

Notre Dame falls to Michigan

Wolverines beat the Irish, 41-30, in the last scheduled rivalry match-up in the Big House

By CHRISTOPHER DANIEL
News Writer

The Irish traveled to Michigan Stadium this weekend to face off against one of their historic rivals: the Michigan Wolverines. In a nighttime battle under the lights, the Wolverines defeated the Irish 41-30 and left ND fans disappointed.

Saturday's game marked the second time that Notre Dame has played a night game in the Michigan Stadium "We just came up short on a couple of key plays... we weren't able to come up with [them] offensively," Irish coach Brian Kelly said after the game

John O'Brien, a senior studying mechanical engineering, said that Michigan Stadium was an extremely exciting environment.

"It's a great rivalry," O'Brien said, "There were 115,109 people there, but there was a lot of yellow."

Junior defensive lineman Stephon Tuitt's fourth-quarter end-zone interception, which cut the Wolverine lead to 34-27, raised hopes for many Notre Dame fans.

Sophomore Luke Kiefer said that the small section of Notre Dame fans around him at the game got very excited.

"People just went crazy during the interception in the end zone," Kiefer said, "The small patch of green that was around me went



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Notre Dame dropped to 21st after a 41-30 loss against Michigan. The Irish played the Wolverines for the last time in the Big House on Saturday.

nuts."

Kiefer said that although there were an overwhelming amount of Michigan fans, plenty of support could be seen from Irish fans as well.

Thy Notre Dame Marching Band returned to Ann Arbor for Saturday's game despite an aggressive run-in between band members and Michigan fans in 2011. Freshman band member James Ryan said he experienced verbal insults but little physical hostility this year from Michigan fans.

"Yells of 'Go home,' and 'Play a song,' could be heard from their fans," Ryan said. "One woman behind me insisted on hitting me with her pom-pom whenever she could since I was in the back row."

Despite a few unpleasant encounters, Ryan said the Michigan band was respectable and cordial. "It was a really cool place to be, even though we lost," he said

While fans are upset over the loss, others are more upset that Michigan is being dropped from Notre Dame's schedule. The teams are not scheduled to play

again after 2014.

Last week, Michigan head coach Brady Hoke said Notre Dame was "chickening out" of the rivalry to cbssports.com on May 13.

Notre Dame coach Brian Kelly said to the Chicago Tribune on Sept. 1 that he looked at the game as another challenge for his team.

"I really haven't seen it as one of those historic, traditional Notre Dame rivalries," Kelly said.

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NDSP reports sexual assault

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) is investigating a sexual assault reported over the weekend, according to an email sent to students Saturday evening.

The reported sexual assault occurred in a men's residence hall on North Quad during the early morning hours Saturday, police said. The assault was committed by a male.

In the email, police warned students of the risk of sexual assault.

"Sexual assault can happen to anyone at any time," the email stated. "College students are more likely to be assaulted by an acquaintance than a stranger. This means that the person perpetrating the assault could be part of the campus community.

"Being aware of your own safety and watching out for your friends are important steps you can take to reduce the risk of sexual assault."

Information about sexual assault prevention and resources for survivors of sexual assault is available online from both NDSP and the Committee for Sexual Assault Prevention, the email stated.

Panelists tell women to seek 'balance'

By CHRISTIAN MYERS
News Writer

Can Notre Dame women have it all? Panelists Muffet McGraw, Susan Pratt-Rosato and Dr. Mary O'Callaghan addressed this question for this year's first installment of the Professors for Lunch series.

The panel discussion, titled "Can Notre Dame Women Have it All? Career, Family, and the Pursuit of Post-graduation Happiness," brought the three women to the South Dining Hall's Oak Room on Friday at

noon. The audience was filled with members of the Notre Dame community, especially young women, eager to hear about the opinions and life experiences of the panelists.

O'Callaghan, a Notre Dame alumna, stay-at-home mother and activist for children with disabilities, began the discussion. She said she was glad to be part of this discussion.

"I'm really grateful to be part of this discussion, and it's great that we have this conversation

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Syrian crisis sparks activism

By CHARLIE DUCEY
News Writer

In response to Pope Francis' call for a day of prayer and fasting to promote peace in Syria, Notre Dame community leaders galvanized on-campus participation throughout the day on Saturday.

Junior Matthew Caponigro, a member of the Notre Dame Peace Fellowship, explained the importance of Notre Dame's reaction to the papal declaration for a day of peace and prayer.

"It's especially important that so many people were involved at Notre Dame because Pope Francis called for this day

of prayer on the feast day of Our Lady, in whose honor our university is founded," Caponigro said.

The centrality of Saint Mary permeated the event.

"Opening prayer took place

beneath the outstretched arms of the gilded statue of Mary atop the golden dome, and for closing prayer we met again under the auspice of Mother Mary

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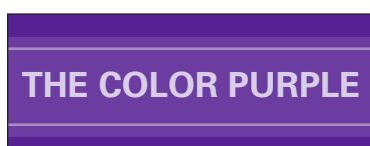
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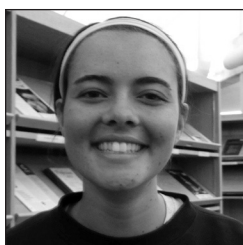
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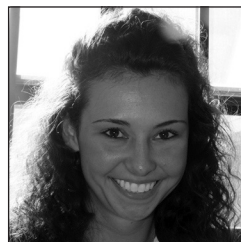
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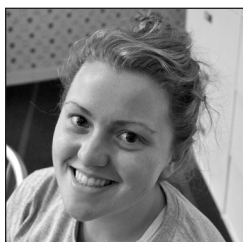
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"Drawing or listening to good music."



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Michigan quarterback Devin Gardner is interviewed after the Wolverines defeated the Irish 41-30 Saturday night at Michigan Stadium. Gardner, who will wear the number of former Michigan Heisman winner Tom Harmon for the rest of his collegiate career, threw for 294 yards in the last scheduled Notre Dame-Michigan matchup for the foreseeable future.

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Bond Hall
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Lecture on "Chinese Architecture and the Beaux Arts."

Berges Lecture

DeBartolo Hall
7 p.m.-8 p.m.
"The Notion of Competing," second in the lecture series.

Tuesday

Student Safety Summit
Carey Auditorium
5 p.m.-6 p.m.
Panel with local police agencies.

Four:7 Catholic Fellowship

Cavanaugh Hall
8:15 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
Student-led praise and fellowship.

Wednesday

Conversion and Literature Workshop
Geddes Hall
3 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
"Classical and Late Antiquity" workshop.

Kaneb Center Workshop

DeBartolo Hall
3:30 p.m.-5 p.m.
"Using Rubrics to Assess Student Work."

Thursday

Zen Meditation
Coleman-Morse Center
5:15 p.m.-6:15 p.m.
Open to students of all faiths.

"The Angel's Share"

DeBartolo Performing Arts Center
7 p.m.-10 p.m.
Part of the Nanovic Institute Film Series.

Friday

Women's Volleyball
Purcell Pavilion
7 p.m.-9 p.m.
The Irish take on Loyola Chicago in the Shamrock Invitational.

"Before Midnight"

DeBartolo Performing Arts Center
9:30 p.m.
A couple reflects on their life together.

ND launches food drive

By CATHERINE OWERS
News Writer

Today marks the beginning of the third annual "Fighting Irish, Fighting Hunger" food drive kicks off this week, which will last through Sept. 29.

Anne Kolaczyk, chairperson of "Fighting Irish, Fighting Hunger," said the drive began in 2010 under the name of "Holy Cross Harvest."

"It combined all the small food drives held by departments into one," she said. "We collected about 600 pounds of food and about \$2,500 in cash donations."

The drive was originally envisioned as a joint effort between the Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross, but has since been converted to a Notre Dame drive, Kolaczyk said. She said the drive was re-named "Fighting Irish, Fighting Hunger" this year to reflect that.

"The name reflects Notre Dame's unique effort, but we are still part of the 'Holy Cross Harvest' food drive," she said. "We also moved the date of the drive to September to coordinate with Hunger Action month."

Kolaczyk said the drive's new time has allowed for the committee to use different

fundraising techniques to target visitors on campus, as well as faculty and staff.

"There will be a special collection in the Basilica the weekend of the Michigan State game," she said. "Also, there will be donation jars at Food Service locations, and students attending the Blackhawks scrimmage on campus will be asked to bring a food item."

"A lot of kids depend on free breakfast and lunch at school because there's not enough food at home[...] Everything we get is needed."

Anne Kolaczyk
chairperson

Kolaczyk said all the food donations will go to United Way, which has a coalition of local food pantries.

"The money will be divided between the Food Bank of Northern Indiana and People Gotta Eat, a United Way organization," she said. "United Way has a donor who is willing to match our

monetary donation."

Kolaczyk said that the last food drive was in Feb. 2013.

"People were very generous eight and nine months ago, and we felt it was important to have another drive now," she said. "We didn't want people to forget about us."

The demand for donations is very high, especially in Northern Indiana, Kolaczyk said.

"A lot of kids depend on free breakfast and lunch at school because there's not enough food at home," she said. "Everything we get is needed."

According to a 2010 state report prepared for Feeding Indiana's Hungry, Inc., 80 percent of Indiana food pantries have experienced an increase in the number of clients since 2006.

"Many emergency food providers turn people away because they do not have enough food," the report said. "29 percent of pantries, 11 percent of kitchens and 42 percent of shelters reported turning away clients during the previous year."

Donation barrels are located around campus. Check fightinghunger.nd.edu for more information.

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Senior College Democrat appears on Hannity show

By TORI ROECK
Associate News Editor

Senior Adam Newman represented Notre Dame's College Democrats in a Sept. 6 episode of Fox News host Sean Hannity's primetime show.

Newman (*Editor's Note: Newman is a Viewpoint columnist.*) said the Hannity show assembled a group of seven Republican and seven Democrat college students from schools across the country to discuss current issues.

"Fox flew me out to New York, put me in a hotel in Times Square, had a driver to the hotel, a driver to the airport on the way home," Newman said. "It was all inclusive, essentially."

For the debate, the students sat in three rows of chairs while Hannity posed questions about current events and called on certain students to answer. Newman said the students had received a list of 10 potential questions before the show, but they were not reflective of the questions Hannity actually asked.

"Sean did not go by those at all," he said. "[There was] no talk of foreign policy. It was more debt and deficits. I'd say a lot of the issues were covered, but not in the way they represented it ... Them giving me those questions didn't help at all."

Newman said he prepared beyond the scope of the questions he received to make sure he was ready for the debate.

"This was an opportunity that many people would kill for, and I wanted to know leading up to it that I had done my best to prepare," he said. "Even though we're only talking about a three or four minute segment of me talking ... [I did] a lot of fact checking, I watched a lot of his tape. I wrote out talking points for almost every issue, and it was definitely worth it."

Newman said he caught Hannity, a staunch conservative, off guard a couple times, but his favorite moments were edited out of the show.

"[Hannity] took out parts that didn't make him look good ... It was an opportunity of a lifetime, and I think I did very well," he said. "However, they did edit me out, and this is going to come across as egotistical, but they did edit me out because I did a very good job."

In the episode as it aired, Newman spoke about taxes and health care, but in an unaired segment, Newman said Hannity called him a Marxist after he expressed moderate agreement with a quote from Karl Marx.

"He said, 'You're a communist, Adam, you're a communist,'"

Newman said. "I said, 'Sean, I know what you do on this show, you call people names. I'm a moderate Democrat. I am not a Communist.' At the time I wasn't that affected by it. I don't really care what he says. But after talking to my parents about it, it was interesting because I know that being called a Communist has a much different connotation

"He said, 'You're a communist, Adam' ... I said, 'Sean, I know what you do on this show, you call people names. I'm a moderate Democrat. I am not a Communist.'"

Adam Newman
senior

for our parents' age than for our age."

Newman said Hannity came off as a "bully" toward the students who appeared on his show.

"These are college students. They're younger. They've never been on TV before, and he went after them," he said. "He was trying to embarrass them. He was trying to condescend them. He was picking on them, on the weaker ones ... This is the Hannity I'm used to. I didn't expect anything different, but for some people he did come off very rudely."

