

Shipp said music puts him in the right mindset before games, but he doesn’t listen to the typical pregame music one would expect.

“I like to listen to music that’s a little different than what people would usually consider pump-up music,” Shipp said. “Last year I picked Taylor Swift, and I listened to Taylor Swift before every game. ... This year I haven’t decided, but I’m going to pick one artist and listen before every game. But I haven’t decided that. I’ll decide before Friday.”

On Friday in Bloomington, Ind., Shipp will pick a new artist and then quietly lead the Irish against UCLA.

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match-up against No. 9 UCLA at the Adidas/IU Credit Union Classic at Indiana University on Friday.

“There’s always a lot of stuff we can clean up,” Clark said. It will take more than a week, possibly, but we’re getting there. “You take a team and you outshoot them 25 to 6, and you’ve played with your B-squad for a third of the game, you’ve got to say you’re [in good shape]. But in all fairness, it’s going to be a whole other level on Friday. We know that.”

Clark said he was particularly impressed with the effort from junior midfielder Robby Gallegos, who played in the first half, and sophomore midfielder Connor Klekota, who replaced Gallegos for the last 45 minutes.

“They were sort of filling the role that [former Irish midfielder] Dillon Powers filled last year, and both did very well,” Clark said. “Obviously, Connor had a harder job because he had more younger players around him, but they both did very well.”

The exhibition loss was the second of the year for Ohio State. The Buckeyes also fell to West Virginia, 1-0, although they did secure a 2-0 victory over IPFW on Aug. 20. Ohio State is hoping to improve on last year’s 6-10-3 record, when the Buckeyes failed to notch a single conference win.

The Irish square off against UCLA at Indiana’s Armstrong Stadium in Bloomington, Ind., on Friday at 5 p.m.

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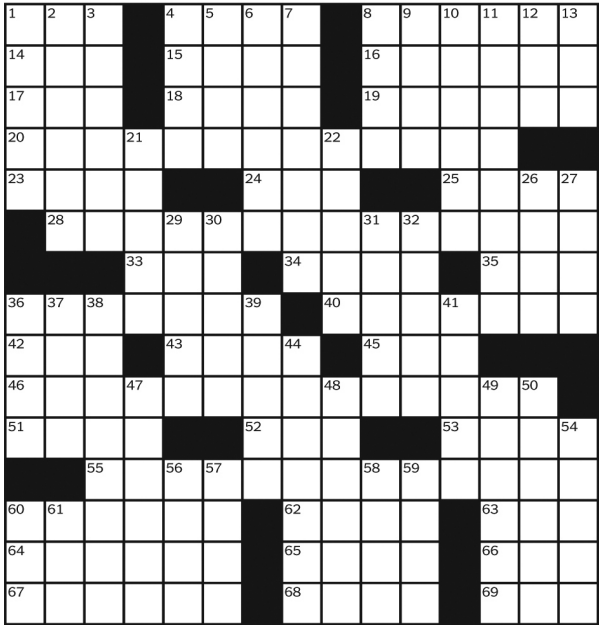
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1 “I didn’t know I was speeding, officer,” e.g.
4 Cover sheet abbr.
8 Hire
14 A mean Amin
15 Tropical food that is poisonous if eaten raw
16 Kind of solution
17 Pince-____
18 Girl’s floral name
19 ____ Hollywood
20 “Charlotte’s Web” actress on a hot day?
23 Like some pickings
24 Number of weeks in Julius Caesar’s year?
25 Pickled veggie
28 “A Brief History of Time” author doing sales?
33 “Shucks”
34 DVR brand
- 35** With 45-Across, conger, e.g.
36 Like some consonants
40 Scarce
42 Bond girl Green of “Casino Royale”
43 Attorney General Holder
45 See 35-Across
46 “Porphyria’s Lover” poet with a pan of ground beef on the stove?
51 One of the two characters in Dr. Seuss’ “Fox in Socks”
52 Limbo need
53 Take ____ from
55 “Tom Jones” novelist playing baseball?
60 Most music is played in it
62 One-volume works of Shakespeare, e.g.
- 63** Ukr., until 1991, e.g.
64 “Same here!”
65 Pollster Roper
66 Not shoot straight
67 Neglects to
68 Official with a list
69 J.D. holder

