

GRC expands programs

By **TORI ROECK**
Associate News Editor

To augment the work of student government's Gender Issues Committee and the new Prism ND, the Gender Relations Center (GRC) is initiating new programming this year to drum up conversation about sexuality, identity and relationships at Notre Dame.

Dr. Christine Caron-Gebhardt, director of the GRC, said expanded offerings include roundtable discussions, presentations from experts and dorm workshops.

The first notable event is a three-part series of speeches from Terry Nelson Johnson, a professional speaker and mentor at Old St. Patrick's Church in Chicago, on sexuality and Catholicism, men and masculinity and LGBTQ and Catholicism and it will take place Sept. 16 and 17.

"We're continuing our conversations on sexuality and relationships, but really broadening the conversation to include things around men and masculinity, LGBTQ, understanding of gender and identities [and] the intersectionality of identities," Caron-Gebhardt said.

Amanda Downey, assistant director for educational initiatives at the GRC, said Johnson first spoke at Notre Dame last year, at the request of a group of students from Keough Hall.

"Terry Nelson Johnson came to us as a result of a student interest. A group of men from Keough came over one day and said they wanted to talk about intimacy," Downey said. "They wanted to bring him, and they wanted him to talk about intimacy."

To better connect with the needs of the student body, Caron-Gebhardt said the GRC is starting a dorm commissioner program.

"We are piloting dorm commissioners as a resource for students within their residence halls as well as a conduit for

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ACC student body presidents convene

Coccia represents ND at student government gathering



Photo courtesy of Alex Coccia

Alex Coccia, second from right, joins student body presidents of other Atlantic Coast Conference universities on stage at the first-annual summit of the athletic division's student leaders.

By **ANN MARIE JAKUBOWSKI**
News Editor

Notre Dame Student Body President Alex Coccia joined other student government leaders from Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) universities last weekend for a first-annual gathering he described as "enormously beneficial."

The student body presidents' conference coincided with the first ACC game of the year on Labor Day, Coccia said, a matchup between Pittsburgh and Florida State at Pittsburgh.

"[The University of] Pittsburgh had invited the ACC student body presidents onto the field for that first

home game, so we decided we should make a conference out of this opportunity," he said.

Coccia said one of the highlights was a meeting with ACC commissioner John Swofford, who discussed his 16 years of experience leading the ACC.

"Swofford really aimed to

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the program No. 1 in the country of those programs with a faculty of its size.

H. Fred Mittelstaedt, Deloitte Foundation professor of accountancy and the chairperson of the Department of Accountancy, said he is pleased with the rankings.

"I'm very grateful for the rankings," Mittelstaedt said. "I think they reflect the quality of our

program, because I would say we are the best accounting program in the country — undergrad and graduate. So it's nice when rankings come out that reflect that."

Mittelstaedt said The Public Accounting Report's rankings are based on a survey of accounting professors across the country,

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Biologist studies jet lag

By **HENRY GENS**
News Writer

A study by a Notre Dame biologist suggests jet lag may be permanently grounded in the future. As part of a collaborative effort with scientists from the University of Oxford, Associate Professor of Biological Sciences Giles Duffield helped identify a promising target in the circadian cycle for the development of novel therapeutics to combat the common effects of jet lag. The study was published in Cell Journal on Aug. 29.

The target molecule, SIK1, is a protein kinase that was singled out for further study after exhaustive screens, Duffield said.

"The original screen looked for roughly 100 genes that were switched on by light in the part of the brain that is the 'master clock' — the hypothalamus," Duffield said. "We saw that this kinase, SIK1, was an interesting molecule. The fact that it is a kinase and that it interacts with components that we have already established in the clock is why it became a primary target in the subsequent analysis."

Duffield said the way the SIK1 protein kinase modulates the internal clock is different from previously researched kinases in the pathway.

"There are other kinases that regulate the clock, but they tend to regulate the speed of the clock, making it longer or shorter," he said. "This is actually working with the light system, and targeting SIK1 essentially 'shifts' the clock."

This particular property could be the key to producing a drug to ameliorate the negative effects of interrupted circadian rhythms, known together colloquially as jet lag, Duffield said.

"I think that if a pharmaceutical therapeutic agent could be developed that would target SIK1 — either deactivate it so it doesn't phosphorylate its target or stop it being induced at some point in the pathway — it could be relatively specific so it doesn't have a side effect," he said. "I think it's very

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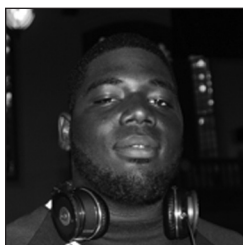
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Saint Mary's junior Emmi Murphy Hazen, center, joins representatives from Hannah & Friends to inform prospective student volunteers at the Saint Mary's Activities Night. Hannah & Friends seeks to improve the quality of life for individuals with special needs.

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“Can ND Women Have It All?”

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Saturday

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Free outdoor yoga.

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Sunday

Men's Soccer

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Mass in Spanish

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1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.
Mass celebrated by Fr. Joe Corpora.

Monday

“Chinese Architecture and the beaux arts”

104 Bond Hall
4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Lecture by Dr. Nancy S. Steinhardt

“The Notion of Competing”

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College lecture series focuses on justice

By **HALEIGH EHMSSEN**
News Writer

The Saint Mary's Center for Spirituality (CFS) will kick off its 2013 fall lecture series titled "Justice and Its Many Facets," sponsored by the Saint Mary's College Annual Endowed Lecture Series Fund, on Sept. 12.

Michelle Egan, associate director for the Center for Spirituality, said because the college is focusing on its core value of justice this year, the decision to highlight this topic in the fall lecture series was easy.

"Justice is an important and timely theme to build three thought-provoking lectures around, and broad enough to explore some of the various facets of justice," Egan said.

The first of these speakers will

be Fr. Daniel Groody, associate professor of theology at Notre Dame, who will discuss immigration Sept. 12.

"In an era in which war, economic impoverishment and ecological degradation lead millions of people around the globe to migrate from their homeland, and at a time when the U.S. Congress is debating immigration reform legislation, Fr. Groody's lecture will help the campus community to reflect on these realities from a Catholic perspective," Egan said.

Emily Reimer-Barry, assistant professor of theology and religious studies at the University of San Diego will present a lecture Sept. 26 titled "Saying Yes to More than the Dress? Elements of a Pro-Woman Theology of Marriage."

"At a time when women feel

social pressure to have weddings in a style that costs an average of \$25,000," Egan said, "Professor Reimer-Barry's lecture will discuss a theology of marriage that 'Says Yes to More Than the Dress.'"

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Michelle Egan
associate director
Center for Spirituality

The final lecture of the series will take place Oct. 10. Mary Doak, associate professor of theology and religious studies at

the University of San Diego will present her lecture, "Consuming Women: Sex Slavery and the Body of Christ in a Market Dominated World."

"Professor Doak's lecture will invite us to explore the meaning of our commitment to justice in a world in which millions of women and children are trafficked both within and across national boundaries for the sex industry or coerced labor," Egan said.

Religious Studies Professor Margaret Gower said she advises all of her students to attend these lectures and believes the topics covered are very pressing and applicable to the core value of justice this year. Gower especially expects the students in her Catholic Social Thought class to attend the lectures.

"Altogether, I hope that the


talks will help us, to think about when our relationships, institutions and social, political and economic orders are just and unjust," Gower said. "From there, we can talk together about what we can do to work for greater justice and more humane order."

The tradition of the CFS lectures is important to the Saint Mary's community in further educating the minds of the students, Egan said.

"The Center for Spirituality has brought prominent scholars to campus since its inception in 1985," she said. "They share their wisdom on contemporary religious issues and address broader issues of how faith and reason interact."

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Activities Night highlights Saint Mary's clubs

By **KELLY KONYA**
News Writer

Saint Mary's annual Student Activities Night took place Wednesday on the College's Library Green. Hundreds of students attended the event and walked around with little blue bags to store all of their

free pens, stickers, pamphlets and goodies from the various clubs.

Of the 80 clubs and organizations on campus, 65 registered for Activities Night, Vice President of Finance Emily Murphy said. An additional 16 local non-profit service organizations attended to show students other ways to get involved in the South Bend community.

"Multiple clubs from Notre Dame were also involved in the event, such as the Notre Dame Swing Club and the Notre Dame Women's Ultimate Frisbee team," Murphy said. "The point of the night was to give the clubs on campus a chance to showcase all that they have to offer our students."

For many clubs, the night was a great success. Junior Grace Harvey, who founded the SMC Yoga Club last year, said she had over 150 sign-ups and even ran out of paper at her table.

"I couldn't believe the enthusiasm for the Yoga Club," Harvey said. "It makes me excited that so many girls want to be a part of something that builds community. I am looking forward to the continual growth of the club, especially now that my younger sister, Chris Harvey, is a freshman here and will also be teaching classes."

Besides numerous athletic clubs ranging from Boxing Club to Horseback Riding Club, many different art clubs showcased student abilities.

Junior Chelsea Scarnegie said her favorite parts of Activities Night were learning about the new Poetry Club and signing up for information on the Saint Mary's Literary and Art Publication, the Chimes.

"I learned that the Chimes has been the College's creative publication since 1892,"

Scarnegie said. "I am hoping to get published this year, but it will also be fun to join their editorial board and help choose the pieces that will be printed."