Newman said he expected Hannity to be friendlier in the green room before the show, but was surprised at his choice of conversation topic.

"I know who he is on TV, and I would've thought that beforehand he would've been like, 'How's school going? What did you do this summer? What do you have going on this semester?'" he said. "He was right away like, 'You're a Democrat from Notre Dame. What's going on with you, man? I didn't know there were Democrats at Notre Dame.' He was really going after me right away."

Despite Hannity's argumentative tone, Newman said he is proud of his performance on the show and is grateful for the opportunity to defend his beliefs.

"Thanks to College Democrats' leadership for putting me out there. They trust me enough to do this," he said. "They were very kind and trusting, and I'm so thankful for their faith in me."

Clips from Newman's appearance are available on foxnews.com.

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ND adds study abroad locations

By MEG HANDELMAN
News Writer

Notre Dame's Office of International Studies announced they will offer three new opportunities for students to study abroad this spring. The programs will take place in South Korea, Spain and Switzerland beginning in 2014.

Kathleen Opel, Director of the International Studies department, said these programs were chosen at new sites to offer opportunities in locations where Notre Dame did not previously have study abroad programs.

"All three programs are starting with relatively few competitively selected students [...] Our goal is to provide more opportunities in different disciplines and geographic areas"

Kathleen Opel
director

"Students are offered new opportunities in engineering, physics and a wide array of programming at a top research university in Korea," she said. "Additionally, students on campus will benefit from the participation of international exchange

students in their classes and residence halls.

A press release from the International Studies department stated that Notre Dame will partner with Yonsei University in Seoul, South Korea to begin a bilateral exchange program. The program will be open to undergraduates in all majors.

In South Korea, students will be able to choose from a range of courses including Korean language, Korean studies, business economics, politics, sociology, engineering, sciences, and human ecology, the press release stated. The press release said the program does not require knowledge of the Korean language, since all courses will be taught in English.

"In [the] exchange program at Yonsei University in Seoul, several students from Yonsei will be able to study here while several of our students can take classes in the many disciplines offered at Yonsei," Opel said.

Notre Dame also partnered with the Polytechnic Institute of Valencia in Alcoy, Spain and will begin a bilateral exchange program in Spring 2014, the press release stated.

The program is designed for sophomore or junior engineering majors, specifically those in chemical, electrical and computer science engineering, it said.

"Polytechnic Institute of Valencia in Alcoy, Spain offers engineering study programs that complement engineering studies here on campus," Opel said. "As an exchange program, several students from Alcoy will study engineering here at

ND while several of our students may study there."

The program is open to only those students who have completed at least two semesters of college-level Spanish or the equivalent.

In Spring 2014, students will also have the opportunity to study at the University of Geneva (UNIGE) and the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN) in Switzerland, the press release said. The program is made possible through Boston University's Geneva-Physics program, it said.

Opel said the program in Geneva, Switzerland would provide students with the outstanding opportunity to study physics at the University of Geneva and work with some of the world's leading physicists at CERN.

The program will combine coursework in quantum physics and electrodynamics at UNIGE and directed research at CERN, the press release stated. Students majoring in physics who have completed at least two semesters of college-level French or the equivalent are eligible for the program.

The press release said students would be required to complete a specifically designed French-language tutorial before studying in Geneva.

"All three programs are starting with relatively few competitively selected students," Opel said. "Our goal is to provide more opportunities in different disciplines and geographic areas."

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SMC alum featured in art gallery

By REBECCA O'NEIL
News Writer

Moreau Art Galleries is featuring Saint Mary's alum Kristin Stransky alongside Marilyn Minter, an artist recently featured in New York's Museum of Modern Art.

Though the two exhibits, which opened Friday, Aug. 30 are wildly different in medium, their themes overlap.

Tiffany Bidler, assistant professor of art and director of the galleries, said her aim is to provide students with professional and educational pieces that are challenging and innovative in both content and media.

"My first consideration is whether or not I feel the work will inspire students," Bidler said.

Secondly, she seeks works that engage the various missions of the college.

"We educate women at Saint Mary's College and so I try to bring in the work of women artists whose work touches on issues of gender," she said.

The Galleries' director believes the Stransky and Minter's exhibits, located in the Sister Rosaire and the Hammes Gallery, respectively accomplish that mission.

"The Marilyn Minter exhibition that I curated considers makeup's materiality and its role in gendered performances that elicited desire and construct femininity," Bidler said. "My favorite work by Stransky is 'Landing Strip.' It's a brilliant piece about sexuality and boundaries."

Technology plays an

integral role in both the conception and process of Stransky's pieces, Stransky said.

"Ultimately, I saw art as a vehicle to explore both ideas and creation, both intellectual and hands on," she said.

The Little Theater and Sister Rosaire galleries also previously featured Kristen Stransky's pieces.

The Saint Mary's alumna is currently pursuing a master of fine arts in Emergent Digital Practices at the University of Denver.

"Coding and other technical formats often require adherence to strict processes and syntax to create a working unit, and I like to think that I bend those rules through meaning and the application of technology to craft and sculptural mediums," Stransky said.

Bidler, an art historian, said she likes to spend time comparing works of art, especially in her classes.

"Marilyn Minter is an internationally renowned contemporary artist. I first saw Green, Pink, Caviar while it was on view at the Museum of Modern Art, New York. The video is very sensuous, colorful, and hypnotic — it draws you in," Bidler said of Minter's piece.

Bidler said she loves the hypnotic quality of the Minter video, which sucks the viewer into a world of color and pleasure.

"I love that the context Minter provides about the photograph of her mother is at odds with some of the assumptions we might make about her mother based on a cursory glance at the photograph. I enjoy having my assumptions challenged by other artists," she said.

Bidler said the exhibition is a comparison of early work by Marilyn Minter and a late work by Marilyn Minter, at a basic level.

"It seeks to draw out themes that persist over time in her work," she said.

As for the connection between Stransky and Minter, Bidler encourages students to make their own conclusions.

"I have some ideas about the thematic ties between the Kristin Stransky and Marilyn Minter exhibitions, but I'd love for viewers to come in and make these connections for themselves," Bidler said.

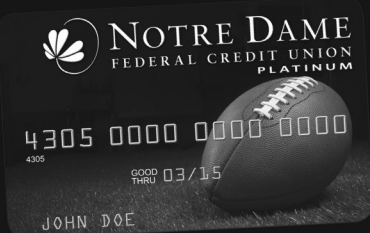
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Saint Mary's hosts annual welcome retreat

By **EMILY KEFELAS**
News Writer

This past weekend, Saint Mary's Campus Ministry hosted a spiritual retreat for first-year students centered on faith, community and friendship.

Senior Devree Stopczynski, retreat leader and this year's student coordinator, said the fundamental themes of the retreat were friendship and community.

"Through a series of talks, journal time, and small group discussions, the retreat explores the questions 'Who am I?', 'What is friendship?', and finally 'How do I become part of a community?'"

The retreat took place at Camp Amigo in Sturgis, Michigan. About 30 first-years and their leaders came together for the 24-hour journey, Stopczynski said.

Campus Ministry Assistant Director Regina Wilson, who attended the retreat, said the retreat aims to provide students with a positive and meaningful way to begin the new year.

"We always hold this retreat as soon as possible after the school

year begins because students get very busy with studies and find it hard to get away later in the year," Wilson said.

The religious getaway aims to ease any school stress while strengthening students' connection with Christ and their Belles community. This was accomplished through interactive activities and retreat team stories, freshman Kathryn FitzMaurice said.

"The retreat started with some get-to-know-you games," she said. "We had about three talks throughout the retreat given by the retreat team on friendship, and community. They were all very relevant to our lives because they were given by students. They were easy to relate to."

For students, as well as the upperclassmen Campus Ministry Intern leaders, the retreat allowed fellow first-year students to personally connect and relate on multiple levels, Stopczynski said.

"I definitely see spiritual and communal aspects within these opportunities," she said. "When

first-years come to campus, they may be very focused on faith, but it is usually the first time they are responsible for keeping a faith life, I know that was the case for me. I think this retreat and other opportunities within Campus Ministry provide first years with an outlet to keep faith life strong and to build a community with other faith filled individuals."

Freshman Paige Spears said a personal motivation for her included finding fellow students with faith as deep as her own.

"I was trying to find people that had a faith like mine, a stronger faith, because when you walk around school, you really don't see the people who love God immediately," she said. "It was cool to see which ones had the same faith as me [and] find those girls in the crowd."

Companionship amongst the students enriched with her favorite exercise, which involved involving Belle-to-Belle honesty, Spears said.

"My favorite thing we did was [an activity] where you had a booklet, and it had open-ended

prompts like, 'What I think of you is...'" Spears said. "You answer to [your partner] what you think of them [...] and [the prompts] get deeper as you go. You just read these [questions] and you just have this really deep conversation with someone. It was awesome."

Through time together around campfire, singing and a taking spiritual walk, the girls were able to truly experience God's presence in their lives, Spears said.

"It was so beautiful and we were just emerged in nature thanking God for all he has given us ... It was super effective and meaningful," she said.

Self-reflection following two weeks of hectic schedules allows for room in students' lives for spiritual and collective exploration needed to positively impact their college experience, Stopczynski said.

"I think the first years really enjoy knowing that they are not the only ones going through a change in terms of faith life, student life, and social life," Stopczynski said. "They get to begin long lasting relationships

with other women that have similar views, hopes, fears, and goals."

Students always voice a very positive perception of the retreat upon returning, and they appreciate the opportunity to share a piece of themselves with others they come to call friends, Wilson said.

"The students understand and come to know Saint Mary's is a place that is committed to nurturing faith, to building a community that is empowered by the Spirit and that they are known and valued for who they are," Wilson said. "They come to build friendships, for many of them, that last throughout their four years."

Spears said these friendships would be rooted in God following the retreat.

"God's there, and we all believe in God. These girls are there for you, and if you ever need anything, you have a solid select group of 29 friends immediately."

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Retreats unite ethnic students

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Over 150 freshmen of various cultural backgrounds joined together this past weekend to evaluate the place of culture and religion in their lives at Notre Dame. From Friday afternoon to mid-Sunday, students of Asian, Latino, and African-American backgrounds joined faculty and staff to build a community of shared experiences.

Each ethnic retreat included icebreakers, visits to the Grotto, talks given by upperclassmen and staff, a game watch, and mass, but the most important factor was building a sense of community and welcome for the students involved.

John Paul Lichon, coordinator of campus retreats at Notre Dame, said the center's ethnic retreats aim to stress a balance between culture and religion, and encourage students to also attend the five remaining non-ethnic freshmen retreats throughout the year.

"The 'regular' First-Year retreat has a stronger emphasis on how faith, studies, and God work together," Lichon said. "We have a strong show every year, but we hope to integrate the students at ethnic retreats more in the future."

The ethnic retreats attracted a strong attendance this year. According to Judy Madden, head of the African-American Student Ministry, the 'Plunge' retreat boasted attendance of 50 first-year African-American students, which makes up 60 percent of the non-athlete freshmen at Notre



Photo courtesy of Kate Morgan

The 2013 ethnic retreat invited a strong attendance. One hundred and fifty freshmen from various cultures spent the weekend bonding together.

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"What I like about these ethnic retreats is that they give a community within the community, building a place that feels like home early on," Madden said. "Plunge gives African-American students a safe place to ask questions about teachers, clubs, social life, dating and religion at Notre Dame."

Priscilla Wong, director for Multi-Cultural Student Ministry at Notre Dame, said this ability of the ethnic retreats program to provide a touchstone to ethnic communities is praiseworthy.

The ethnic retreats do not end when the students are released back to their dorms, instead they establish a resource for the students involved, Wong said.

The Asian-American retreat's theme for this year was "Unwritten," focusing on the four years at the University which will

be "written" by the students.

Sophomore Gaby Mercurio, a student leader of the Asian-American retreat, said the leaders worked hard to make freshmen feel comfortable in the on-campus community.

"We just wanted the first years to know that they could always come to the upperclassmen and feel at home," Mercurio said.

"If they're ever feeling homesick, we have Asian food for them," she said.