DOWN

- 1** Comes across
2 10s, say
3 Rock’s Limp ____
4 In a shouting match, perhaps
5 Skater Lipinski
6 Little nothing
7 One who’s morally flawed
8 “Pardon the Interruption” network
9 Country that’s over 50% desert
10 Max of physics
11 Person who has a way with words?
12 You, generically
13 “Better ____ ...”
21 ____-3 fatty acid
22 Nothing
26 Bender?
27 “Holy moly!”
29 Dwindle, with “out”
30 Symbol after “I” on many a bumper sticker
31 “____ to a Kill”
32 Sign on a door
36 Corner office, e.g.
37 Sweet Swan of ____ (epithet for Shakespeare)



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- 38** “Musetta’s Waltz” opera
39 Scooter ____’ Plame affair figure
41 Poem in which Paris plays a prominent part
44 Handmade
47 Applies
48 A.L. East athlete
- 49** CBS drama featuring LL Cool J
50 Puts the pedal to the metal
54 Symbol of the National Audubon Society
56 Loud, as a color
57 Plant holder?
- 58** Literary matchmaker
59 Kings of (“Use Somebody” band)
60 ____ the Kid (N.H.L. nickname)
61 Eastern principle

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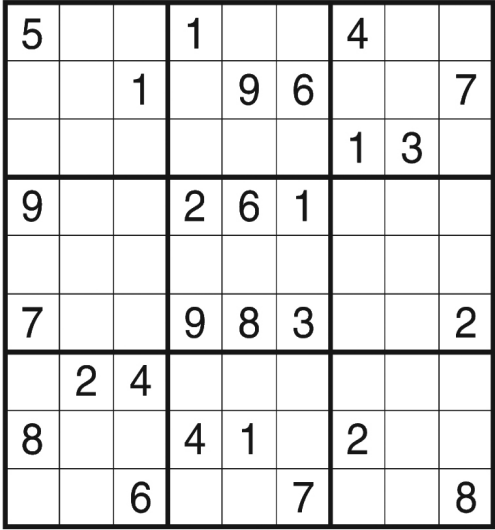


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8	2	3	9	6	1	7	5	4
7	6	2	8	5	9	3	4	1
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Alexa Vega, 25; Aaron Paul, 34; Sarah Chalke, 37; Paul Reubens, 61.

Happy Birthday: Show what you have to offer and know when to ask for assistance. You will learn quickly and apply what you know to complex situations in such a way that it will impress onlookers. You mustn’t feel pressured to make decisions or sign deals. Finding your comfort zone first and determining what will bring the best returns should be your priority. Your numbers are 4, 10, 23, 32, 35, 43, 48.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Whatever you do, offer your best effort and plenty of enthusiasm. The impression you make now will bring about better opportunities in the future. Don’t let a relationship stop you from being productive. Get your work finished before you socialize. ★★★★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A challenge will create new friendships and an opportunity to use your skills in an unusual capacity. Let your emotions drive you to excel. Don’t get angry when you should get moving. If you want something, make it happen. ★★★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Express your feelings. It’s better to say what’s on your mind than to display actions that may be inappropriate. A change of plans will turn out in your favor. Put your energy into making personal improvements that will enhance your life. ★★★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Friends will play a role in the decisions you make. Problems with an older or younger family member should be taken care of using unusual methods. Show compassion, but don’t give in to a situation in which you don’t feel comfortable. ★★★★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Keep a close watch over the way others react to the situations that unfold at work and at home. Staying grounded and making last-minute alterations will show your leadership ability and attract an interest in your personality. ★★★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don’t wait for someone else to make the first move. Strike while the iron is hot and make your point clear. Don’t feel you have to pay for others’ mistakes. Take over and do things your way. ★★★★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don’t assume anything if you don’t want to be disappointed. Do your own thing and refuse to cave if someone is pushy. Take time to chill out and rejuvenate. Pick up an item that boosts your ego or confidence. ★★★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Believe in your abilities and talents, and trust in your judgment. Follow through with your plan and speak on behalf of yourself and those you feel you can represent honestly. You can make a difference if you follow through. ★★★★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can listen to what others have to say, but do what’s best for you. Someone is not going to have your best interests at heart. Leave some time to enjoy socializing or getting together with someone you love. ★★★★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your sensitivity toward a situation will not go unnoticed. Take pride in your ability to get things done. Make your choices based on what you see and know to be true, not what someone tries to lead you to believe. ★★★★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don’t dwell on the obstacles when there is so much you can do if you let your talent and ability lead the way. An interesting connection you have with someone will spark an idea that can lead to financial gains. ★★★★★

PISCES (Feb. 19- March 20): Focus on partnerships, love and the opportunities you will encounter through the connections you make. Keep your feelings hidden until you have a chance to see if someone shares your sentiments. Invest in an idea you have. ★★★★★

Birthday Baby: You are responsible and persistent. You are a thinker, a doer and a team player.