Diane Fox, from the Office for Student Success, said she thinks getting involved on campus enhances a student's overall education.

"Maintaining a balanced life in college allows students to feel themselves mentally, spiritually and physically."

Diane Fox
Office for Student Success

"Campus activities and clubs help students learn to prioritize academics with life and manage time," Fox said. "Maintaining a balanced life in college allows students to feel themselves mentally, spiritually and physically. This enhances the person's personal evolution as well as helps to prevent burnout."

Junior Nicole O'Toole, president of the Republicans Club, said the night was a true success because it brought the entire community together in a fun way.

"It was cool to just sit back and watch all of the retuning club members of each organization inspiring new members to join," O'Toole said. "Everyone here has a passion for something, and I love watching students find new connections that will make college more enjoyable and memorable."

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students to let us know what kinds of conversations, what kinds of questions they want to talk about here on campus about gender, sexuality and relationships," she said.

For those who want to continue these conversations, Caron-Gebhardt said the GRC is sponsoring the Sr. Jean Round Table, where students can discuss gender issues together. Each meeting will have a different theme ranging from "sports and gender," to "gender and Catholicism," with the first taking place Oct. 2.

The GRC will also sponsor "Man Talk" and "Women's Wisdom" sessions, Caron-Gebhardt said.

"Those conversation talks are student-generated," she said. "We provide the venue, we provide the structure, but students provide the things that are important and they want to discuss."

To begin the discussion freshman year, Caron-Gebhardt said the GRC has amended its Contemporary Topics curriculum so one day covers healthy relationships and the other addresses prevention of sexual violence on campus through bystander intervention.

"We took up that charge from [the Committee on Sexual Assault Prevention] saying, 'How can we understand that sexual violence on our campus is not just about two people involved but actually impacts our community?'" Caron-Gebhardt said.

In another effort to raise awareness of sexual violence in the spring, Downey said the GRC will sponsor an exhibition of "Unheard Voices," a show by artist Jason Dilley that tells the stories of individual survivors of sexual assault.

"[Dilley] has bronzed face casts – imagine a plaster cast of a face and then it's dipped into a bronze and on a black background," she said. "Students can walk around and there are little headphones attached to each face, and you can actually hear this person tell their story, which is a really powerful program."

Caron-Gebhardt said the GRC also plans to supplement Prism ND's LGBTQ-focused programs, including special events for National Coming Out Day in October and Transgender Awareness Month and Stand Against Hate in November.

"We see collaborating on events and co-sponsoring events together [with Prism ND]," Caron-Gebhardt said. "We also see that there are things that they may offer that we would then complement and offer individually. I see us doing things collaboratively and individually."

Caron-Gebhardt said the GRC encourages students to get involved with their programming and express what they want the GRC function.

"[We want to] respond to student needs as we continue the dialogue around certain issues," she said.

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make the ACC a premiere conference in athletics, academics and the integrity that comes with both," Coccia said. "If you look at the conference's history, that has really come true. He welcomed the new members, [Pittsburgh], Syracuse and Notre Dame and really talked about how much we fit there."

"I think it's really true, especially when you look at academic records from the ACC schools."

Swofford used a metaphor centered on a house with a front porch to describe the proper relationship between athletics and academics in a university setting, he said.

"He said athletics are a front porch; they can really make a house beautiful and they're the first thing people will see, but they don't change the structural integrity," Coccia said. "You have to have a house built on academics and leadership to succeed."

The conference connected representatives from Notre Dame, Clemson University, Duke University, Florida State University, University of Miami, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina State University, University of Pittsburgh, Syracuse University, University of Virginia and Virginia Tech. Presidents from Boston College, Wake Forest University, University

of Maryland and Georgia Tech were not present.

Coccia said he came away with ideas for Notre Dame based on productive conversations with the other presidents about campus life issues they each share.

"If we can build personal relationships with other student governments, we can better gauge ourselves and our progress."

Alex Coccia
student body president

"This conference went right along with what we've been doing with student government here and our goal of connecting student bodies nationwide to promote our students' voices nationally," he said. "If we can build personal relationships with other student governments, we can better gauge ourselves and our progress."

Key issues on the table were food services on campus and medical amnesty for students, Coccia said. Although the grouping was based on athletic connections between the schools, the conversation did not center on those issues, he said.

"The common athletic conference presented the opportunity for us to meet, but what we felt at this weekend conference was that it really encompassed

all kinds of campus life discussion," Coccia said.

The group spent part of the time planning how to move the event forward and expand it, he said.

"We drafted the components of a founding document about when this conference will be held in the future," Coccia said. "Our goal is twice a year, first at the first ACC football game which will always be Labor Day. At that gathering, the goal would be to discuss campus and national issues and share best practices in terms of what different colleges are doing that's working."

"The second meeting of the year would be during the ACC basketball tournament, and the goal with that one would be to develop a national legislative agenda in preparation for April where there already exists an ACC lobbying day."

Although the Labor Day conference was a pilot run, Coccia said the presidents left with a strong sense that it should continue in future years for the benefit of the individual schools and the ACC as a whole.

"As a whole, I think the student body presidents' conference is really going to build a sense of unity within the ACC," he said. "Hopefully, with the support of the ACC and the excitement and passion we left with, we can really create something that is lasting and that suits the needs of the current student body presidents in that time."

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Accounting

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who are asked to rank undergraduate programs, graduate programs and public accounting firms.

Professor Michael Morris, chairperson of the Mendoza College of Business' MSA program, said being ranked at the top of the list is a welcome distinction.

"To be at or near the top of the rankings from such a broad-based and knowledgeable group is really an honor."

H. Fred Mittelstaedt
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Department of Accountancy

"The Public Accounting Report... rankings are based on the perceptions of accounting faculty nationwide, so to be at or near the top of the rankings from such a broad-based and knowledgeable group is really an honor," Morris said.

Mittelstaedt said since the rankings are so objective that it is difficult to attribute the jump to a qualitative difference in the program.

"It's hard to say why that jump [from six to four] would have been there," Mittelstaedt said. "I'm not sure we did anything in one year

to make the jump, but it's just a concerted effort to have as good students as we can and then place them as well."

Morris said the quality of MSA faculty and students reflects in the program's high rankings year after year.

"The program has been consistent in delivering a quality education by an experienced and renowned business faculty," Morris said, "[The] M.S. in Accountancy staff have gone the extra mile to provide the highest level of student services, and the level of support from various segments in the University has enabled the program to offer a flexible curriculum and achieve 100 percent placement the last two years."

Mittelstaedt said the rankings recognize programs that best prepare students for success in public accounting.

Notre Dame's MSA students certainly qualify for successful accounting careers. Mittelstaedt said the MSA program boasts a Certified Public Accountant exam pass rate of over 80 percent, and 84 percent of 2013 MSA graduates were placed with one of the "Big Four" accounting firms.

"We probably place more people with the 'Big Four' accounting firms, as a percentage, than any other school in the country," Mittelstaedt said.

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Undocumented lawyer gains law license

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A majority of California Supreme Court justices appeared reluctant Wednesday to grant a law license to Sergio Garcia, who graduated law school and passed the state’s bar exam but has been living illegally in the United States for 20 years.

A federal law passed by Congress in 1996 bars immigrants in the country illegally from receiving “professional licenses” from government agencies or with the use of public funds unless state lawmakers specifically vote otherwise.

“Congress wanted political accountability,” Justice Ming Chin said in expressing doubt the court could grant Garcia his license without a specific law enacted by the state Legislature.

Justice Goodwin Liu said it was “commonsensical” that Congress meant to include lawyer licenses in the law.

The five other justices on the court made similar comments, essentially arguing that the law bars them from making Garcia a lawyer unless the state Legislature acts.

The court has 90-days to rule in a case that has garnered national attention, putting the Obama

administration against state officials who supported Garcia’s application.

Outside of court, Garcia expressed optimism that the Supreme Court would rule in his favor despite the tough questions asked of the lawyers who spoke on his side during an hour of oral arguments.

If he does lose, Garcia vowed to continue fighting to become a California lawyer either through the state Legislature or in the federal courts.

“This is about trying to live the American Dream and showing other immigrants that hard work and dedication does mean something in this country,” he said.

The state Supreme Court is in charge of licensing lawyers in California and the arguments boiled down to whether public money would be used in its licensing of Garcia. Lawyers for Garcia and the California State bar also argued that Congress meant to exempt attorney licenses from the law because they are issued by courts and not agencies.

A U.S. Department of Justice lawyer argued that Garcia is barred from receiving his law license because the court’s entire budget comes from the public treasury.

“A law license is a

professional license,” Assistant U.S. Attorney Daniel Tenney said. “Congress meant to prohibit all professional licenses.”

Garcia arrived in the U.S. illegally 20 years ago to pick almonds in the field with his father.

Working the fields and at a grocery store, he attended community college, studying to become a paralegal, and then law school. Garcia passed the California bar on the first try, a boast that Brown, former Gov. Peter Wilson and nearly 50 percent of all first-time test takers can’t make.

The dispute is the latest high-profile immigration clash between state and federal laws. Usually, it’s the Obama administration opposing state laws in Arizona and elsewhere thought to be anti-immigrant.

The Obama position surprised some, since it had recently adopted a program that shields people who were brought to the U.S. as children, graduated high school and have kept a clean criminal record from deportation and allows them to legally work in the country.