Wong said the retreats program works to enable freshmen to place themselves in the larger ND community.

"We have this welcome group of people and programs to work with the first years," Wong said. "But what we really try to do is to provide an open arms."

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at the Grotto," Caponigro said.

Caponigro said the fasting portion of Saturday's events, beginning with a morning prayer at the steps of the Main Building at 10 a.m., was a highlight for participants.

"Fasting acts as a first step and leads us to solidarity, as it helps us to empathize with the 120,000 refugees in Jordan uprooted by the conflict and the millions of internally displaced persons in Syria without adequate nourishment," he said.

The Eucharistic adoration, in which participants recognized Christ's own suffering in a display of empathy, emphasized solidarity between the participants and those in Syria.

"The central message is building relationships and peace through encountering each other in this way," Caponigro said.

The fasting period followed morning prayer and lasted until 4:30 p.m., at which point participants from across the campus gathered at the Grotto to offer prayers for peace.

Senior Christopher Torres, secretary for the Militia of the Immaculata, said that prayer is about more than recitation.

"God gives us unique opportunities in which He offers us

graces, a moment when we can ally ourselves with the suffering people in the world, and I felt that I could help participate in that saving action through prayer," he said.

As part of the Pope's call to peace, Torres said prayer can be used to facilitate action for peace in Syria.

"Hopefully, the hearts of the government officials are inspired to move toward dialogue rather than violence," he said. "We must value the people and their lives. I hope for the consolidation of those who are struggling and facing death, and I pray that God consoles and protects them."

Caponigro said institutions on the Notre Dame campus are already participating in this call to peaceful diplomatic resolutions.

"The Kroc Institute is researching the possibilities for peace in Syria," he said. "The situation in Syria is still incredibly convoluted. That is why it is especially important to turn of prayer because the politics are so complicated — that way we can keep in mind the face of the Syrian people, and pray that any diplomatic move operates within that perspective."

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here because we can move beyond the rhetoric and think about how we view our vocations," O'Callaghan said.

She said it was important someone tell female students at Notre Dame that some of them will want to be stay-at-home mothers.

"There's a big emphasis on career success for Notre Dame graduates, but we do you a disservice if we don't also tell you some of you will feel a strong pull to stay at home with your children," she said.

O'Callaghan and her husband had their first child while they were both in graduate school and shared the childcare duties. She said she was drawn to the idea of staying at home.

"I felt being a mother really resonated with me on a deep level. It was simply my personal response to having this baby in front of me," she said.

O'Callaghan said she decided to finish her degree before becoming a stay-at-home mother after a friend advised her that people would more

readily listen to what she had to say down the road, if she completed her education.

She said this advice has paid off in her efforts as co-founder of InForming Life, a non-profit organization that offers support to parents whose child receives a pre-natal diagnosis of Down's Syndrome.

O'Callaghan also said there is a misconception that she and other well-educated stay-at-home moms are wasting their education.

"Universities aren't glorified vocational schools, and education is about more than career preparation," she said. "Most of the stay-at-home mothers I know have found creative ways to use their education."

Pratt-Rosato, a Notre Dame Political Science professor, said that she initially found the question "Can Notre Dame women have it all?" somewhat offensive. She said she needed to know what "all" means because it is impossible to truly have everything one wants.

"Can we have it all? Obviously no. We're not Hermione Granger. Dumbledore didn't give us a time turner so we can be a Fortune 500 CEO and then

go home and breastfeed," she said.

She said, rather than trying to "have it all," women should seek the balance in their lives that is right for them.

"Life is about balance, and balance isn't going to be the

"We just don't sell ourselves. Believe in yourself, know what you can do and then tell people you can do it."

Muffet McGraw
women's basketball coach

same for all of us," she said.

Pratt-Rosato said what bothers her most is the sense of guilt among both mothers who remain in the work force and mothers who stay at home.

"That is the part that angers

me, that we have to feel guilty about making a choice," she said. "Recognize that life is going to present you with choices and see them as opportunities. Don't be afraid to make mistakes and know there's no wrong choice."

She said women's reactions to this question are bound to change over a lifetime.

"What you want now in your 20's is going to change in your 30's, in your 40's, in your 50's and in your 60's," Pratt-Rosato said.

Pratt-Rosato also echoed O'Callaghan's opposition to the idea of stay-at-home mothers wasting an education. She said it is worth getting an education for its own sake.

"Education can be an end in itself, it doesn't have to be a means to something else," she said.

Pratt-Rosato said young women should not lose sight of the fact having the opportunity to be a stay-at-home mom is a "luxury" and many American women don't have that option.

Muffet McGraw, Irish women's basketball head coach, said in addition to choosing between the home and the

workplace at the individual level, there should be an effort to change how we view the question on a societal level.

"When you make your choice you have to make sure it's a choice you're making and not one you're backing into," she said. "The more confident you are when you make your choice the better you feel about it."

McGraw said in her case stereotypes about men and women have never fit her.

"Women are supposed to be warm, sensitive and caring, but I've never been like that. Men are supposed to be ambitious, driven and confident and I've always been all those things," she said.

She said women need to challenge these stereotypes and need to make a greater effort to project confidence.

"We just don't sell ourselves. Believe in yourself, know what you can do and then tell people you can do it," McGraw said.

The Professors for Lunch panel series is sponsored by the Department of Political Science and the Tocqueville Program.

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3-year-old fatally shoots herself

Associated Press

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. — Yellowstone National Park officials are investigating after an Idaho woman reported her 3-year-old daughter shot herself with a handgun in a campground.

Park rangers responded Saturday morning to Grant Village Campground, but resuscitation efforts failed, resulting in what officials said was the first shooting death in the park since 1978.

Park spokesman Al Nash said Sunday that part of the campground remained cordoned off while park rangers and special park agents conduct the investigation. He said he didn't know where the girl's body was taken.

"We don't have all of the information, and we haven't drawn any conclusions," Nash said.

He said he didn't know how many family members were camping or where they are from in Idaho. Names haven't been released.

A federal law went into effect Feb. 22, 2010, allowing visitors to possess firearms in the park. Nash said records show two shooting deaths occurred in the park in 1978, but he didn't

have details.

"Given the 3 million visitors we see here every year, there thankfully are very few fatalities reported in the park," Nash said. He said heart attacks were the primary cause of human deaths in the park.

The park recently reported that through August, about 2.5 million people have visited the park.

Portions of the park are within the borders of Wyoming, Idaho and Montana, with the girl's death occurring in Wyoming. Nash said park authorities have exclusive federal jurisdiction because the park predates the formation of those states, but works with surrounding law enforcement agencies. That means park rangers and special park agents are leading the investigation, he said.

The park has a federal district court, a federal magistrate, and an assistant U.S. attorney based in Mammoth Hot Springs, Nash said.

Visitation to the park starts winding down this time of year, but is also favored by some for that reason, as well as the opportunity to see bugling bull elk as well as other wildlife that can be more visible in cooler weather.

World Trade Center naming rights sold for 10 dollars in 1986

Associated Press

WOODLAND PARK, N.J. — The public agency that owned the World Trade Center sold its naming rights to a nonprofit more than two decades ago for \$10 and now pays thousands of dollars a year to use the name, according to a published report.

The Record newspaper of New Jersey reports that a contract shows the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey sold the rights to the World Trade Centers Association in 1986. The newspaper obtained the contract through a Freedom of Information Act request.

The newspaper reported Sunday that the Port Authority pays \$10,000 a year to use the words "World Trade Center," including on merchandise it plans to sell in the new World Trade Center currently under construction. Those sales could bring the Port Authority an estimated \$23 million to \$28 million annually.

In exchange for the Port Authority's use of the trademark, the WTCA is requesting free office space at the new World Trade Center site worth an estimated \$585,000 per year, according to documents obtained by the newspaper.

Current Port Authority deputy executive director Bill Baroni said he was

troubled by the revelations.

"I am gravely concerned that a secret deal, years ago, sold the name of the World Trade Center for 10 bucks," Baroni told the newspaper. "And I'm going to look into the initial contract and look into where we are today with regard to this organization."

Baroni did not immediately return a request for comment from The Associated Press.

The WTCA was headed by Guy Tozzoli, a former Port Authority executive who, among other accomplishments, oversaw the construction of the original Twin Towers. According to tax records reviewed by The Record, he earned combined compensation of \$1.7 million from 2009 to 2011, in addition to his \$113,000 annual public pension. Tozzoli died this year.

The WTCA was formed to foster international trade and offer support and contacts for its members in their local regions. It has trademarks in more than 100 countries and charges an initial \$200,000 fee for the use of the name on a building plus the \$10,000 annual membership fee, according to The Record. It has more than 300 members and in 2011 reported revenues of \$6.9 million.

The 1986 contract — signed months before

Tozzoli retired from the Port Authority — gave the WTCA rights to five World Trade Center trademarks, previously registered with New York state by the Port Authority, for \$10. It was not immediately clear if the agreement violated any laws or ethics rules.

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Port Authority deputy executive director

Stephen Berger, the Port Authority's executive director at the time, could not be reached for comment by the newspaper. A message left by the AP at Odyssey Investment Partners, the money management company Berger chairs, was not immediately returned Sunday.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Who is Fr. Sorin?

Allison D'Ambrosia

Photographer

Who is @FatherSorin? If you are one of the 5,783 people that follow him on Twitter, you've most likely asked yourself this question multiple times. He's kind of a big deal.

Once I heard from a priest that, "It's like he's at Corby with us. He sometimes tweets inside jokes from dinner." It seems that he must be somewhere on campus. But is it one person or a group of people? Is it Father Jenkins? These are all perfectly logical questions when approaching an online profile of a "person."

According to the Notre Dame website, Fr. Edward Sorin stated, "I came here as a young man and dreamed of building a great university in honor of Our Lady. But I built it too small, and she had to burn it to the ground to make the point. So, tomorrow, as soon as the bricks cool, we will rebuild it, bigger and better than ever." And that he did. Now he is reaching an ever-growing number of students and adults through his tweets.

Not only is Fr. Sorin connected to campus life, he's also attune to the global Catholic community. It's documented that Fr. Sorin was the first to predict our current Jesuit pope. If his connection with the papacy is expected, his intel on the university and its daily functionings are unexpected and a tad frightening. While I was staying on campus this summer as an Introduction to Engineering Program counselor, we had a tornado warning. Fr. Sorin tweeted this: "Glad Sacred Heart has a basement chapel — I can shelter from storms and get my daily Mass in."

When asked to speak on the identity of @FatherSorin, Dennis Brown, University spokesman and assistant vice president of public information and communications, stated, "We don't spend much time trying to figure out who he is, but a few months ago our social media manager was pretty sure she had figured it out. Then we had a reception for people who manage social media accounts on campus and the person she thought was 'Father Sorin' was in attendance because he manages another account. During the event, there were a couple of tweets from 'Father Sorin' and the guy she suspected was never on his phone. So, that theory was shot down."

When I asked @FatherSorin if he would like to make a statement about his identity, he responded, "I'm not that interesting. Write about Ted instead. Or George Rozum ... he's quite a CSCharacter." I have made very little headway on discovering who Fr. Sorin actually is, but I am almost certain he resides somewhere on campus. His anonymity may add to his appeal and his cleverness, but he is a campus icon and revered by all. Brown said, "It may be nice to know his identity, but it's OK that he's managed to remain unknown. It's more fun that way."

Well done, Fr. Sorin. You singlehandedly hold one of the mysteries of the University of Notre Dame.

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Listening, hearing and responding

Lisa Taylor

Viewpoint Columnist

This past Friday afternoon, I attended the panel discussion, "Can Notre Dame Women Have It All?" in South Dining Hall. As an out-of-the-closet feminist and a senior looking for a career next year, I entered with high expectations, hoping that the interesting combination of panelists — head women's basketball coach Muffet McGraw, political science professor Susan Rosato and dedicated mother Dr. Mary O'Callaghan — would spark an interesting conversation or debate about the role of women in today's society and at Notre Dame. I left the event with a very satisfied stomach (a free dining hall meal is worth its weight in gold compared to cooking for yourself off-campus), but a vague sense of persistent dissatisfaction.