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FOOTBALL

Starting strong

Smith, Collinsworth, Stanley land first-team roles as team releases depth chart

By **MATTHEW DeFRANKS**
Assistant Managing Editor

When Notre Dame's depth chart was released Tuesday afternoon, freshman linebacker Jaylon Smith was listed as the starter at outside linebacker, replacing retired senior linebacker Danny Spond. Irish coach Brian Kelly said his prized five-star recruit had to work for the job, beating out junior linebacker Ben Councell to earn a start against Temple in the season opener Saturday.

"He was No. 3 on the depth chart when they ran out there, even though there wasn't a depth chart posted," Kelly said of Smith. "He didn't go with the first group. Danny Spond was with the first, Councell was second and Jaylon was third, and he went out and he did his job."

"He's been great, and he's put himself in a position now to do some great things."

Senior safety Austin Collinsworth beat out sophomore safety Elijah Shumate to earn a starting spot alongside junior safety Matthias Farley in

the defensive secondary. Kelly said the two players will each see significant playing time.

"I think it's a 1A, 1B situation," he said. "Depending on where we are in the game, down and distance, a lot of those factors will be involved. I think you've got to look at both of those guys playing an equal amount of football."

Sophomore Ronnie Stanley locked down a job at right tackle, pushing senior Christian Lombard inside to right guard. Kelly said the right tackle position is very fluid, and freshman Steve Elmer is expected to earn minutes also.

"We have great confidence that Steve Elmer could go in there and start for us if we needed him to, as well, and it's not out of the question that he could be playing there at some time on Saturday, as well," Kelly said. "I think you should keep an eye on both of those guys playing some right tackle for us."

Mass moves to Friday

The traditional pre-game



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At Tuesday's press conference, Irish coach Brian Kelly unveils the depth chart for Notre Dame's season opener against Temple on Aug. 31. Irish freshman linebacker Jaylon Smith will be starting at outside linebacker.

Mass on Saturdays has been moved to Friday, Kelly said. He said the team will always have the Mass, but that his team thought about the lead-up to the game when making the

decision to move the Mass.

"We've been able to work together to give our student athletes the best schedule leading up to kickoff," Kelly said. "That's simply been it ... not to

exclude anything or take away anything that is important to our traditions or our history but simply give our student athletes

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MEN'S SOCCER | ND 1, OHIO STATE 0

Irish wrap up exhibition season with win

Freshman Aubrey strikes late with game-winning goal against Ohio State

By **VICKY JACOBSEN**
Sports Writer

For a moment, it looked like No. 7 Notre Dame might not break the 0-0 stalemate in Monday's exhibition game against Ohio State at Alumni Stadium. The Irish had shot unsuccessfully on goal 20 times when freshman midfielder Brandon Aubrey's attempt careened off the cross bar in the 66th minute.

Finally, senior forward Leon Brown corralled the ball and passed it to senior forward Alex Priede, who slid into the goal alongside the ball to scorg the only goal of the game.

"I thought Leon did a really good job just feeding it, and it came to Alex," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "Alex is a good around the box. [He] is a goal-scorer, that's what he lives on."

The game-winning goal

came just minutes after much of the starting lineup left the game to give the second unit some playing time.

"We put the starters in for 60 minutes," Clark said. "Up to that point in the game, we'd had a lot of chances; we should have put some away."

Although the Irish secured the narrow, one-goal victory, they dominated possession and shots attempten, taking 25 shots while the Buckeyes mustered just six. Ohio State's junior goalkeeper Alex Ivanov put on a show in the first half, making seven saves and shutting out the Irish before junior Andrian McAdams replaced him at halftime.

With the win, the Irish finished the exhibition season with a record of 2-0. They lost to Creighton, 1-0, on Aug. 18, and three days later beat Drake, 2-1. The Irish open the regular season with a

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GRANT TOBIN | The Observer

Irish senior captain Harrison Shipp passes the ball during Notre Dame's 1-0 win against Duke on Aug. 25, 2012.

Shipp embraces new role as captain

By **ISAAC LORTON**
Sports Writer

Three senior captains will lead the No. 7 Irish as they charge into ACC play.

Two of these captains are vocal defenders who are the heart of a staunch Irish defense, but the other member of the trio is a silent forward who leads by example.

Senior Harrison Shipp does not say much, but when he does, his words do not go unnoticed.

"[Shipp is] a phenomenal player, he's one of the best players I've ever had in the program," Clark said. "You know, being a captain is something new for him, but he'll be a very good captain. He's one of these quiet captains. He doesn't say much, but when he does speak, everybody listens. That's who he is."

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