At 36, Garcia is too old to qualify for the Obama program. But he and the immigration groups supporting him argue that Garcia is exactly the type of candidate

the Obama administration had in mind when it adopted its program.

The administration’s opposition stunned Garcia, who self-financed his education at Cal Northern School of Law in Chico while working at a grocery store and publishing a self-help book in 2006.

“I was very upset by,” he said. “I worked hard and have never been a burden to the state.”

But legal scholars and others say Garcia faces obstacles if he wins his law license.

Garcia will have to work for himself because no law firm or other employers could legally hire him. And he may be automatically disqualified from representing certain clients and taking on some types of cases because of his citizenship status.

“Garcia is not qualified to practice law because he continually violates federal law by his presence in the United States,” former State Bar prosecutor Larry DeSha said in one of the few “friend of the court” briefs filed opposing Garcia’s licensing.

A similar case is brewing in Florida. That state’s Supreme Court has so far refused to certify a person living illegally in the U.S. as a lawyer, but has not issued a

final ruling.

Garcia and his supporters argue that he deserves his law license on legal — and moral — grounds.

State Bar officials and California’s attorney general argue citizenship status is not a requirement to receive a California law license. Garcia said he deserves to practice law for those legal reasons, plus the hard work and dedication he put into passing the bar examination.

Garcia first came to the U.S. with his family from Mexico when he was 17 months old. He returned to Mexico with his mother when he was 9 and came back eight years later and applied for citizenship in 1994, sponsored by his father, who is now an American citizen.

Garcia estimates that it could take another five years for his application to be approved given the backlog of applications.

He said he doesn’t fear deportation because of the notoriety his case has received — and the fact that he has notified immigration officials of his prolonged presence in the U.S.

In the meantime, he has supported himself as a motivational speaker and paralegal when he can find the work.

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Jet lag

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tangible, unlike other compounds of the clock which are less likely to be good targets.”

Such a beneficial treatment could have a considerable impact on health, and not just for frequent flyers, he said.

“It’s not just travelers that suffer from this — anybody doing shift work is potentially undergoing the equivalent of jet lag on a weekly basis,” Duffield said. “And that’s the real problem because you’ve got 16 percent of the U.S. and European workforce doing shift work, and these people are essentially suffering from jet lag.”

Chronic health risks abound for the significant portion of the labor force employed in shift work, especially as individuals spend more time employed in these sectors, Duffield said.

“There are several studies indicating that the level of diabetes, metabolic syndromes, insulin sensitivity, and obesity levels are higher in people doing shift work — removing all other factors, including socioeconomic ones,” he said.

Duffield said even individuals in areas other than formal shift work may be unwittingly suffering from chronic disruptions to their circadian cycle.

“An example I like to make is that of married people with a family — they are probably not all on

the same ‘shift’; they do different ‘shifts’ during the week and then during the weekend they corrupt their artificial ‘timezones’ because they want to spend time with the family,” he said. “By the time Monday comes around they’re really out of whack, and they’re suffering from jet lag all over again.”

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Giles Duffield
associate professor
Biological Sciences

Duffield said he thinks his project can help point the way toward a therapeutic treatment to benefit travelers and shift workers.

“I actually think that this is far more tangible — and not just because it’s my study — than anything we’ve had before, at least in the circadian system,” Duffield said.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Off the field
kickoff

Isaac Lorton
Sports Writer

The temperature dropped significantly last night.

For all you freshman, it was a little taste of the dreaded South Bend cold. For juniors and seniors, it was a not-so-subtle reminder that silly syllabus week is over and we all now must face the impending doom of this upcoming semester. It was an eerily cold wind telling us to brace ourselves: Life is coming.

Labor day has passed unnoticed. (At least by all Notre Dame students. What would our lives be without labor?) The carefree joyfulness that is syllabus week is long gone. The days of coming unprepared to class and doing something fun every night of the week has left. Books have been bought and calendars have been prepared. To the grindstone!

I even heard people talking about when their finals were. Wow, slow down there, Turbo.

First, we have to go to Activities Night.

There were three types of people there last night.

1) The over-eager, over-achieving freshmen, and by that I mean all freshmen.

2) The sophomores — who once were over-eager, over-achieving freshmen — who now go around signing up their friends for the Bungee-Jumping Origami Club, the Anti-Feminism Feminists Against Females Club, the 'Do You Even Lift, Bro?' Club for Those Who Don't Actually Lift, and the ever-famous Name That Obscure Musician, Song, Bird Call, Wind Chime or Noise Club.

3) The juniors and seniors behind the tables who, two years ago, were suckered into these clubs because at that particular table, they were handing out all of the good candy.

Second, we need to have our resumes, portfolios and childhoods read over, critiqued and edited by the Career Center. And what's with this Arts and Letters Boot Camp thing? We don't need no bootcamp to get into the business world. We are Philosopher Kings (and by Arts and Letters, I mean PLS)!

Third, we must then take our refined resumes to the Career Fair, where we will wait in ridiculous lines to talk to the "Big Four," while the other businesses are sitting there, waiting for someone to talk to, only to get people walking by and grabbing all of their pens and coozies. The "Big Four" sounds like a bad superhero team that couldn't even make its name an alliteration. Amateurs. For all non-business school people, it is a time to sit back and examine your life choices.

Then finally, there's class. And life. Good luck!

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Softening, reconciling, forgiving

Gabriel Griggs
Viewpoint Columnist

It is a funny phenomenon of life that certain paths that seem obvious in hindsight were not so obvious at the time. Attending Notre Dame, for example, is something that seems so clearly to be the right decision now, but that was not entirely obvious when I was a senior in high school. It was important for me to be around my family, so my choices were set: Notre Dame, Purdue, Wabash and University of Chicago. I'd essentially drawn a three-hour radius around South Bend and limited my options from there.

The first hint came during the middle of senior year when I was waitlisted at Chicago, a school I had loved since I was a sophomore. But even after being waitlisted, things were not clear. I still felt drawn to Wabash College in Crawfordsville, Ind., a small, all-male school whose mission was to educate its men in the liberal arts tradition. The mission of the college and a generous financial aid package made Wabash one of my top choices. Notre Dame was always there, though, and my decision was sealed on a fateful day.

The day began with a funeral for the mother of one of my childhood

friends. He had been a good friend through grade school, and though we had gone our separate ways in high school, I have many fond memories of him and his mother.

The funeral was on the same day as the Blue-Gold game, and I had recently been awarded a scholarship by the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley. The recipients of this scholarship and their families received field seats for the Blue-Gold game and were called on to the field at halftime. This was, to say the least, a pretty neat experience. I arrived home after the game and had not even left the car when my sister ran out with a letter from Notre Dame. It was the financial aid package, and it was a tremendous blessing. I was set on ND and made my decision that day.

This fateful day was full of emotional highs and lows and was a whirlwind of activity. Even going into the game, there was doubt. But, sure enough, certainty and clarity came — it just took a little patience. It seems so obvious now that this path would present itself so clearly, but at the time, I was in a great state of anxiety. It is another unusual phenomenon of life that great joy is often accompanied by great sorrow and that great clarity is often accompanied by great confusion.

I share this story because of the obvious discernment involved in being a senior again. There is a great sense

of comfort in seeing God's presence in the highs and the lows of our lives, and I imagine we can all relate to this experience in some way or another.

I also share this story in relation to a lesson I've learned over the past year: frequent prayer is important. Christ is always there, right in front of us, and often moving imperceptibly. Sometimes his message culminates in momentous occasions — but more often than not, it culminates in little things. Prayer is the key to understanding the everyday occurrences in our lives, whether they are momentous or mundane.

As Blessed John Paul II reminded us in a 1993 homily stressing the importance of priestly devotion to prayer, the "Gospel shows Jesus in prayer at every important moment of his mission." Through prayer, we might learn to be grateful for our many blessings and we might also be reminded of Christ's overwhelming love for us. And going forward, we might learn in what ways we are called to share — and multiply — our talents so as to lead holier lives.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It is only with one's heart that one can see clearly. What is essential is invisible to the eye."

Antoine de Saint-Exupéry
French writer

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More than meets the eye

Nora Goebelbecker

Just Around the Bend

To be completely honest, I was among the worst of them.

I held my tongue in cabs, but as soon as I was outside their hearing, that filter disappeared and I would complain about how South Bend is such a dump. It's almost a solidarity thing: people connect through complaining about the city much as they would connect by talking about the weather. I'm from a big city, and while Notre Dame's great opportunities pulled me to this part of the United States, I still desperately craved the creative pulse, that almost tangible hum of energy, that a large city provides.

Things hit a low point one dreary January day my freshman year, when, trudging into O'Shaughnessey and rubbing my numb hands together, defrosting for a moment before taking a seat, I spied a copy of Newsweek on a magazine rack boasting the headline "America's Dying Cities." Mildly interested, I opened the magazine. Out of ten cities, South Bend was number eight.

And yes, that's bad. South Bend's population has been in slight decline, and 26 percent of the remaining population does live at or beneath the federal poverty line, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. The first video that shows up if you search "South Bend, IN" on YouTube is a terrible rap about the gangster culture of the city — peppered with shots of Notre Dame football and drawled over an annoyingly catchy riff from our fight song.

"There's a silver lining!" a cold, cynical observer could announce. "We don't need to travel to all the way to Uganda or Ecuador to study and fight poverty!" While it really is true that a student body that professes to care about social justice can benefit in a very practical way from our proximity to South Bend, there are merits and detriments to both local and global service work, so I won't push that angle too far.