As my afternoon wore on, I couldn't shake the ambiguous discontent I felt. Why was I so unsatisfied? What had the panel discussion lacked? The panelists presented three very different yet intriguing perspectives with a focus on balancing work and having a family. Dr. O'Callaghan defended the traditional role of women as stay-at-home mothers and nurturers. Coach McGraw called upon the young women of Notre Dame to set aside our perpetual judgment of one another and begin building each other up. And Professor Rosato, with her classic dose of humor, immediately deconstructed the original question of the panel (of course it's impossible to have it "all") and then focused on the more practical aspect of how to achieve a work/family balance. Her conclusion was that no, you can't work a full-time job and bake organic, healthy prune-filled snacks for your

kids. And that's perfectly fine.

So what was wrong? I finally put my finger on it, but permit me a brief digression about what was, to me, the most intriguing moment of the panel discussion. The conversation was meandering and somewhat without focus when suddenly a woman stood up. With passion and palpable frustration in her voice, she demanded to know why the conversation was so heteronormative. What about women like her who weren't married, didn't have kids and were completely fine? Couldn't she have it "all" despite not having a spouse or a family? The room fell briefly silent in a moment of awkwardness as we all looked at this woman ardently challenging the classic desire for happiness through a nuclear family. But then the conversation resumed as if she hadn't even said anything. That momentary silence swallowed her perspective, marginalized her viewpoint and left her challenge uncontested.

This — the resumption of conversation and refusal to hear the woman's voice — is what had disquieted me all day. The entire conversation had proceeded with two false assumptions: That every woman wants a spouse and children, and that women have some kind of special, mystical feminine nature that makes their desires and decisions fundamentally different than those of men. Further shockingly (or perhaps not so shockingly for Notre Dame), the word 'feminism' was only mentioned once offhand throughout the entire conversation. How can a discussion about some of women's deepest desires — their pursuit of passions and whether or not these involve choosing a career and/or a family — not talk about the historic inequality and patriarchy that preclude these from being fully realized? How could

we sit there and quietly tell each other that as women, we need to become more like men, we need to become more like men to succeed in the workplace (demand raises, stop engaging in catty, passive-aggressive judgment of other women and truly collaborate) and insinuate that a choice diverging from the traditional family structure is invalid?

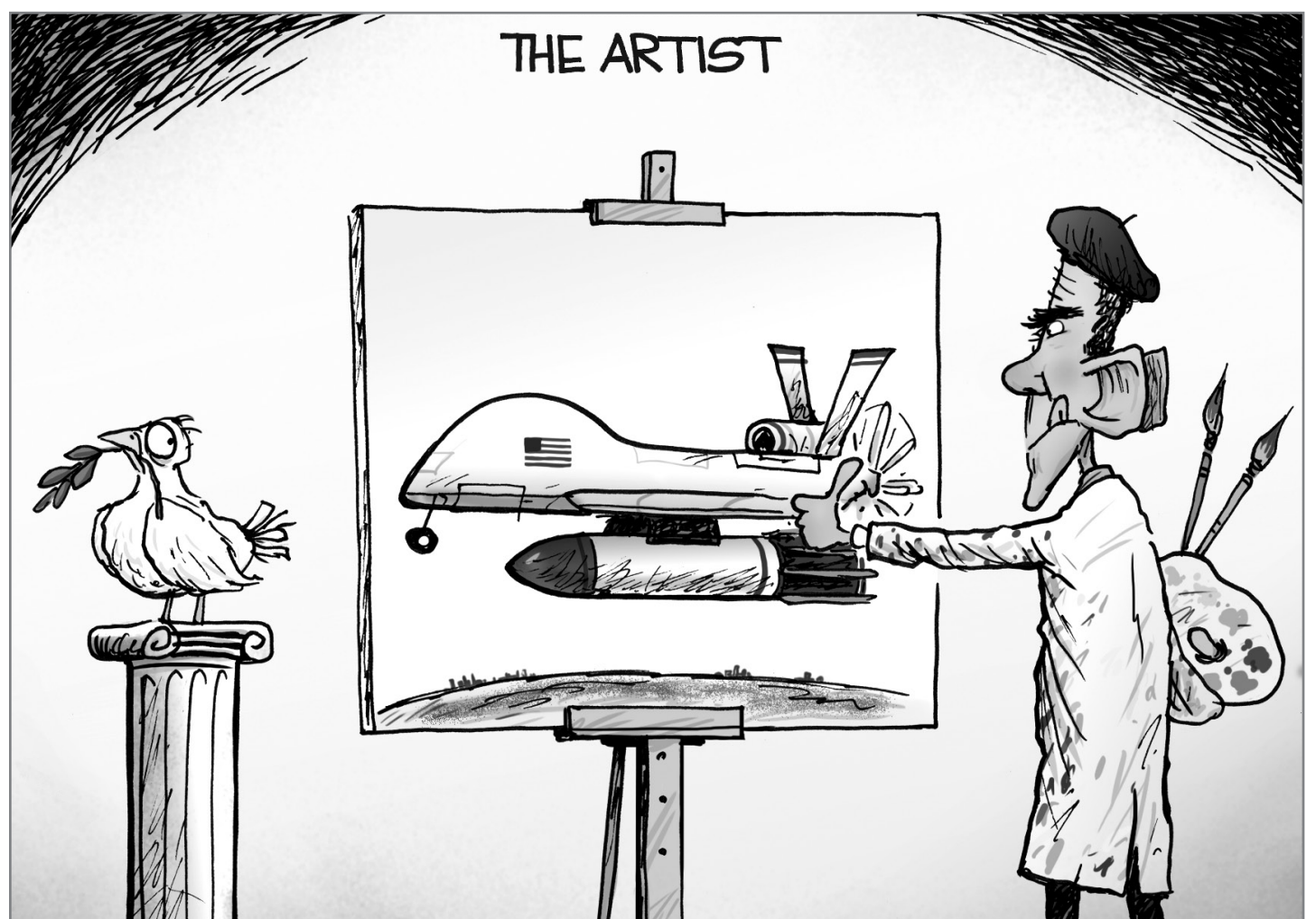
For me, the word feminism entails a commitment: A commitment to reflect upon the current state of unequal power relations in all spheres of life and to work for the realization of the human dignity and rights of each and every person. Feminism is not about burning bras and hating men. Quite differently, it is about respect and equality in all domains. It is about listening to each and every perspective, acknowledging and valuing diversity and creating a more just, equitable world. It is about defying restrictive binaries and treasuring each and every person regardless of gender, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, class, physical capabilities etc.

You don't have to have kids to be validated. You don't have to get married or even be capable of maintaining a remotely stable relationship. You don't have to have a professional job and make a ton of money, get good grades, wear make-up and stylish clothing, eat healthy, work out or attend intellectual talks. Regardless of all of these things, you're human, you're free and you have dignity. And that's enough to merit being listened to and responded to.

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Detroit is only the beginning

Conor Durkin
Thinking Differently

Even if you don't really follow much financial or public policy news, there's a good chance that you heard about one of the biggest public finance events of the summer: Detroit's bankruptcy.

Following Detroit's declaration of financial emergency last March, the city filed for chapter nine bankruptcy on July 18. This became the largest municipal bankruptcy filing in U.S. history, with somewhere around \$18 billion in existing debts and liabilities.

As groundbreaking as the Detroit bankruptcy was, it should not have come as a great surprise. Indeed, the writing has been on the wall for quite some time. The city has seen a tremendous population decline since the mid-20th century; at 700,000 current residents, its population is less than half of its 1950 peak of 1.8 million people. As its residents fled and its economy worsened, the city's tax base collapsed, and without any sort of revenue, the city was unable to provide quality public services, creating a negative feedback loop that only worsened the city's situation.

While other cities and states across the country may not be experiencing the same level of urban decay that Detroit has undergone, there is one area of public finance where they share

much in common, and it's one that should leave us very troubled about the future of our local governments: pension liabilities.

For quite some time, we've heard about the perilous position our federal government is in with respect to the national debt and how federal expenditures on Medicare and Social Security are likely to cause our future debts to skyrocket in the coming decades. What we haven't heard, however, is about the future debts that states and cities have been taking on.

One of the best kept secrets in public finance is how bad state and local pension underfunding really is. Over the years, politicians have often responded to demands from public sector unions for higher pay by agreeing to increase their pension payments. It's a clever way for them to boost pay while kicking the can down the road, since these pensions won't be paid out until many years later. In the meantime, all they need to do is allocate a much smaller amount of money into their pension plan investment funds and use the magic of compounded interest to make that money grow into the amounts they need.

There's just one catch: They haven't put away nearly enough money.

Instead, they've either neglected to allocate funds or used accounting tricks such as assuming high rates of return and smoothing out losses to

make the funds seem in better shape than they otherwise are.

According to the Pew Center on the States, as of 2012, state pension plans across the country were short around \$757 billion compared to what they need to be holding in order to pay out future retirees, and are short another \$627 billion in the funds for retiree healthcare benefits that they've promised. Moreover, as large as these numbers are, many scholars make the case that even these numbers understate the scope of the problem by assuming that the funds will earn a higher rate of return than one should actually predict. According to economists Robert Novy-Marx and Joshua Rauh, across the country, states are actually short a whopping \$2.5 trillion dollars, and the American Enterprise Institute's Andrew Biggs estimates the problem to be \$4.6 trillion dollars, with the average pension plan a mere 41 percent funded.

Some states are worse than others. Illinois, for instance, has a pension shortfall of over \$150 billion in pension and other retiree-related debts (for comparison's sake, the state brought in just over \$30 billion in tax revenue in 2012), leaving the state's five retiree funds 57 percent unfunded. Moreover, research from the Illinois Policy Institute suggests that using a more reasonable rate of return, the problem becomes much larger, with over \$200 billion in pension-related debts.

These sorts of problems exist at the local level as well. According to Kevin Orr, Detroit's emergency manager, the city's pension funds are underfunded by \$3.5 billion, making up almost one-fifth of their total existing debt, and in Chicago the unfunded pension liability was reported as \$19 billion at the end of 2012.

It might sound far-fetched to imagine a state like Illinois going bankrupt, but a hole that size won't go away on its own. If politicians continue to refuse to take action on pension reform, bankruptcy could be a real possibility.

We need to understand what's at stake if that happens. In Detroit, retired workers like teachers and policemen are being forced to fight in court for the benefits that they have counted on to get them through retirement. They deserve better. The pension underfunding problem is one that can be solved, as some places like the cities of San Diego or San Jose, or the state of Rhode Island have shown, and it is one that must be solved. Otherwise, governments in cities and states across the nation could soon be facing a future similar to that in Detroit.

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Should we protect endangered species?

Christopher Glueck
Should Science

I can hear our ancestors turning over in their graves. No, I am not talking about our human ancestors. Or even our near-human ancestors. Evolutionary theory has reframed our understanding of deep family history, connecting all the lines of life. Yet our inter-species ethics remain inchoate. The ethical debate of centuries past has centered on questions of the correct relations among humans and only recently has the discussion expanded to include nonhumans.

The Endangered Species Act (ESA) offers a perfect example of the questionable foundation of environmental ethics and pursuant policy. The bill was promulgated in the early 1970s as a means to protect the natural symbols of America, such as the bald eagle and the grizzly bear, and passed nearly unanimously. Not long after, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) halted construction of a dam in Tennessee to preserve a little-known and less cared for species of fish, making politicians realize the ubiquitous value that the Act had assigned to any vulnerable species.

Much of the American public remains confused. For instance, the Californian town of Colton found itself beset by red tape from protective land acquisitions aimed at preserving the ESA-listed Delhi Sand flower-loving fly. Accordingly, the citizenry protested

that people were more important than flies. Economic development — much needed in the poor, 78 percent minority and polluted town — would offer opportunity to Colton's human residents. And for the flies? Let them be damned.

FWS later lamented that it had failed to show the core ethical question at stake: The value of endangered species. In the following paragraphs, I present four reasons — scientific interest, ecological health, a sense of justice and the works of mercy — that might move people to care about protecting threatened nonhuman animals.

Scientists and naturalists marvel at the phenomena of the world. The awe that leaves a researcher agape at the complex reproductive strategy of ducks or the intrinsic beauty of a fly might compel that scientist to advocate for species listing, as was the case in Colton. Intellectual worth, however, is difficult to argue on the political stage with such strong competing interests. This difficulty results because intellectual fascination can sound a lot like aesthetic interest. And while we can argue for preserving beauty, deciding what is beautiful is much more difficult.

Alternatively, scientists such as Aldo Leopold have argued that the preservation of species increases the integrity or stability of an ecosystem: The fly and its neighbors were surviving just fine until developers arrived. Ever since, the whole system has been thrown into a detrimental flux. Both integrity and stability, however, are premised upon a

static picture of the natural world, portraying a good ecosystem as one that does not change. The more ecologically accurate understanding of the world is much more dynamic. Climate, for instance, is a constant source of variation to which living systems must constantly adapt. To propose a baseline, in many cases, can border on antiquarianism which again faces the problem of any aesthetic argument.

Next, we have the argument based on justice for compensation in cases of harm. If one's activities harm neighbors, then out of a sense of fairness, the perpetrator ought to mend the injury. Some claim that this debt holds true regardless of the neighbor's species, so that a developer's expatriation of threatened species warrants some protection as recompense. Two problems follow. First, rights are typically held by individuals rather than groups. We might liken an extinct species to a truncated family line, but it is questionable that such collective entities have the same rights to perpetuity as do individuals. In addition, compensation is premised upon a right not to be harmed or a right to life, and bearing rights presupposes inviolable worth. Problematically, this extension of moral worth to the entire natural world leads to paradoxes. Life necessitates death, so is it unethical to kill for food? Do disease-causing organisms have a right to life? If ought implies can, then universal rights for the living seem out of the question, at least rights at the same level of inviolability as human rights.

In order to minimize suffering, one might advocate for a merciful approach to inter-species relations. Sentient beings — even flies — are capable of pain and, presuming one should avoid causing pain, humans should thus avoid harming all sentient beings. This presumption against causing pain is one of the most basic ethical principles that nearly all ethicists accept. Moreover, the compassion extended to other species might even bolster one's own capacity for mercy within our species. Uninhibited compassion, however, is likely to break down for reasons aforementioned and the problem of collective entities versus individuals likewise arises.

Personally, I find the third and fourth arguments at least worth pursuing despite their foibles. Alas, many would disagree. Especially those who, like the residents of Colton, are forced to balance human and nonhuman interests. They are likely to continue defending the "home team" unless a clear connection between ecological and human health is made or some other economic factor changes. While this may be somewhat reasonable, I find a complete lack of concern for other species deplorable, especially given our great capacity to do otherwise.

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HEW'S FALL MUSIC PREVIEW

Matt Niendorf

Scene Writer

Your weekend may have been difficult. A regular-season loss. For freshman, the feeling may be one of unfair betrayal, for seniors, chilling familiarity. You may have broken and torched a table after Michigan's final touchdown, or you may have cursed the color maize as you solemnly drove home from the Big House. Today the halls of DeBart will be a little quieter, the North Dining Hall staff a little less friendly, and your work ethic utterly stifled. The fall will seem to have lost all its promise. Yet there is hope, my friends, for a new music season is upon us. Outlined against sky-grey Observer page, the Fall Music Preview is back again.



B.O.A.T.S. II: ME TIME
Two Chainz (Sept. 10)

Because Mr. Chainz didn't make enough music this past year and a half.

Prediction: Moderately amusing, vaguely annoying.



STATIC
Cults (Oct. 15)

If you haven't yet listened to Cults, do it. They're fun, they're cute, they're great. Following their first eponymous, "Static" looks to continue the band's rise through Indie Pop.

Prediction: YouTube "Go Outside" and you'll be just as excited as me for what promises to be another solid album from this QT core group.



MGMT
MGMT (Sept. 17)

Coming off their slightly disappointing 2010 "Congratulations," "MGMT" is the band's third album. The two singles that have been released from the album have been ... weird, but in the best way possible.

Prediction: Don't expect to be playing any of these songs at that dorm party you're planning to host. They'll be good songs, but trust me on this one. Instead, listen to "Time to Pretend" as you prepare to be rejected by that Farley girl standing in the corner.



REFLEKTOR
Arcade Fire (Oct. 29)

Arcade Fire's previous three albums have been about as close to perfect as music can come, dealing with themes of war, religion, and culture war. The fourth album has been shrouded in mystery so far, and I wouldn't have it any other way.

Prediction: At this point it seems Arcade Fire can do no wrong (except writing a song for Twilight, am I right?), so I'm going to go ahead and say this album will be one of the best of the year.



THE BONES OF WHAT YOU BELIEVE
Chvrches (Sept. 23)

This is the highly anticipated first album of the Scottish Indie synth band Chvrches. According to my sources, this album has been leaked online. I definitely haven't listened to it. I definitely don't think it's phenomenal. I definitely don't

HIGHLY recommend torrenting it off-campus somewhere.

Prediction: Piracy is not a victimless crime/you wouldn't download a car.



ARTPOP
Lady Gaga (Nov. 11)

Lady Gaga's third album is looking like it is going to be an odd one, not that that is too surprising. Though the promises from Gaga of a "reverse Warholian experience" on the album should push our definition of "odd."

Prediction: I didn't feel like writing a preview for Katy Perry's new album, because I think "Artpop" will be better musically. That being said, "Roar" will probably be the best single between the two albums. I admit — I like it.



NOTHING WAS THE SAME
Drake (Sept. 24)

2011's Take Care brought me over to respecting Drake, and his feature on Kendrick Lamar's "Poetic Justice" (before Lamar called him out on "Control") made me borderline like him. "Nothing Was the Same," Drake's third album, will be pivotal if he really values my opinion.

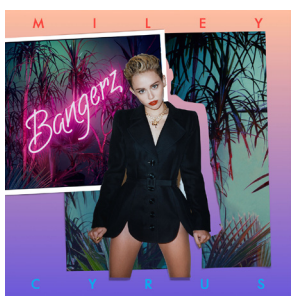
Prediction: The list of potential features alone seems to make this album pretty strong, if not interesting.



THE 20/20 EXPERIENCE- 2 of 2
Justin Timberlake (Sept. 27)

The second installment of JT's fourth album, "2 of 2" looks to match the critical acclaim of "1 of 1," which featured the fantastic/guilty-pleasure-of-mine single "Mirrors."

Prediction: You'll be hearing some new Justin at The Backer by October.



BANGERZ
Miley Cyrus (Oct. 4)

After her surreal (seriously, I think America collectively questioned the validity of its own reality) performance at the VMAs, Miley's fourth album is sure to draw attention.

Prediction: I'll use Miley's own words (from a tweet) on this one: "Nothin but #BANGERZ." Yikes.

FALL PREVIEW PLAYLIST: to familiarize/reacquaint yourself with the upcoming musical season.

- Two Chainz – "No Lie ft. Drake" (2012)
- MGMT – "Pieces of What" (2007)
- Chvrches – "Now is Not the Time" (2013)
- Drake – "The Ride ft. The Weeknd" (2011)
- Justin Timberlake – "Take Back the Night" (2013)
- Miley Cyrus – "Kicking and Screaming" (2009)
- Cults – "Go Outside" (2011)
- Arcade Fire – "Headlights Look Like Diamonds" (2003)
- Lady Gaga – "Monster" (2009)

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Lights out

In a night game at the Big House for one last time, Irish fall to Gardner, Wolverines

As undefeated stretch concludes, reality sets in



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ANN ARBOR, Mich. — “Close, but not good enough.”

Brian Kelly summed up Saturday’s losing performance quite succinctly. In their 41-30 loss in Michigan Stadium, the Irish came up somewhere between mediocre and good. One could continue to wade through descriptors to try to quantify what Notre Dame’s performance amounted to, but the blemish on the team’s record does so more effectively than any parsing of words could.

In the penultimate scheduled meeting between the two rivals, Notre Dame simply did not make the plays Michigan forced it to make to win the game. The defense not only bent, it broke. The offense not only sputtered, it failed to execute when it mattered most.

For the predecessor to what was last year deemed the “team of destiny,” Notre Dame showed few signs of the gleam and confidence that came hand-in-hand with winning last season. It is no coincidence the Irish suffered their first regular-season loss since they fell to Stanford in 2011; this is no team of destiny.

Last year’s team struggled to move the ball at times. It was atrocious in the red zone. The pass defense was not considered elite. But for all its flaws, Notre Dame always made the plays that had to be made. Unlike against Michigan, last year the Irish were always “good enough,” often barely exceeding that threshold. Part of that was luck, of course (see: triple-overtime win over Pittsburgh, controversial goal-line stand against Stanford). But it is undeniable that the Irish made winning plays throughout the 2012 season. The Irish refused to lose, striving with their backs against the wall and the games on the line. Nothing came easily, but everyone came to expect it would come eventually.

In Saturday’s defeat, for the first time since the Irish fell to Stanford in 2011, the victory never came. This may be the next annual installment in program history, but

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Irish sophomore receiver C.J. Prosise gets wrapped up by a pair of Wolverine defenders during Michigan’s 41-30 victory over Notre Dame on Saturday at Michigan Stadium.

By MIKE MONACO
Sports Editor

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — It was only fitting.

With Notre Dame and Michigan playing for the final time for the foreseeable future at Michigan Stadium, the game came down to the wire in thrilling fashion before a record crowd of 115,109 on Saturday night. The No. 17 Wolverines defeated the No. 14 Irish, 41-30.

“It’s always nice to win,” Michigan head coach Brady Hoke said. “This is such a great rivalry and to be able to be on the right side of it, it always feels good.”

“We were really, really close but not good enough, not good enough,” Irish head coach Brian Kelly added.

In the 41st rendition of the historic rivalry, it was the Michigan players donning historic numbers who came up with the historic offensive performances.

Redshirt junior quarterback Devin Gardner — who switched to No. 98 before the game in honor of Michigan’s first Heisman Trophy winner, Tom Harmon — threw for 294 yards and four touchdowns and added 82 yards and a score on the ground. Senior receiver Jeremy Gallon, who is wearing No. 21 this season to honor former Michigan Heisman winner Desmond Howard, set career highs with 184 receiving yards and three touchdowns.

“We knew that Gardner is a very difficult quarterback to defend, and we knew offensively that we were in a

position that we needed to score more points,” Kelly said. “I didn’t think this would be like last year; I thought it was going to be something of a higher-scoring football game.”

The first 40 matchups in the series had been decided by an average of 4.1 points. So with Michigan (2-0) leading 34-20 at the beginning of the fourth quarter, it was only appropriate the Irish (1-1) worked it back to a four-point game. But the Wolverines drove down the field and scored with 4:18 remaining when Gardner fired a touchdown pass to senior receiver Drew Dileo to make it 41-30 Michigan.

Prior to Dileo’s touchdown, it looked as if Notre Dame might hold the Wolverines to a field goal. But two defensive pass-interference penalties against the Irish gave Michigan first-and-goal from the two-yard line, from where Gardner found Dileo.

“We’ve got to be smarter and more disciplined,” Kelly said. “We don’t coach penalties, but we want to coach guys to be smarter and more disciplined on a day-to-day basis, and that falls on me. I don’t want my football team to be in a situation where games have to be decided [on a penalty].”

Gardner outshines Rees as ND misses opportunities

By MIKE MONACO
Sports Editor

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Tommy Rees and Devin Gardner both played second fiddle last season. Both, however, stepped in at crucial times to rescue their respective squads. Now, both are first-time sure-fire starters in 2013.

But on Saturday night, under the lights and under the scrutiny of an NCAA record crowd of 115,509, Gardner accounted for 376 yards of total offense, five touchdowns and one (albeit costly) turnover. Rees, meanwhile, tossed for 314 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions.

“Give Michigan credit, obviously Devin Gardner played outstanding,” Irish coach Brian Kelly said. “They were the better football team today, but again from my perspective we needed to make a couple more plays offensively.”

The Irish had the opportunities to make those plays. Trailing by 11 late in the fourth quarter, Rees fired to the end zone. His pass was tipped up and intercepted by Michigan junior cornerback Blake Countess, effectively icing the game.