I also didn't write this article to objectify South Bend bluntly as a bootcamp for people interested in putting social justice work into practice. I wrote it because, when I was a sophomore, South Bend Mayor Pete Buttigieg ("Buddah-judge") came to speak at Notre Dame, and he not only inspired me to study political science and intern for him, but also initiated the start of a 180-degree change in my attitude about South Bend. I started going downtown as a junior, first for the internship, but then just for fun.

The first thing I learned is that there is a free bus that leaves Library Circle every half hour and shoots you downtown in 15 minutes. South Bend, with a population of about 100,000, is big enough to be the fourth-largest city in Indiana, but it's also small enough that other passengers on the bus almost always strike up a conversation with you. My eyes-down, elbows-in cosmopolitan commuter self finds that charming.

I got off each day at Main Street and Washington, which placed me a few minutes from the gorgeous St. Joe River, the cozy Main Street Coffee House (which has the best parfaits you will ever try), the convincing New Orleans-themed Chicory Café

and the occasional night of live music at Fiddler's Hearth (21+ to drink but all ages can go).

After two years of disappointment in the city surrounding Notre Dame, my perspective began to shift.

Fact: South Bend and Notre Dame were born within 25 years of each other in the first half of the 1800s, and have existed, side-by-side but in rather separate worlds, ever since. This is changing. Notre Dame and South Bend have increasingly called for mutual engagement. So we have a great Center for Social Concerns. But service is just one kind of engagement. But another thing that South Bend might like is not our pity, but rather our affection.

There are more cool things going on in South Bend than you will ever have time to take advantage of, but I challenge you to try. There's a blog called 365southbend.blogspot.com with a phenomenal list of things to do in the city, and a more current calendar can be found on downtownsouthbend.com.

You want to revitalize South Bend? Hang out downtown! There are actually 32,000 college students who come to South Bend every year — imagine how much income that could bring South Bend businesses. But this involves a change in conversation.

Rather than forging solidarity by complaining about South Bend, strengthen friendships by biking down the East Race river trail or by attending a concert in the space that used to be the swimming pool of Central High. (Check out the website of local artist Peter Hochstedler for a taste of

the great music around here.) And here's a tip: dates at Café Navarre trump dining hall dates to the nth degree.

Internships are another kind of engagement. South Bend, as a site of a massive urban renaissance that is re-molding its identity to a center of culture and of technological innovation, is a fascinating city to learn about from any sort of developmental perspective. But right now, from a student's-eye perspective, when we are encouraged to engage with South Bend, it is either through insults or through service.

Students of the University of Notre Dame, I have two challenges for you. The first is really easy: The next time that you get into a cab, please be mindful of the fact that if you don't like what you see, it's the driver's home you are talking about. The second: Stop objectifying that home. Take that cab downtown — or ditch the cab and take the free bus — strictly for fun. Go explore what's just around the river bend. South Bend, that is. You may like what you find.

Special thanks to Mayor Pete, Abby Davis, Jake Grefenstette, Kwame Nuako, Therese Germain, Elizabeth Anthony, and everyone who has shown me South Bend for their ideas, insights and inspiration.

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U-WIRE

Gay rights and the regional divide

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When a county in southern Georgia held its first-ever integrated prom earlier this year, coverage was both solemn and tongue and cheek. It confirmed our national narrative that the South and Southern people are structurally predisposed to resist progress. It has become part and parcel of our folk wisdom that change will come slowly to the South if it comes at all. While this perspective has been historically applied to race relations, it also holds true for the current debate on gay rights.

In light of the Supreme Court's cautious ruling on same-sex marriage, it will likely be several years before universal marriage equality is a reality in the United States. Lambda Legal and the Human Rights Campaign, two of the leading LGBT advocacy groups in the United States have adapted to the ruling by pursuing a 50-state strategy that targets the states most likely to flip for gay marriage. Right now, that means pushing marriage equality legislation in states like Illinois. The progression of support for gay marriage among the states is now fairly predictable. A few months ago, America's favorite statistician, Nate Silver, released estimates of

the year in which public opinion in each state will tip in favor of marriage equality. Yet Silver's predictions may be complicated by the potential for large migrations of gay Americans in response to state political divisions on marriage. Early successes in states that already have high approval for gay marriage may actually result in more entrenched opposition in the South. In order to avoid a repeat of the civil rights movement of the 1960s which similarly exacerbated regional political divides, gay rights activists may do better to take a more holistic, gradualist approach to achieving their goals.

The state-by-state model of change has often focused on starting movements for change in the North and then hoping these developments will eventually trickle down, but this model is frustrated by the phenomenon of Americans "voting with their feet." Traditionally, the idea of migrating to one's ideal social climate has been considered a strength of the American state system. Those favoring more traditional values tend to be concentrated in rural areas and are relatively free from the regulations and liberalism found in the cities and on the coasts. This model is less effective in the distribution of human rights. Young LGBT people coming of age in corrosive atmospheres have little recourse to escape

anti-LGBT attitudes until their eighteenth birthdays. Additionally, as young liberal-minded Southerners emigrate from the South, the political balance shifts to the right, further solidifying conservative power.

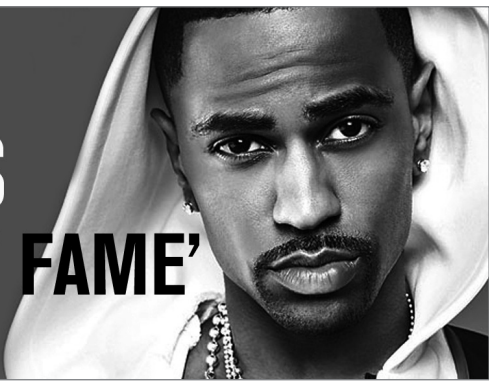
As gay Americans become aware of the greater opportunities for social equality outside their home region they become increasingly likely to emigrate. This "gay drain" becomes obvious even when observing disparities in LGBT presence among American colleges. Students often marvel and joke about the seemingly artificially high presence of LGBT students at Ivy League institutions but this presence is a reflection of the desires of many gay students to escape oppressive social environments in less progressive regions of the country. More generally, young people increasingly list LGBT equality as a core moral value and seek to congregate in states where that value is respected. A census report on the migration of young college graduates shows that many conservative Southern states are experiencing growth in their overall population while witnessing net outmigration of young college graduates. The increasing moral divide of the North and South thus also contributes to intellectual and economic disparities.

As a matter of strategy, LGBT advocacy

groups would do better to make legislation at the national level their first priority. While support for gay marriage hovers slightly above the 50 percent mark, support for ending other forms of discrimination against LGBT Americans is much higher. As a result of the extensive focus on the marriage debate, many voters do not realize the full extent of the other challenges to equality LGBT Americans continue to face. In a 2011 Center for American Progress poll on workplace discrimination, 73 percent of likely voters supported protecting gays and lesbians against workplace discrimination but 90 percent of voters believed federal laws already provided such protections. (They do not.) Until baseline protections against discrimination exist across the states, pushing the most liberal states further in the direction of marriage equality seems irresponsible. While the state-by-state strategy offers dramatic victories and the potential for quick progress, focus on a broader national campaign will help soothe the regional divide.

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BIG SEAN'S
'HALL OF FAME'

By **DAN BROMBACH**
Scene Writer

Let me start by saying “Hall of Fame,” the sophomore effort by rapper Big Sean, certainly does not belong in a hall of fame, museum or any other miscellaneous institution honoring items of distinguished quality. In fact, the album may be more appropriately placed on the trophy/prize shelf of a Chuck ‘E Cheese or in the bargain bin of a foreclosed Radio Shack.

That may be a little too harsh, but “Hall of Fame” is, at best, remarkably average. It didn’t approach “Fukushima Daiichi” or “Miley Cyrus at the VMAs” levels on the scale of musical events that make you fear for the future of mankind, but I found it to be incredibly disappointing nonetheless, especially considering the high expectations I had carried in from his classic first album, “Finally Famous.”

“Hall of Fame” is not without its bright spots. “Beware” is undoubtedly my favorite song from the album, catchily outlining the dangers of dealing with a girl who won’t move on from a relationship (although I doubt the relationship in question was ever Disney channel material to begin with). “Switch Up” is a strong offering featuring some high quality bars from Common, and “Fire” will likely get stuck in your head despite the repetitive nature of the hook.

However, it is the song “MILF” that ties together everything Big Sean has to offer. It isn’t the best song on the album, but it may be the only track to prominently showcase everything that made Big Sean famous in the first place: Word play, a catchy hook, creative sampling and wildly irreverent lyrics. With a title like that, I definitely didn’t listen to this track expecting to laugh, but that’s exactly what ended up happening.

Now, it’s time for the low-lights of the album. Many of the tracks are either forgettable or just plain bad. Big Sean’s flow feels disjointed at times, falling off beats characterized by too much repetition or not enough creativity. In “10 2 10,” he even insists on half rapping, half singing/whining off tune while delivering the pleasantly racist line, “I woke up working like a Mexican / that mean I work from 10 to 10.”

He somehow even managed to ruin an Ellie Goulding sample in his song, “You Don’t

Know,” thus stomping on one of my three main pleasures in life: Goulding’s music. The other two are Chipotle and strategically avoiding eye contact with people during my walks to and from DeBartolo Hall.