Countess also picked off Rees in the first half. With less than two minutes to play before the intermission, Rees rolled to his left and threw on the move directly into the hands of Countess, who returned it deep inside Irish territory to set up another Michigan score before the half.

“I’d like to have the one throw before the half back, but [Rees] did some really good things,” Kelly said. “I think we feel that there were just one or two throws that could have [resulted in us] putting 44 points on the board.”

While Rees failed to redeem his first-half interception, Gardner responded from his lowest point in the game. After the junior signal-caller’s desperation throwaway pass from his own end zone was caught by Irish junior defensive end Stephon Tuitt for a touchdown, Gardner led the Wolverines on a 10-play, 75-yard touchdown drive to put them up 11.

“[Michigan] coach [Brady Hoke] just talked to us about the top-three college interceptions, and one of them is desperately avoiding

PLAYER OF THE GAME

DEVIN GARDNER
MICHIGAN QUARTERBACK

Gardner terrorized the Irish through the air and on the ground, racking up 376 yards of total offense and five touchdowns. The redshirt junior ran the spread offense to perfection and constantly found senior receiver Jeremy Gallon open to move the chains and find the end zone.

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REPORT CARD

B QUARTERBACKS

Senior Tommy Rees kept the Irish in the shootout, and notched his second consecutive 300-yard game. Rees continued to make throws that he was thought to be incapable of in his first three seasons, but his pair of interceptions to cap each half were backbreakers.

B- RUNNING BACKS

Juniors Amir Carlisle and George Atkinson combined for over 101 yards on 17 carries, but Atkinson had several drops. Playing from behind, the Irish relegated the running game to the periphery in the second half.

A- RECEIVERS

Senior TJ Jones came up with another big performance, gathering nine catches for 94 yards and a touchdown. Junior tight end Troy Niklas also found the end zone, catching six balls for 76 yards and becoming a focal point of the Irish offense in the second half.

B+ OFFENSIVE LINE

Tommy Rees had enough time to get the ball off throughout the night, although Michigan did score a sack with the Irish driving late in the game. The line also opened up holes for Carlisle to run straight down the throat of the defense.

B DEFENSIVE LINE

The Irish consistently pressured Michigan senior quarterback Devin Gardner, but only brought him down once. With Gardner leading the way, Michigan accumulated 166 yards rushing. Stephon Tuitt delivered a highlight play in the fourth quarter with his diving interception.

C+ LINEBACKERS

Senior Dan Fox led the way with 10 tackles, but no other Irish linebacker had more than five. Senior Prince Shembo registered only two tackles after his stellar season opener, but freshman Jaylon Smith impressed with five tackles.

C- DEFENSIVE BACKS

The secondary gave up 294 yards through the air in a performance filled with missed tackles and pass interference penalties.

A- SPECIAL TEAMS

Junior kicker Kyle Brindza converted all three of his field-goal attempts in a steady performance, Jones scampered to an 18-yard punt return and junior George Atkinson broke out for a 50-yard kickoff return, although kickoff coverage underwhelmed.

C+ COACHING

The Irish did not make the big plays when opportunities presented themselves, and part of that falls on coaching. After a week-long war of words regarding the "rivalry's" legitimacy, Brian Kelly and his staff came out on the wrong end Saturday.

OVERALL GPA: 2.86

The Irish dropped their fourth consecutive game in Michigan Stadium due to missed execution in the red zone, costly turnovers and defensive gaffes. After rattling off 13-straight regular-season victories, Notre Dame crashed back down to earth against the Wolverines. There is room for improvement virtually across the board.

PLAY OF THE GAME

JEREMY GALLON STAYS UPRIGHT FOR 61-YARD TOUCHDOWN CATCH

Michigan senior receiver Jeremy Gallon reined in a first-quarter pass from Gardner, broke away from a trio of would-be tacklers and sprinted to the endzone. It was the beginning of what turned out to be a big night for Gallon, Gardner and the entire Michigan offense.



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Wolverines redshirt junior quarterback Devin Gardner scrambles backward during Michigan's 41-30 victory over Notre Dame on Saturday night at Michigan Stadium. Gardner accounted for five touchdowns.

Defeat

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The Irish had regained the momentum after a pivotal play at the beginning of the fourth quarter. Facing third-and-11 from the Michigan 16-yard line, Gardner scrambled backward trying to avoid a sack. He backtracked deep into his own end zone and, as he was being brought down for what would have been a safety, Gardner threw the ball away into the waiting arms of Irish junior defensive end Stephon Tuitt in the end zone for a miraculous Notre Dame touchdown to make it 34-27 Michigan.

The Irish then added a field goal to cut it to 34-30. But the Wolverines countered and embarked on the 10-play, 75-yard drive, capped off by Dileo's touchdown. On the ensuing possession, Notre Dame rolled down the field, but Irish senior quarterback Tommy Rees was picked off in the end zone to seal the Michigan victory. Rees also threw an interception in the waning minutes of the first half that set up a Gardner-to-Gallon touchdown to spur Michigan to a 27-13 halftime lead.

"There were a number of [missed opportunities]," Rees said. "I have to take accountability for some of those missed opportunities, and there are plays you want to have back, but I have to be better and give our team a better chance to win a game. I take full accountability for that."

Kelly said while Notre Dame's defense allowed 41 points, he felt the game was lost on the offensive side of the ball.

"This was one of those games that our offense needed to carry the day for us," he said. "And we just came up short on a couple of key plays for us. It was one of those games you've got to win,

and we weren't able to come up with the key plays offensively."

Michigan stormed out to a 10-0 lead on a field goal from senior kicker Brendan Gibbons and a 61-yard catch and run by Gallon. The Irish, however, battled back with 10 straight points of their own. Rees fired a pass toward the end zone that tipped off the hands of junior running back George Atkinson and skipped into the mitts of senior receiver TJ Jones for the touchdown with just over two minutes remaining in the first quarter. Junior kicker Kyle Brindza, who was a perfect three-for-three on field goal bids, stepped up and buried a 44-yard field goal on Notre Dame's next possession.

But Michigan thundered right back with a 12-play, 75-yard scoring drive, highlighted by a two-yard option keeper by Gardner for the touchdown. The Wolverines got down to the two after Gardner threw to the end zone on third down and Irish sophomore Elijah Shumate was flagged for defensive pass interference.

Brindza and Gibbons then exchanged field goals, and Michigan maintained a 20-13 lead with 1:56 left in the half.

The Irish began with great field position after a late-hit penalty against Michigan on the kickoff. On the second play from scrimmage, Rees rolled to his left and threw an interception — the first Notre Dame turnover of the season — to Michigan junior cornerback Blake Countess, who returned it to the Irish 23-yard line to set up the Gallon score, which gave Michigan the 14-point halftime advantage.

On its first drive of the second half, Notre Dame's offense drove 90 yards in 12 plays, the final one a 20-yard touchdown pass from Rees to junior tight end Troy Niklas to cut the Wolverine lead in half.

But Michigan came right back. Gardner completed a 41-yard pass downfield to Gallon, and the two connected again three plays later, as Gardner dumped it off to his elusive receiver for their third score. Michigan again made it a two-score game, 34-20.

Notre Dame then drove down into Wolverine territory. The Irish went for it on fourth-and-four from the 17-yard line but Rees' pass intended for senior receiver TJ Jones fell incomplete.

"We were down two touchdowns and ... it felt like at that time we needed to score a touchdown," Kelly said. "Kicking three at that time is like laying up when you need a birdie."

The 27 points surrendered by Notre Dame in the first half were more than the Irish allowed in any game last season. Michigan's 41 points were the second-most scored by either team in series history.

On the other side of the ball, the Irish tallied 410 yards of total offense. Rees finished 29-for-51 with 314 yards, two touchdowns and the two interceptions. Jones tied a career-high with nine grabs and racked up 94 yards and a score.

The loss was just the second in the regular-season for Notre Dame since October 2011.

"I think it's a loss of focus," Jones said. "Last year, we went 12-1, and I feel some people may think we did that easily, that they didn't have to pay attention to the details when a lot of those games were battles to the very last second."

Notre Dame is back in action Saturday when it travels to West Lafayette, Ind., to square off with Purdue. Kickoff is scheduled for 8 p.m. at Ross-Ade Stadium.

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Irish senior quarterback Tommy Rees receives the snap during Notre Dame's 41-30 loss in Michigan Stadium on Saturday. Rees completed 29 of 51 passes for 314 yards in the loss.

QBs

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the sack, and that's what I did in my own end zone, and it was a horrible decision," Gardner said.

"I was upset with myself for the mistake. It was a horrible mistake and could have cost us the game, but like I said the defense gave us a place to stand, and I went on and finished it."

In addition to Gardner's passing prowess — the Detroit, Mich., native threw for 294 and four touchdowns — he rushed for a touchdown and 82 yards, including a 35-yard carry to the Irish 21-yard line to spur a second-quarter field goal.

"[Michigan] had a good quarterback tonight who made a lot of plays," Kelly said. "He's difficult to defend. He can run it, he threw with efficiency, they keep their option principles involved within their structure. They are difficult to defend."

In the Kelly era, Notre Dame is 11-0 in games in which it does not commit a turnover. The Irish, however, coughed it up for their first two times in 2013 against the Wolverines. Notre Dame had a minus-15 turnover differential in 2011 and finished 8-5. Last year, the Irish were plus-8 in the turnover category and compiled a 12-1 record.

Additionally, Notre Dame

finished 2012 70th in the nation in red-zone offense with an 80 percent scoring rate. Against Michigan, the Irish converted three out of five times inside the Michigan 20-yard line.

"I just think we missed opportunities. When we're in the red zone, we missed opportunities," Kelly said. "This wasn't made up, they were real opportunities. We had the right plays on, and we needed to execute better. If we execute those plays when they were called upon, we put two more scores on the board, and this game is over. And we didn't."

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Destiny

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this team has a distinctly different feel from the last.

Several major contributors to this year's squad had never played in a losing effort outside of the title-game defeat. Even for those veterans who remember the ups and downs of 2010 and 2011, the 20-month span of 13 continuous regular-season wins surely dulled the memories of losing.

"I think this is kind of a wake-up call for us," Irish senior receiver TJ Jones said. "I think a lot of people forgot what it was to not lose. They forgot how to fight through to not ending up like

this."

No team had been more accustomed to winning in the regular season than Notre Dame was over that stretch. Now, hoping to make the loss to the Wolverines a blip on the radar rather than the advent of a new streak, the Irish are forced to regroup on the fly for the first time in what seems like ages.

"It comes down to character," junior running back Amir Carlisle said. "Everyone can be high and mighty when you are on top, when you are winning. It's just a character test for our team as a whole, to bounce back. You know, we had to deal with a little adversity, now we are 1-1. And our response? I think we

are a high-character team and we are going to respond to this and get back to work Tuesday at practice."

This team does not have destiny on its side, nor would it be smart to rely upon miracles to secure victories moving forward. The Irish have nothing to rely on but themselves.

Although they were not good enough Saturday, they were close.

And that's a good place to start.

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Rees moves up all-time list

By JOSEPH MONARDO
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Irish senior quarterback Tommy Rees threw for 314 yards on 29-of-51 passing, marking the first time in his career he posted consecutive 300-yard games.

The game gave Rees a boost in a historical context, as the Lake Forest, Ill., native moved past Jarious Jackson and into sixth place on the all-time Irish passing list. Rees now sits at 5,073 yards for his career, behind only Brady Quinn (11,762 yards passing), Jimmy Clausen (8,148), Ron Powlus (7,602), Steve Beuerlein (6,527) and Rick Mirer (5,997) on the career leaderboard.

Big finish in Big House

Saturday's contest was the final scheduled meeting between Michigan and Notre Dame at Michigan Stadium, while Notre Dame Stadium will play host to the indefinite end of the series next season. Michigan announced a Division-I record attendance of 115,109 on hand to watch the 41st installment of the rivalry game. The loss drops Notre Dame to 16-24-1 against the Wolverines and brings the Irish losing streak in Michigan Stadium to four.