Ultimately, Big Sean strayed too far away from what made his first album great. He swapped his fast flow and fiendishly clever lyrics for attempts at amateur philosophy, mumbling things like “Every minute turns into the longest second, yet never ending” in his song “All Figured Out.”

When not pretending to be a strip club frequenting, snap-back wearing Aristotle, Big Sean spends ample time making references to Detroit, his hometown. I find this not only annoying, but confusing as well. Being from Detroit isn’t usually something people flaunt. In fact, it’s something people usually hide or admit only under threat of torture, like owning a Razor scooter as a college student or being a Buffalo Bills fan.

“Hall of Fame” has its diamonds, but so does Somalia, and I don’t plan on traveling there anytime soon. Ok, that’s too harsh again. “Hall of Fame” is simply subpar. If it’s not a sophomore slump, it’s at least a “sophomore showing up to his first day of classes wearing a jean jacket and cargo shorts,” and there’s a good chance most of its tracks won’t make it past the gatekeeper into my iTunes library. Listening to it didn’t make me want to drive away into the night and never come back, but that may be because I don’t have a car and because I’m afraid of the skunk that has been staking out my house.

Here’s my final recommendation: Give “Hall of Fame” a listen out of courtesy, download the highlights and move on with your life. Big Sean can and will rebound. All we can do at this point is wait until he does.

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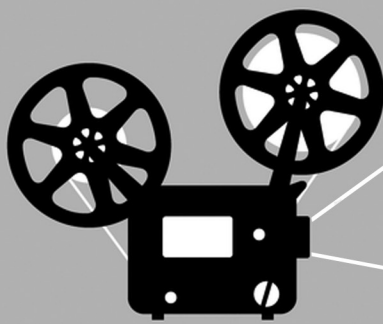
“Hall of Fame”

Big Sean

Label: GOOD Music

Tracks: “Beware,” “Switch Up”

If you like: Kanye West, A\$AP Rocky

FALL MOVIE
PREVIEW

Lionsgate

“Hunger Games:
Catching Fire”

Director: Francis Lawrence

Starring: Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson

Why we’re excited: We sort of feel like we’re somehow contractually obligated to see this.

If you like: Jennifer Lawrence

“Gravity”

Director: Alfonso Cuarón

Starring: Sandra Bullock, George Clooney

Why we’re excited: The movie is apparently about two people trapped in space for 90 minutes, which, at the very least, is a change of pace from summer blockbusters.

If you like: Space



Warner Bros. Pictures

“The Counselor”

Director: Ridley Scott

Starring: Michael Fassbender, Penélope Cruz

Why we’re excited: Cormac McCarthy, author of “No Country for Old Men” and “The Road,” wrote the script, so odds are it’s going to be a little violent, a little funny and very, very good.

If you like: “No Country for Old Men”



20th Century Fox

“Don Jon”

Director: Joseph Gordon-Levitt

Starring: Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Scarlett Johansson

Why we’re excited: Gordon-Levitt and Johansson both sport some serious Jersey accents in the trailer.

If you like: “Jersey Shore,” “500 Days of Summer”



Relativity Media

“The Wolf of Wall Street”

Director: Martin Scorsese

Starring: Leonardo DiCaprio, Jonah Hill

Why we’re excited: Nobody can remember the last time Scorsese made a bad movie, and this doesn’t look like the one that’s going to break the streak.

If you like: “Wall Street,” “The Departed”



Paramount Pictures

“Machete Kills”

Director: Richard Rodriguez

Starring: Danny Trejo

Why we’re excited: “Machete” was one of the most entertaining action movies in recent memory, and if the trailer is any indication, “Machete Kills” is going to make the original look like “Downton Abbey.”

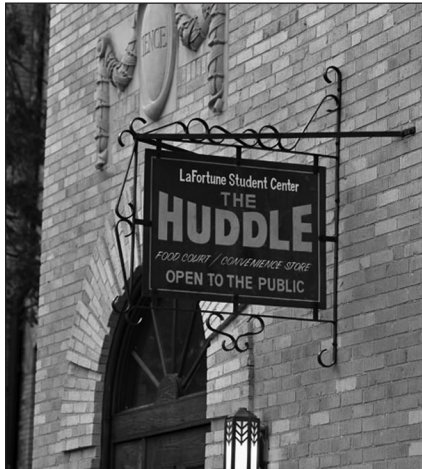
If you like: “Machete”



Open Road Films

WEEKEND EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY



What: Best of LaFortune
When: 10 p.m.
Where: LaFortune
How Much: Free

Come to LaFun on Thursday night for an exploration of all the great things the student center has to offer. And if you don't make it, just come by later to check out Taco Bell.

FRIDAY



What: Irishenanigans
When: 9 p.m.
Where: Campus-wide
How Much: Free

The Student Activities Office will be hosting all sorts of food, fun, games and shenanigans all over campus Friday night, so get out there and get wild.

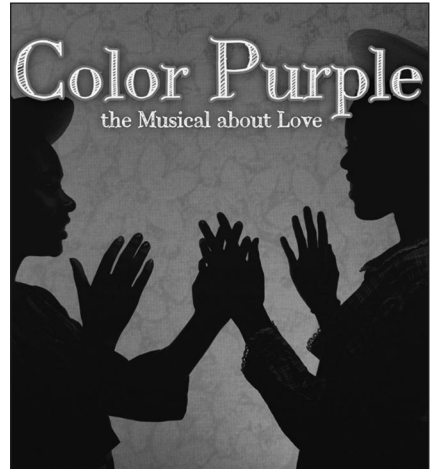
SATURDAY



What: Notre Dame vs. Michigan game watch
When: 8 p.m.
Where: Legends
How Much: Free

If you can't find a ride and a ticket to Ann Arbor, Mich., on Saturday, head to Legends to watch Notre Dame run rampant over Michigan, whose mascot is essentially a skunkbear.

SUNDAY



What: "The Color Purple"
When: 3 p.m.
Where: The South Bend Civic Theatre
How Much: \$21

Get off campus for a little culture Sunday, for the closing show of "The Color Purple" at the South Bend Civic Theatre. The musical, based on a 1982 novel, was nominated for the Best Musical Tony Award in its original Broadway run.

'ORANGE IS THE NEW BLACK' BINGE-WORTHY



Juan Ramon Cancio Vela
 Scene Writer

In early 2013, Netflix released "House of Cards", a must watch for political drama enthusiasts. This marked the beginning of a new Netflix phenomenon; the internet service has expanded its arsenal of weapons, and has decidedly shown that they are not only a material hosting website but they can also produce their own great "television" series.

I consider it television because although it doesn't actually air on television, calling these "web series" doesn't do justice to the rich content or acting that goes into this quality product.

Coming on the heels of said recent success, Netflix released "Orange Is the New Black" this summer. If you haven't seen it yet, this series is definitely worth watching. It has a different comedic grace and human element that "House of Cards" was somewhat lacking, but it still manages to deliver the same great dramatic energy.

The series comes from Jenji Kohan, who previously created the critically acclaimed "Weeds." This first season of "Orange Is the New Black" clearly showcases Jenji's ability to create complicated anti-hero characters that we can't help but love.

The plot follows Piper Chapman, a woman who recently convicted of aiding and abetting a heroine smuggler involved in a large cartel operation.

She was your regular everyday 30-something who was about to get married, settle down, and start a family — that is, until one unfortunate mistake she made in her college years finally catches up with her.

After a slow starting first episode that documents the days and hours before her going to prison, the show immediately takes off. Piper is thrust into a world filled with seemingly simple female-centric drama that quickly veers its ugly head to show a nastier reality.

She quickly comes to realize the slight differences between prison and the real world; on the inside, insulting the wrong

girl could end up in a fist fight, a stabbing attempt or any of a myriad of other more subtle tortures.

That is, of course, all while trying to avoid inadvertently inviting a corrections officer to feel the need to take advantage of their power over you. The dog-eat-dog world of the federal penitentiary system is a far cry from her once idyllic Manhattan life.

Piper is forced to adapt quickly to the ruthless and unapologetic prison scene, for her own wellbeing and that of her friends.

Without ruining any of the finer points of the drama, I will say that Piper effectively shows us what the waking nightmare of prison life will do to even the most stable and well-adjusted person.

Herein lies the true greatness of this show because it does not only focus solely on the main character and her struggles, it also delves deeper into the past decisions of many of the supporting characters and the reasons behind why they landed themselves a bunk in federal prison.

This peek into the backstories of the supporting characters allows us to see not only why these women are imprisoned, but also why they react to certain aspects of prison life in very particular and specific ways.

You grow to know these characters fairly well and in a sense love how human they feel, even if the context of their daily lives is completely alien to us.

Perhaps the true beauty of this story's context is that you get to see that in the end we are all human, we can all make mistakes; however, the more important point is that what we chose to do after we have made mistakes is what defines our character.

I highly recommend this series for anyone looking to procrastinate or for anyone looking for their next quality Netflix binge.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

NFL will catch up to speedy QBs



Aaron Sant-Miller
Sports Writer

With the kickoff of NFL season today, you, like myself, probably have been sufficiently inundated with NFL news. As a result, by now, you surely know that Geno Smith will be starting for the New York Jets and Terrelle Pryor will be starting for the Oakland Raiders in Week 1.