Special teams steps up

Junior kicker Kyle Brindza

hit all three of his field-goal attempts, including one from 44 yards in the second quarter to tie the contest at 10. Brindza also netted 80 yards total on his two punts.

Senior tri-captain and receiver TJ Jones also made an impact on special teams by returning a punt 18 yards in the first quarter, the longest Irish return since the Champs Sports Bowl in 2011. Junior running back George Atkinson totaled 76 yards on two kickoff returns, including one return of 50 yards in the third quarter.

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SCORING SUMMARY

	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD	4 TH	TOTAL
	7	6	7	10	30
	10	17	7	7	41

1 MICHIGAN 3, NOTRE DAME 0

Brendan Gibbons 44-yard field goal

9:00 remaining

Drive: 10 plays, 41 yards, 4:42 elapsed

MICHIGAN 10, NOTRE DAME 0

Jeremy Gallon 61-yard pass from Gardner (Gibbons kick)

5:35 remaining

Drive: Three plays, 77 yards, 1:23 elapsed

MICHIGAN 10, NOTRE DAME 7

TJ Jones 4-yard pass from Rees (Brindza kick)

2:01 remaining

Drive: Nine plays, 75 yards, 3:34 elapsed

2 MICHIGAN 10, NOTRE DAME 10

Kyle Brindza 44-yard field goal

14:05 remaining

Drive: Six plays, 20 yards, 1:34 elapsed

MICHIGAN 17, NOTRE DAME 10

Devin Gardner 2-yard run (Gibbons kick)

8:43 remaining

Drive: 12 plays, 75 yards, 5:22 elapsed

MICHIGAN 17, NOTRE DAME 13

Kyle Brindza 24-yard field goal

5:49 remaining

Drive: Eight plays, 68 yards, 2:54 elapsed

MICHIGAN 20, NOTRE DAME 13

Brendan Gibbons 38-yard field goal

1:56 remaining

Drive: Seven plays, 42 yards, 3:53 elapsed

MICHIGAN 27, NOTRE DAME 13

Jeremy Gallon 12-yard pass from Gardner (Gibbons kick)

1:09 remaining

Drive: Four plays, 23 yards, 0:20 elapsed

3 MICHIGAN 27, NOTRE DAME 20

Troy Niklas 20-yard pass from Rees (Brindza kick)

4:55 remaining

Drive: 12 plays, 90 yards, 5:25 elapsed

MICHIGAN 34, NOTRE DAME 20

Jeremy Gallon 13-yard pass from Gardner (Gibbons kick)

1:54 remaining

Drive: Seven plays, 78 yards, 3:01 elapsed

4 MICHIGAN 34, NOTRE DAME 27

Stephon Tuitt 0-yard interception return

12:06 remaining

MICHIGAN 34, NOTRE DAME 30

Kyle Brindza 40-yard field goal

9:15 remaining

Drive: Six plays, 29 yards, 1:29 elapsed

MICHIGAN 41, NOTRE DAME 30

Drew Dileo 4-yard pass from Gardner (Gibbons kick)

4:18 remaining

Drive: 10 plays, 75 yards, 4:57 elapsed

STATISTICS

RUSHING YARDS



PASSING YARDS



Time of Possession

25:56

Time of Possession

34:04



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Irish junior tight end Troy Niklas stretches for the end zone at the end of his third-quarter touchdown reception in Saturday's 41-30 road loss to Michigan. Niklas caught six balls for 76 yards after catching one ball, a 61-yard touchdown strike, in the season opener against Temple last week.

MAIZE AND BLUE TOO MUCH

Walking into the Big House with high hopes, Notre Dame left with its first regular-season loss since Nov. 2011. Michigan senior quarterback Devin Gardner led the home team to a 41-30 victory on 21-for-33 passing for 294 yards and four touchdowns while adding 82 yards and a score on the ground. Irish senior receiver TJ Jones accumulated 94 yards on nine catches and scored his first touchdown of the year in the losing effort.



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Junior Ishaq Williams rushes Michigan quarterback Devin Gardner during Saturday's game. Williams registered the only Irish sack in the outing.



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Irish coach Brian Kelly looks on from the Big House sideline.



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Irish sophomore receiver C.J. Proise runs after the catch against Michigan on Saturday.



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Irish junior running back George Atkinson carries the ball in Saturday's loss to the Wolverines. Atkinson totaled 37 yards on five carries in the contest.

THE SOUTH BEND CIVIC THEATRE BRINGS

'THE COLOR PURPLE'

TO THE STAGE.



Elaine Yu
Scene Writer

While the South Bend Civic Theatre's musical rendition of "The Color Purple" might lack the star power of Oprah and Whoopi Goldberg seen in the film version, the opening night performance lacks little else.

Through energetic and soulful singing and a nice sprinkle of laugh-out-loud moments this meaningful tale of overcoming racism and sexism in early 1900s America comes to life on stage.

"The Color Purple" is the story of Celie's (Makeda Grier) — a poor African American girl — triumph over abusive male figures and oppressive whites on her path to discovery and love in 1930s Georgia. Many may also know the story from the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel by Alice Walker, the 1985 Academy Award-nominated movie, or the 2006 Tony-nominated Broadway musical, all by the same name.

Celie is a poor, young, and uneducated girl who is repeatedly raped and twice impregnated by her father, Pa (David Smith). However, Pa does not allow Celie to raise her children but rather removes them from the picture.

Celie saves her younger, prettier sister, Nettie (Zoe Morgan), from an undesired marriage to Mister (Ben Little) when her father forces her to into the loveless, abusive marriage. However, through new friends such as Sofia (Laurisa

LeSure) and Shug (Jasmine Dennie), Celie begins to build confidence and eventually leaves her former life behind.

Nettie, on the other hand, takes the opportunity that Celie gave her to excel in her studies and eventually travels to Africa with a missionary family to do ministry work. Years later, she discovers that the children of the missionary family are actually the children that Celie was forced to give up.

While Celie starts a successful business, Nettie and the missionary family return to America. After 30 years of separation, Celie and Nettie are able to embrace each other again and Celie reunites with her children. (I did not tear up. Something got in my eye.)

Grier's portrayal of Celie's transition from an awkward, submissive girl into a grown, independent woman was believable. Her musical performance was great overall and had me wondering how her lungs could hold that much air. Plus, I could not help but say, "You go girl!" when she called out her abusive husband. However, I did wish she would make eye contact with the general audience more frequently rather than look above us. (A few times my imagination got the best of me and I thought there was something in the air.)

To be honest, there were one or two rough patches in a few songs and production. For example, the introduction music on an empty stage was a little too long which made for an awkward moment when I wondered if someone

pressed play too early. However, the moments of amazing vocal runs and tear-jerking scenes made up for those minor situations.

The Mainstage Auditorium, which seats 209, made for a great setup to get a close up of the performers' expressions but it also meant that the stage was rather small. The versatile stage had to be transformed into multiple locations spanning states and nations but it was done relatively well as a result of careful positioning and lighting.

In terms of hair and costume, I did spot a pair of cap toe flats and a slightly too fancy hairdo. But, the majority of the hair and costumes were true to the period and the character's circumstances. My personal favorite was the colorful, sequin-covered African dresses and headdresses. Also, since some performers played multiple characters, the different costumes were much appreciated in telling which character the performer was portraying at the moment.

The musical runs for approximately two-and-a-half hours including a 15-minute intermission. Check for show times through September 15th in the Wilson Mainstage Auditorium at the South Bend Civic Theatre. Tickets are \$21.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

MLB scores with playoff expansion



Greg Hadley
Sports Writer

The NFL regular season kicked off Sunday, though in all likelihood, you already knew that. Maybe you watched a game or two. You probably checked the scores for your fantasy team as you were doing homework. At the very least, you checked ESPN and saw the headlines about Colin Kaepernick. I did all three.

But at the same time, I kept an even closer eye on the race for the last wild card spots in baseball. The regular season is coming to a close, and thanks to recent rule changes, these last 20 games will almost certainly be as exciting as any in recent history.

It all started in March 2012, when commissioner Bud Selig announced the addition of a second wild card. Previously, only the division winners and the team with the next best record made the playoffs. Under the new system, the two best teams outside of the division winners play each other in a single elimination game. The decision was made to generate more excitement among fans that were drifting towards the NBA or NHL.

Right away, the system worked. In the National League (NL), the Cardinals, the defending world champions, took the second wild card and used the opportunity to advance all the way to the National League Championship Series. In the American League (AL), the Orioles broke out of a streak of 14 losing seasons, grabbed the second spot, won the elimination game, and pushed the Yankees to five games before finally falling. More importantly, the extra playoff spots kept one historically great baseball city (St. Louis) in the hunt and revitalized another after a moribund decade (Baltimore).

Now, a year later, Selig's decision is proving to be wise again. Five different teams are still in contention for the second wild card in the AL. The Rangers look to be fairly secure in the top spot, and entering Monday, the Rays hold the second, but Tampa Bay is only two games ahead of both the Indians and Orioles, who narrowly lead the Yankees and Royals.

The Royals and Indians, like last year's Orioles, are franchises that haven't been close to the playoffs for years. For the Orioles, it's time to prove that last year wasn't a fluke. The Yankees desperately need to be in the postseason because, well, they're the Yankees. For the Rays, it's another chapter in

their story of defying expectations and competing in the brutal AL East. For all these teams' fans, the next few weeks will be thrilling.

Over in the NL, the central division race is about as tight as can be. Three teams, the Pirates, Cardinals and Reds, have been dueling back and forth since the All-Star game and are separated by a game-and-a-half. Without the second wild card, one of these three deserving teams would be left out. Now, whoever wins the division will get a rest while the other two play again for all the marbles. Basically, it's a dream scenario for the fans and for baseball.

Some baseball purists have decried the second wild card as inherently unfair. Why should a team that played better than another in the regular season be forced to again beat that team in a one-game playoff? It devalues the regular season and will make for a boring finish to the season because teams won't have to scramble for that one spot. Even worse, it lessens the quality of teams in the postseason.

These are valid points, but that doesn't make the second wild card a bad idea, for the same reason having one wild card isn't a bad idea. From a competitive standpoint, second- and even third-place teams in some divisions (AL East, NL Central) are just as good as division leaders in others. But because those division leaders play their own, less competitive compatriots more often, their records are inflated. Should a team be punished because they are forced to play a team like the Red Sox or Cardinals more? When it comes down to it, the better team will win over a seven-game series. And, as the past two years have shown, it certainly doesn't make the end of the regular season boring.

Of course, it's not all about competition. Business is an integral part of modern sports and a second wild card is good for business. More markets get involved in the lucrative postseason and fans buy more tickets and merchandise. And, as greedy and self-serving as that might sound, it's okay, because a second wild card gives a chance to mid-market teams that need the boost to stay competitive. Most importantly, more fans get the chance to see their team fight for the World Series.

What's wrong with that?

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SWIMMING

Critics question record swim's legitimacy

Associated Press

Diana Nyad's 110-mile swim from Cuba to Florida has generated positive publicity and adoration for the 64-year-old endurance athlete — along with skepticism from some members of the small community of marathon swimmers who are questioning whether she accomplished the feat honestly.

On social media and the online Marathon Swimmers Forum, long-distance swimmers have been debating whether Nyad got a boost from the boat that was accompanying her — either by getting in it or holding onto it — during a particularly speedy stretch of her swim. They also question whether she violated the traditions of her sport — many follow strict guidelines known as the English Channel rules — by using a specialized mask and body suit to protect herself from jellyfish.

Nyad's navigator and one of the swim's official observers told The Associated Press this weekend that Nyad didn't cheat and that she was aided during the rapid part of her swim by a swift current. And neither Nyad nor her team ever said she would follow English Channel rules, developed for swimming the waters between England and France. Those rules outlaw neoprene wetsuits and contact with a support boat. Nyad wore a full non-neoprene bodysuit, gloves, booties and a silicone mask at night, when jellyfish are a particular problem, and removed the suit once she got over the reef on her approach to Key West.

According to Nyad's team, she finished the swim Monday afternoon after roughly 53 hours in the water, becoming the first to do so without a shark cage. It was her fifth try, an endeavor apparently free from the boat troubles, bad weather, illnesses and jellyfish encounters that have bedeviled Nyad and other swimmers in recent years.