These moves reflect a larger movement in the NFL as a whole, as teams have begun to shift from the classic pocket passer to more mobile quarterbacks. In their pre-draft workouts, both Pryor and Smith ran sub-4.6 forty-yard dashes, with Pryor running a blazing 4.38. Currently, passers who can run a 40-yard dash in under 4.6 seconds account for more than a quarter of NFL starting quarterbacks.

Of the nine speedsters starting at quarterback in Week 1, all but one were drafted in 2011, 2012 or 2013. Conversely, of the 19 starting quarterbacks who were drafted before 2011, Michael Vick is the only passer who ran under a 4.6 40-yard dash. Quarterbacks like Philip Rivers, Tom Brady and Peyton Manning, with their five-second plus times, are becoming dinosaurs.

Much of this has to do with the read-option craze that started with Cam Newton in 2011 and was continued with Robert Griffin III and Colin Kaepernick in 2012. The read option was incredibly successful in 2012, as these young quarterbacks dominated NFL headlines. I wouldn't bank on the same being true this year in 2013.

This "electric" little phase reminds me of the NFL's stint with the Wildcat formation a few years back. That all started when the Dolphins marched into Foxboro, Mass. and upset the Patriots in Week 3 of the 2008 season, handing New England their first regular season loss since 2006. In that game, the Dolphins went into the Wildcat formation six times. On those six plays, Miami gained 119 yards and scored four touchdowns.

But, where is the Wildcat now?

Defenses quickly learned how to counter it. In this day and age, NFL defenders are just too athletic. With all that athleticism to play with and sound teaching and fundamentals, NFL defensive coordinators promptly adapted. When the Patriots traveled to Miami nine weeks later, the Patriots held the Dolphins to only 25

yards on eight carries from the Wildcat formation and won 48-28.

There are few things on this planet that adapt faster than NFL defenses. The coaching is just too good and the athletes too gifted. Sure, the read-option has been tougher on defensive coordinators than the Wildcat was. It still was a resounding success late in the postseason, as Kaepernick ran all over Green Bay for 181 yards.

That will change.

Now, defensive coordinators have been gifted an entire off-season to develop a plan for the read-option. It would be safe to say that a large portion of the last eight months have been devoted to figuring out a way to contain the Kaepernicks, Newtons and Griffins of the NFL.

Many will argue that the read-option is an entirely different beast than the Wildcat, with a more functional passer taking the snap. Others will cite the continued success of the read-option at the college football level. Some will argue these quarterbacks are just too incredibly gifted to slow down. This year, those young passers continue to be taken early and often in fantasy football drafts, as fans and pundits alike look forward to the age of the dual-threat NFL quarterback.

Maybe I'm just a hater and a contrarian, but I don't buy it. I refuse to anoint these young guns as the future of the NFL. I maintain my faith in the adaptability of NFL defenses. In my mind, this is just a phase, an NFL fling with the college game.

I will go out on a limb and say that all the fans who took dual-threat quarterbacks early in fantasy drafts will be kicking themselves in December. I will go out on a limb and say that, in December, SportsCenter will be smothered with analysts highlighting how well NFL defenses adapted.

While all this is going on, I will be sitting back and enjoying my Peyton Manning led fantasy football team. Maybe I'm old school, but I maintain my faith in the Tom Bradys and Peyton Mannings of the NFL. Sure, as a fan, I don't support either of them. But, as an NFL aficionado, I'd take either of them any day with their pocket passing and 5.2 40-yard dashes over these young speedsters.

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MLB

Masterson injured as Indians fall to Orioles

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Justin Masterson's health is in serious doubt. The Indians' playoff chances are just as iffy.

Masterson was pulled from his start in the second inning with soreness in his left side and Cleveland's hitters stayed in a collective slump Monday night with a 7-2 loss to the Baltimore Orioles, one of the teams the Indians are scrapping with for the AL wild card.

Masterson felt tightness in his side in the first inning, and after applying a heat ointment between innings, Cleveland's All-Star ace took the mound in the second thinking he would be able to continue.

But after a few pitches, his outing was done — and it's possible his season could be over as well.

"It just tightened up on me," Masterson (14-10) said. "I went out to throw and it was like, 'Oh, boy.' I couldn't get through a pitch. I was trying to sink 'em in there, but it wasn't going to work."

Masterson will undergo an MRI and other tests Tuesday. Those results could determine whether the Indians will continue to battle for one of two playoff spots.

"Hopefully it's nothing serious," All-Star second baseman Jason Kipnis said. "Definitely love to have the big fella out there for us. He's our ace."

Bud Norris (10-10) stayed unbeaten as a starter with Baltimore and Nate McLouth homered and had three RBIs as the Orioles moved 1½ games ahead of the Indians in the wild-card standings.

Norris allowed one run — a homer to Kipnis in the seventh — and four hits in seven innings. The right-hander improved to 4-0 in seven starts with the Orioles, who acquired

him at the July 31 trading deadline from Houston.

Matt Wieters hit a two-run homer in the ninth and Brian Roberts drove in two runs for the Orioles, who didn't take any satisfaction in not having to face Masterson for more than two innings.

"You hate to see that," McLouth said. "I feel really bad for him. He can go through stretches of a game where he's so dominant. It does make a difference."

Masterson said it's possible he could only miss a few days and that some rest will help. However, he also realizes the tests could reveal something more significant.

"It's not the best-case scenario," he said. "So if it is any more serious than I think it is, we have some good guys in place that can do a lot of work. We're hoping things will be all right. We have a lot of guys coming up who can help out and do a good job."

"I think you're going to see the guys really battle over the next 25 games that we got."

"That's going to show up whether I'm here or not."

With just one month left, the Indians aren't going to take any chances with Masterson, their leader in wins, innings and just about everything else.

"It's hard to quantify," Indians manager Terry Francona said when asked about Masterson's value. "He's our best pitcher. But when things don't go your way, you can either feel sorry for yourselves or you can find a way to shine. I hope that we are able to come back, whether it takes everybody in the bullpen or guys on the bench, keep fighting."

"That's the best way to do it."

After dropping two of three in Boston and New York, the Orioles, who staggered through a 12-14 August, arrived in

Cleveland needing to string some wins together.

"I knew that schedule was going to be a challenge," manager Buck Showalter said before the game. "We're .500 in our last 10 games. Is it half full or half empty?"

Norris provided some more optimism, striking out eight and keeping his record unblemished in seven starts since joining Baltimore. He allowed just one hit through five innings, and picked Michael Brantley off second in the second.

The Indians are sliding in the wrong direction.

They went 1-5 on a trip to Atlanta and Detroit, only salvaging the finale Sunday thanks to a ninth-inning grand slam by Mike Aviles to beat the Tigers.

Masterson initially showed discomfort while working to Wieters leading off the second. He grimaced and flared his elbow at his side, a motion that sent Francona to the mound accompanied by a trainer.

The right-hander stayed in the game, but after allowing a single to Wieters, he threw an 87 mph fastball to Nick Markakis and paused.

Catcher Carlos Santana headed to the mound and shortstop Asdrubal Cabrera immediately waved toward the dugout, bringing Francona again.

He took the ball from Masterson, who dejectedly walked off the field and then disgustedly tossed a cup of water in the dugout before heading to the clubhouse.

"There wasn't any pull or anything like that that I'm aware of," Masterson said. "We're going to get a few more things checked out over the next couple days."

Preston Guilmet replaced Masterson and gave up a single to Markakis. With one out, McLouth hit an apparent RBI double to center.

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O'Malley

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know we can shut out teams like [No. 9] UCLA.”

Heading into his fourth season as O'Malley's coach, Clark said he has seen the field experience mature O'Malley as a player.

“O'Malley is a very good player, and this year he has become even better knowing when to pressure and when to play softer,” Clark said. “Times before he might have been too impulsive, but he is becoming more cerebral on the field.”

In order to set himself and his team up for success on the field, O'Malley must prepare himself mentally prior to

game time.

“My mindset is that I need to get all the little things done beforehand and then let the big things fall into place,” O'Malley said. “I feel that you need to keep your mind in a good place, put yourself in the right spot and make sure you're focused.”

In addition to preparing himself before game time, O'Malley has an important role in pumping up the rest of the team as well.

“His actions on the field are great, but he does this pre-game pump up for the team,” Shipp said. “The team really respects him and listens to him for that, so he brings a lot of heart and gets the team ready.”

As O'Malley and the Irish are preparing to take to the field for their regular season, O'Malley said he is excited for the team's first season in the ACC to begin.

“I'm really excited about being in the ACC because it's the best soccer conference in the country, and I know our team is capable of winning every game,” O'Malley said. “I want us to be known as the new team that beat them all.”

O'Malley and the Irish will ride that confidence into a huge ACC test this weekend, as they take on No. 3 North Carolina on Sunday at Alumni Stadium.

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Senior defender Andrew O'Malley, pictured against Michigan State on Sept. 14, started in 15 matches last season.

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SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles race with alumnae

By COLE SCHIETINGER
Sports Writer

This Saturday, Saint Mary's will host its annual Alumnae Race. Following last weekend's fourth place finish at the Wabash Hokum Karem race, the Belles will look to have some fun and get a good run in as they welcome back former Belles runners.

“It should be a great time though and I'm hoping to see continued solid work out of the ladies,” Belles coach Jacqueline Bauters said.

In contrast with last week's four-mile relays, this weekend, the Saint Mary's runners will compete in the season's first 5-kilometer race (5K). Last year, senior Jessica Biek starred in these races, even posting the schools fifth-best 5K time. Last

weekend, freshman Brittany Beeler partnered with Biek to continue her streak of strong finishes by coming in fifth place overall and first for the Belles with a time of 23:51.45.

“Brittany Beeler has been an excellent training companion for Biek,” Bauters said. “I think their partnering up will take them and the team places this fall.”

Along with Beeler, four other freshmen made their debuts at the Wabash Hokum Karen race. Among the standouts debuting was Kaitlyn Alessi, who partnered with senior Sarah Thompson to finish with a time of 25:52.85, good for third for Saint Mary's and 15th overall. Not to be outdone, all of the freshmen had strong debuts last weekend and have been working

hard to improve on their times for this weekend's race.

“We will have to see how things shake out in another week, but I'm hoping there isn't much of a gap [between our other runners],” Bauters said. “Time will tell.”

With so many newcomers, the Belles have looked to some of their returning runners to step up. Last weekend, such a performance came from the pairing of junior Samee Chittenden and sophomore Allie Danhof, who had the team's second-best time at 24:10.75, and finished in seventh place for the Belles.

The Belles will return to action with their alumnae this Saturday at 9 a.m.

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Annual Drinking Water Quality Report 2012 Consumer Confidence Report

The amendments to the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act require each public water supply to produce a water quality report titled the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). Following is the University's annual report for the 2012 calendar year.

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Water Quality Data

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Regulated at Point of Entry (Well)

Substance	Highest Level Detected	EPA's MCL	EPA's MCLG	Range	Source of Contamination
Barium (ppm)	0.14	2.0	2.0	0.061 - 0.14	Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (mg/L)	0.6	10	10	<0.1 - 0.6	Runoff from fertilizer, septic tanks, natural deposits
Nickel (ppm)	0.010	0.1	0	0.0026 - 0.010	Pipe material, natural deposits
Chromium (ppm)	0.0072	0.1	0.1	0.0040 - 0.0072	Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	<0.5	4.0	4.0	<0.5 - <0.5	Runoff from fertilizer, erosion of natural deposits
Arsenic (ppm)	0.0041	0.01	0.0	<0.0020 - 0.0041	Erosion of natural deposits
Gross alpha (pCi/L)	4.2	15	0	2.1 - 6.3	Naturally occurring
Gross beta (pCi/L)	25.4	50	0	1.3 - 25.4	Decay of natural and manmade deposits

Unregulated Substances

Substance	Highest Level Detected	EPA's MCL	EPA's MCLG	Range	Source of Contamination
Sodium (ppm)	75	100	-	42 - 75	Erosion of natural deposits

Regulated at User Tap

Substance	Highest Level Detected	EPA's MCL	EPA's MCLG	Range	Source of Contamination
Copper (ppb) 90 th percentile	550	1300	1300	2.7 - 550	Corrosion of plumbing systems
Lead (ppb) 90 th percentile	5.9	15	0	<1.0 - 5.9	Corrosion of plumbing systems

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MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL). The highest level of a contaminant allowed in drinking water.

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Thompson returns as assistant coach



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Senior Julie Sabacinski, serving against DePaul on Mar. 2, will be coached by former Irish player Catrina Thompson this season.

By **VICKY JACOBSEN**
Sports Writer

When head coach Jay Louderback learned that he would need to look for a new assistant coach at the end of last season, he says he had a pretty good idea of whom he wanted for the job.

He immediately thought of former Irish players Catrina and Christian Thompson, twin sisters and doubles partners who were the No. 1 doubles tandem in the country during for parts of the 2005 and 2006. Since the two graduated in 2007, both had become assistant coaches, Catrina at Boise State and Christian at Denver.

"It's been great to get some of our ex-players to come back as assistants," Louderback said. "Christian, she had just gone to Denver and was enjoying it, so Catrina was really the first one we were looking at.

"I called the Boise coach just to see if we could talk to her, and he was really amazing about it. He felt like it was somewhere she'd like to be."

Catrina Thompson had been teammates with Kelcy Flores, Louderback's previous assistant coach, while the two were students at Notre Dame. She had heard that Flores and her husband had decided to relocate to Tulsa, and she jumped at the opportunity to return to the program.

"It feels like a homecoming, being back on campus," Thompson said. "Being back with Jay and then just being back here at Notre Dame, you get chills walking around campus."

During her collegiate career, Thompson was a three-time ITA All-American for her doubles play, as well as the Big East Championship MVP in 2005 and 2006. She and her sister won the ITA All-American Championship in 2005, and advanced to the quarterfinals of the NCAA Championship in 2007. She began her career playing in the No. 3 or 4 spot in dual matches, but moved up to the No. 1 position for her junior and senior years.

"She had a big game," Louderback said. "She had a big serve, a really, really good forehand, volleyed well, but was just also very competitive, a great, great competitor."

Thompson, who originally hails from Las Vegas, didn't move straight to coaching after graduation. She played professionally in a series of tournaments, winning one title apiece in 2007 and 2008 (her doubles team also took two wins as challengers in the summer of 2006). Thompson also worked as a tennis instructor at the Sutton East Tennis Club in New York City from 2008 to 2011.

Thompson began her coaching career as a volunteer assistant for Yale in 2010, which she saw as a way to stay connected to tennis even as her playing career ended.

"I was six years old when I started, and it's always been a part of my life, so it's tough to hang up the racket," Thompson said. "And coaching, what better way to be able to help other players?"

Thompson spent the last two years at Boise State. In 2013, the Broncos went 13-10, and Thompson was named the ITA Mountain Region Assistant Coach of the year.

"Having the two years at Boise State, you feel more comfortable with the on-court coaching experience," Thompson said. "I think you become more passionate as you get more years under your belt coaching."

She'll need that enthusiasm in

the coming months. While the team usually has about nine players, this year there are 12 athletes on the roster. That means more individual sessions, more hitting and more split-squad weekends.

"We've got quite a few [players] who like to hit extra and do extra work, so with that many we're really busy," Louderback said. "And we're splitting our fall up,

where we have some going to one tournament, some to another, so she'll be traveling with some of them, just her."

And while Thompson said she thinks the current squad has enough talent to win a conference title, she's also happy to be back at a program that feels like home.

"Obviously, I'm biased, but

[Louderback] runs one of the best programs in the country, and I really don't think there's any coach who cares more about his players," Thompson said. "So to be back at a program like Notre Dame, a top program, is obviously an amazing opportunity."

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Jackson

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the other guys that had carried that team for years and years, it was basically just turning over a new leaf," he said. "Whenever a new quarterback steps in, the Notre Dame nation is pretty much holding their breath just not knowing how it's going to unfold. We were able to come out and we were able to make Notre Dame nation proud."

Jackson worked with, among other coaches, Urban Meyer while Meyer was the Notre Dame receivers coach. At the time, the Irish were primarily an option team with bits of the spread offense mixed in as well.

"We ran a number of different offenses and being part of the spread offense is what coach Meyer definitely had his hand in on," Jackson said. "He would work with the quarterbacks as well as the receivers, getting the game plan down. That's when I was able to really take time with coach Meyer and try to learn how to read defenses in regards to the spread offense."

Meyer revolutionized college football with his spread option attack and unique use of mobile quarterbacks. Jackson said his career would have been better if he had exclusively been in Meyer's offense.

"I think I would have been awesome in it, being a mobile quarterback with a lot of arm," he said.

"In the short time I was in it, for a while there, I held the Notre Dame single-season passing record. That was before Brady Quinn and a couple other guys came along and started running that caliber of offense for three or four years as compared to me only running it for one."

"I think I would have fared pretty well if that was the system I was in for a longer amount of time."

After his Notre Dame career concluded, Jackson played four seasons with the Denver Broncos before heading north of the border to play in the Canadian Football League (CFL). Jackson played eight seasons in the CFL and won three Grey Cups — two with the BC Lions and one with the Toronto Argonauts. He said the adjustment to the CFL was a difficult one.

"You have to get used to a bigger field and the goalposts being in the front of the end zone and a 12th man being on the field as opposed to 11 and then only having two downs to get a first down as opposed to three," he said. "There were a few adjustments in dealing with that. The game is a lot faster than American football."

He retired in February of this year, capping a career in which he threw for 7,878 yards and 55 touchdowns, to coach the Lions' quarterbacks.

Jackson said the Lions received permission to speak with him about the job and a couple months later, Jackson asked Toronto to

release him.

"It was kind of bittersweet," he said. "It was at that point I knew I would have to give up playing and it would be the end of my career. On the good side, though, I'm still part of football, I'm still part of the sport that I love. I get to pass on knowledge and help other guys."

The 2000 marketing graduate said his coaching style is not about teaching his quarterback to throw the ball.

"It's more about giving him the knowledge between the ears," Jackson said. "If he knows where to go with the ball, to me, that's more important than how he throws or how he looks when he throws."

Jackson said he does not have an ultimate coaching destination and is content to be where he is right now.

"If it happens, it happens," he said. "I don't have a set goal, per se, of 'I have to be here or I have to be there.' I'm happy where I am here north of the border. If the opportunity presents itself, it'll be something I have to think about and I'll cross that bridge at that time. I'm in the here and now as far as the BC Lions and the CFL. I can't complain about it."

Jackson, 36, lives in Vancouver and is married with three kids.

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Naughton

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team and All-Big East rookie team.

Naughton's successful freshman season also helped her land an expanded role on the United States Under-20 National Team, as she started both matches on the team's Sweden exhibition tour in May.

"Personally, [playing on the national team] just helped with my speed of play and made me have to be consistent on a regular basis," Naughton said.

The Under-20 National Team experience also allowed the Breen-Phillips resident to spend more time with her college teammates, as she trained with sophomore forward Crystal Thomas, sophomore forward Cari Roccaro, freshman midfielder Morgan Andrews and freshman goalkeeper Kaela Little in various national team camps.

"It was so much fun to be able to play with all those girls," Naughton said. "I can't wait to be able to play with them more this season because I know we'll all do great, and it's just going to be a good year."

So far, this season has been a good one for Naughton, as she and the rest of the

Irish defense have allowed only three goals through four games. The anthropology and Spanish double major has even found new ways to leave her mark in the stats sheet — she added a goal and an assist in Notre Dame's 4-1 win over Northwestern on Aug. 25.

"It's exciting because [defenders] don't usually score, so those are always fun moments," she said. "Those are exciting times, but just as long as we keep making those opportunities, then it will be fun down the road."

Waldrum anticipates many exciting times ahead for a player he believes could be one of the best at a position where Notre Dame has been traditionally strong.

"I've always said I think [Naughton] can leave here in a couple of years and be one of the best central backs that's played here, and we've had some good ones," he said. "She's just so competitive and so strong physically, she's got the physical presence, and the size, the strength, the height. Katie right now is well on her way toward having that whole package."

Naughton and the Irish will return to action against Detroit on Sunday at Alumni Stadium.

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Jackson recalls debut win over Michigan

Former quarterback led No. 22 Irish to upset of No. 5 Wolverines in first career start in 1998

By **MATTHEW DeFRANKS**
Assistant Managing Editor

Tom Brady was on the opposite sideline. The Wolverines had rings on their fingers. Michigan was a top-five team.

Sound intimidating? Not to quarterback Jarious Jackson, who was starting his first game in the 1998 season opener.

"For me personally, I wasn't thinking of anything they had accomplished in the past," Jackson said in a phone interview with The Observer. "We weren't thinking about ourselves, what we had done in the past. I was pretty much taking it for what it was, every game."

No. 22 Notre Dame responded from a 13-6 halftime deficit to explode for 30 unanswered second-half points and upset No. 5 Michigan 36-20. Jackson did not post impressive numbers, but became the ninth consecutive

first-time starter to win his first game.

He completed 4 of 10 passes for 96 yards with two touchdowns and an interception. He also added 16 carries for 62 yards on the ground.

"The only numbers I care about, even to this day as a coach, are wins and losses," Jackson said. "I've always been that way. I didn't care if I threw three touchdowns with three interceptions ... but the biggest stat that I cared about after the game was the fact that we won."

Jackson did, however, provide one of the biggest highlights of the day when he connected with receiver Raki Nelson on a 36-yard score in the third quarter.

On the first play following a Michigan fumble, Jackson faked an option play to the fullback as the offensive line shifted left. Right guard Jerry Wisne accidentally stepped on Jackson, who struggled to keep his balance, stumbling back eight

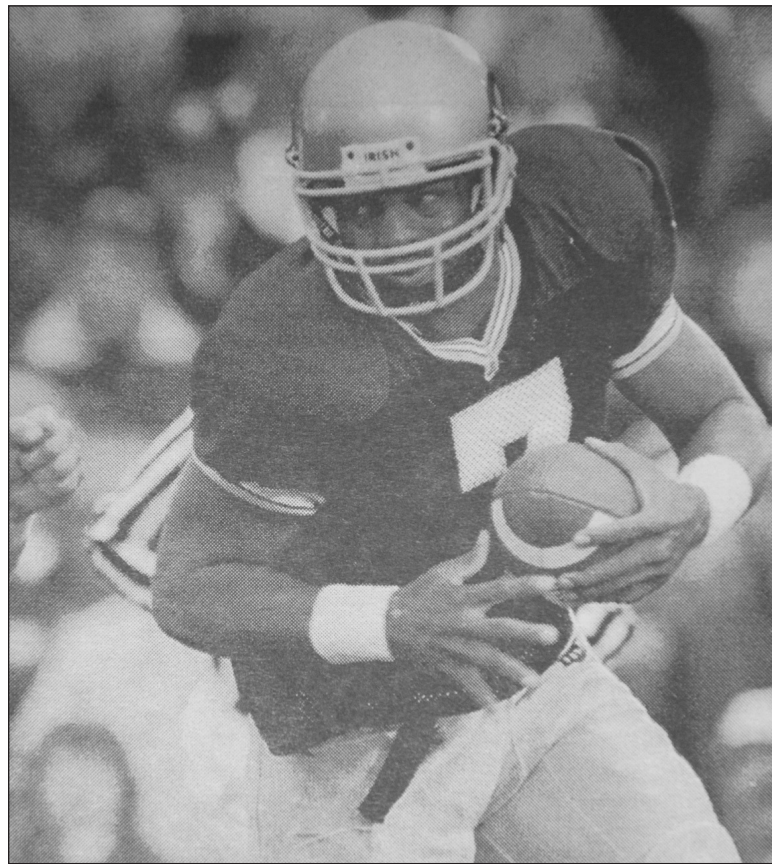
yards before lofting a pass down the left sideline to Nelson. Nelson ran under the ball at 11-yard line with no Wolverines within 10 yards of him.

"I was able to keep my balance and I could still see Raki Nelson," Jackson said. "Even though I was stumbling and bumbling, I still kind of saw Raki. As soon as I came up, I knew guys were going to be there to hit me. I just wanted to get the ball gone as fast as I could and he was able to finish the play."

After the game, some Irish players lifted coach Bob Davie onto their shoulders and carried him to midfield. Jackson said the win was big for not only himself, but also for Davie too.

"Dealing with the rivalry that we've had with Michigan for decades, dealing with the first year without Ron Powlus and some of

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Former Notre Dame quarterback Jarious Jackson carries the ball against Michigan on Sept. 5, 1993. The Irish won, 36-20.

ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Sophomore captains Irish

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Entering the season off a summer that saw her gain valuable international soccer experience, Notre Dame sophomore defender Katie Naughton expected to continue developing as a critical cog in the Irish defense. But she didn't expect to take on a role normally reserved for seniors.

Shortly before the start of the season, members of the No. 8 Irish squad selected Naughton as one of the team's three captains, thrusting her into a rather unexpected position of authority.

"I'm honored they thought that I could fill that role that [former Irish defender] Jazmin Hall had left behind," Naughton said. "I just want to make sure I do a good job and represent the team as best I can."

Naughton, who shares the honor of tri-captain with senior midfielders Mandy Laddish and Elizabeth Tucker, said she tries to lead the team with her quiet yet steady defensive efforts.

"I think I tend to lead more by example," she said. "I'm not necessarily the most vocal or rambunctious player on the field, but I do try to do things the right way, and I think that's what people see the most."



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Sophomore defender Katie Naughton, pictured against UCLA on Sept. 1, is one of three Irish captains.

Irish coach Randy Waldrum said Naughton's leadership on the field is exactly what makes her suited to be the team's captain.

"[Naughton's] one of those kids that does everything right," he said. "She plays hard, she trains hard, she's a great player, but she's humble, she's very good in the classroom, she takes care of her business there and sets a great example on the

field."

The Elk Grove Village, Ill., native became a fixture on the Irish defense last season, when she started 23 of the team's 24 matches. Her presence in a defense that posted a 0.73 goals-against average last season became noted early, and she was named to both the All-Big East third

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MEN'S SOCCER

O'Malley serves as vocal leader

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Every team needs a voice — a voice to lead, motivate and engage. For the Irish, that voice is senior captain and defender Andrew O'Malley.

O'Malley and fifth-year-senior and captain Grant Van De Castele are the heart of the No. 5 Irish defense, but it is O'Malley's voice that is heard across the field.

"One of the things O'Malley brings to the table is that he is a good on-the-field leader," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "It is so important to have someone in your defense that talks well, and that is something he does exceptionally well."

It's not only Clark that recognizes the power of O'Malley's voice on the field, but also his fellow teammates.

"I think he is definitely the best person on our team in terms of verbal communication," senior captain and forward Harrison Shipp said.

Shipp said that even though O'Malley's vocal leadership is coming from the backline, it has an exceptional impact on the offense.

"He sets the tone for what we are going to do," Shipp said. "His strong communicative skills help us form defensive lines."

Though O'Malley has a leadership presence acclaimed by coaches and players alike, he doesn't let the title of captain get to his head.

"Being a captain is just a title — everyone leads on the team," O'Malley said.

Even so, O'Malley himself still recognizes the unique power his voice carries on the field.

"When something needs to be said on the field, I say it," O'Malley said. "Everyone likes to say they lead by example, but I know I lead by voice."

In addition to his voice, O'Malley brings plenty of talent to the Notre Dame lineup. Named Big East Defensive Player of Week after helping the Irish beat Duke 1-0 last season, O'Malley said that the Irish defense's greatest strength is its experience.

"After playing teams like the Mexican national team last spring and against players who are now getting paid millions of dollars in the MLS, there's not a lot that rattles we

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