Nyad's progress was tracked online via GPS by her team, and some critics say they think

information is missing.

Many wonder about a roughly seven-hour stretch when Nyad apparently didn't stop to eat or drink, recalling her 2012 attempt when she got onto the boat for hours during rough weather. Nyad eventually got back into the water to try finishing, but her team was criticized for delaying the release of that information to the public.

Malinak said the hours-long spike in Nyad's speed after 27 hours of swimming is particularly questionable — she went from her normal pace of roughly 1.5 mph to more than 3 mph, then slowed down again as she approached Key West.

Navigator John Bartlett said the increased speed was due to the fast-moving Gulf Stream working in her favor, nothing more.

"At some points we were doing almost 4 miles an hour," Bartlett said. "That's just the way it works. If the current is in your favor at all, that explains it."

The data collected by Bartlett and two observers will be submitted to three open-water swimming associations and the Guinness World Records for verification, Bartlett said.

Mitch Roffer of Melbourne-based Roffer's Ocean Fishing Forecasting Service Inc. said he got an email questioning whether Nyad's swim was a hoax, so he decided to look at the charts for himself. What he saw convinced him that she could do it.

"Many times that current runs west-east and you're constantly fighting the current if you're swimming north. In this case, it was in the shape of an S, and the angle was almost exactly from Havana to Key West," Roffer said.

Janet Hinkle, a Key West boat captain and acquaintance of Nyad's, was called to be an observer for the swim when Steve Munatones, a former U.S. national open-water coach, was unable to make it. "I can say unequivocally she swam every stroke without question," Hinkle said.

Critics have said Hinkle was

too close to Nyad to be an independent observer of her swim. Hinkle has in the past helped Nyad by providing housing for her when the swimmer stayed in the Florida Keys, but she said she remained on the periphery of Nyad's team.

Since none of the various open-water swimming associations dictate how someone should swim from Cuba to Florida — officially accomplished only by Nyad and Susie Maroney, who used a shark cage — Nyad just had to follow generally accepted rules about not getting out of the water or using equipment such as fins.

"Generally the rules are: You walk in, you swim across and you walk out, and you do it under your own power," said Munatones, who consulted with Nyad for this swim and observed her attempts in 2011 and 2012.

The elaborate, full-body suit and protective mask Nyad wore to protect herself from venomous jellyfish actually weighed her down, Munatones said.

"To put that on is like putting on a wedding gown in the ocean," he said. "It's different from the English Channel rules, but the water is different from the English Channel."

To many, it seems Nyad hasn't exactly endeared herself to those in the marathon swimming community. Some consider her primarily concerned with gaining the spotlight instead of helping others advance the sport.

At her post-swim news conference on Tuesday, Nyad admitted that she had not been rooting for McCardel and that she was miffed some members of her team would jump ship to work for a competitor.

McCardel said she was disappointed to hear Nyad call those crew members "traitors."

"One of the greatest things, I believe, about international marathon swimming is how people across the world support crew for and mentor each other. I wouldn't change this aspect of our sport for the world!" McCardel posted on her Facebook page.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL | SMC 3, ALMA 1

Saint Mary's defeats Alma in four sets

By **MICHAEL GINOCCHIO**
Sports Writer

For the second time in as many days, the Belles picked up a win in conference play with a four-set victory (25-21, 16-25, 25-22, 26-24) over the Alma Scots on Saturday.

According to Belles coach Toni Elyea, strong defense from players like junior libero Meredith Mersits played a key role in earning the win for the Belles (3-4, 2-1 MIAA).

"I felt our defense did a great job coming up with big plays when they were needed," Elyea said. "Our (junior) libero Meredith (Mersits) not only did a great job on defense, but she

also did a great job running our offense out of system."

Mersits contributed a match-high 17 digs and four service aces. In addition to Mersits' play, the Belles benefitted from strong showings from sophomore outside hitter Katie Hecklinski and junior outside hitter Kati Schneider. Schneider had 16 kills with 11 digs, while Hecklinski chipped in with 11 kills and tied Mersits for a match-high 17 digs.

Their performance was critical to the Belles' come-from-behind victory, a fact not lost on Elyea.

"Kati and Kathryn had a great match for us," Elyea said. "They both had a double-double and

found ways to score versus a great defense. [Junior outside hitter] Brooke Fowler also had a great match for us. She was able to come up with great kills at key moments in the match."

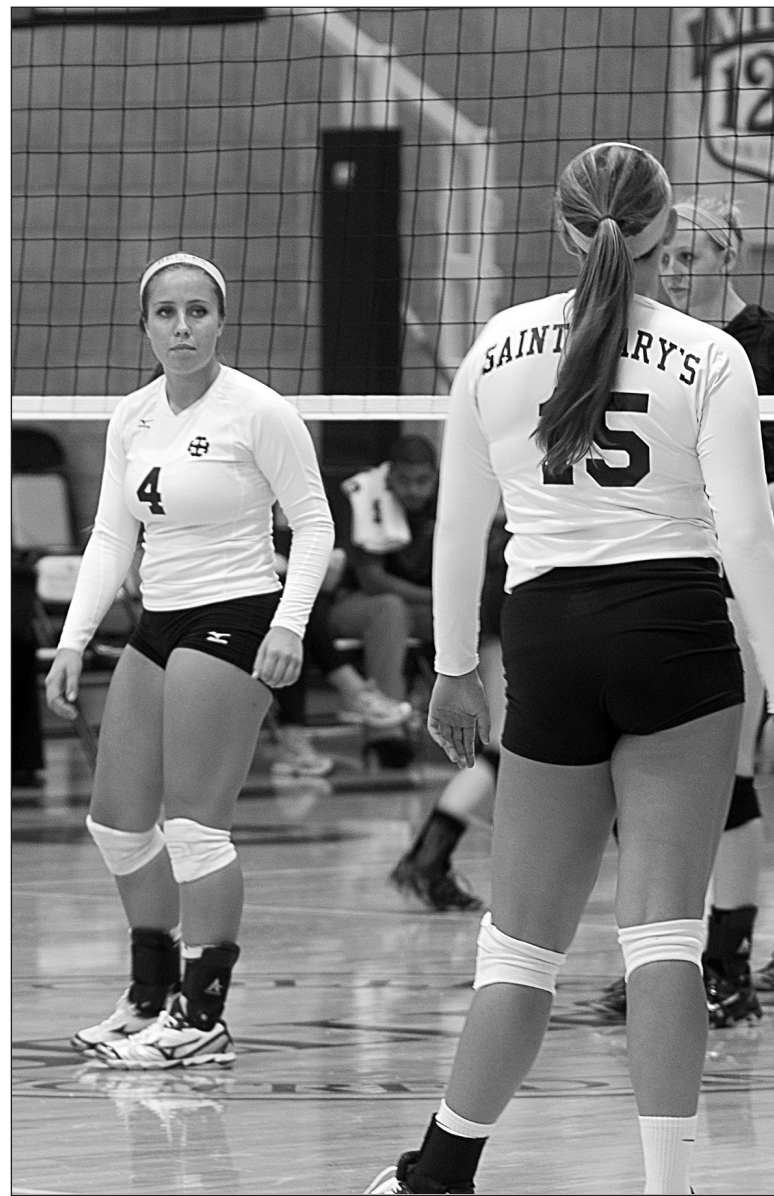
After winning the first set 25-21, the Belles were quickly matched by the Alma as the Scots took the second set 25-16. In the third set, Alma was at one point up 19-11. The Belles responded by scoring 12 of the next 13 points, and after taking the third set 25-22 endured another tight set in the fourth by facing a 23-24 deficit before ripping off three consecutive points to take the set and the match.

Coach Elyea said she was proud of her team's resiliency, and said she sees it as a sign of better things to come.

"We were happy with the win at Alma," Elyea said. "They are a very tough competitive team. We know that it is still early in the process and we have a lot to work on...[but] to come back, from being down eight points, and come up with a win on the road showed a lot of heart."

The Belles resume play on September 11, when they travel to Olivet, Michigan, to take on the Olivet Comets at 7 P.M.

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Belles freshman setter Clare McMillan communicates with her teammate during the Belles' 3-1 match win over Albion on Friday.

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MLB

White Sox break losing streak

Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Pinch-runner Chris Dickerson got lost on the bases and was doubled up for the final out, and the Chicago White Sox ended a nine-game losing streak by holding off the Baltimore Orioles 4-2 Sunday.

Down 4-1, Baltimore loaded the bases with no outs in the ninth against Addison Reed. After Ryan Flaherty grounded into a forceout at second base that scored a run, Dickerson ran for him.

Dickerson tried to steal second on a pitch to Brian Roberts, who hit a foul pop near first base. Dickerson didn't know where the ball went, and the baserunning blunder made him an easy out at first.

Rookie Andre Rienzo pitched three-hit ball into the seventh inning and Adam Dunn homered for the White Sox. Reed wound up with his 37th save.

Adam Jones hit his 31st home run for the Orioles, who went 0 for 11 with runners in

scoring position and stranded eight. Baltimore began the day one game behind Tampa Bay in the race for the final AL wild-card slot.

Dayan Viciedo had two hits and an RBI for the White Sox, who averted a four-game sweep and put a positive finish on a terrible that included three defeats apiece in Boston and Yankee Stadium. Only eight teams in major league history have gone winless on a road trip of at least 10 games.

Chicago (57-85) also avoided falling 30 games under .500 for the first time since ending the 1976 season at 64-97.

Making his eighth big league start, Rienzo (2-1) gave up one run and four hits in 6 2-3 innings. The Brazilian native walked two and struck out four in the second-longest outing since being summoned from the minors on July 30.

Rienzo left after giving up a two-out single to J.J. Hardy in the seventh. Flaherty followed with a double off Matt Lindstrom, who struck out Roberts to end the threat.

ND CROSS COUNTRY | CRUSADER OPEN

Irish claim multiple titles at Valparaiso

By A.J. GODEAUX
Sports Writer

The Irish got their season underway this weekend at the Crusader Open at Valparaiso, claiming the women's team title as well as the men's and women's individual crowns.

The Irish women, even without most of their top athletes, were dominant, as Notre Dame runners took the top six places and sophomore Sydni Meunier ran away with the women's individual title with a 5-kilometer time of 17:57.7. The Irish blew away the competition with only 15 points; second-place Valparaiso's racked-up 61 and Central Michigan came in third with 63.

Juniors Emily Frydrych (18:09.7) and Karen Lesiewicz (18:10.8), senior McKinzie Schulz (18:17.8) and freshmen Elli Brady (18:22.8) and Gabrielle Thivierge (18:23.7) finished after Meunier.

"The kids just did a great job this weekend," Irish women's coach Tim Connelly said. "You always go into a meet expecting certain things, and I have a lot of confidence in these kids. Sweeping the top six, that's something I was hoping for, something I expected."

Beyond the great result, Connelly was also pleased with the experience the younger runners gained.

"A lot of these kids don't have a lot of cross country experience," Connelly said. "This is an opportunity to put them in positions that count. It's one thing to be the sixth, seventh, eighth runner in a meet, not being sure if you'll count. But here you're the first, second, third runner on the team and you know how well you run counts."

The Irish men also turned in an impressive performance, with senior Patrick Lesiewicz taking the men's crown with a blazing time of 19:11.9 on the 6-kilometer course, his second career victory. Though the Irish barely missed out on the team crown, as IUPUI narrowly edged them out 27-28, men's coach Joe Piane was positive about his team's performance, starting with Lesiewicz.

"Lesiewicz was in our top tier of runners last year," Piane said. "So I expected this out of him and he ran a great race."

Freshman Scott Milling (19:20.7) notched a third place finish in his first ever collegiate race, while sophomore



Observer File Photo

Irish junior Katie Moran pushes herself to the finish line at the National Catholic Championships on Sept. 16, 2011. Notre Dame hosted the invitational.

Kevin Durham (19:35.7) rounded out the top five. Piane also praised freshman Nicholas Laureano's 11th-place finish.

"We wanted to see a lot of our younger runners in this

meet, and they didn't disappoint," Piane said. "Milling was impressive, and Durham missed most of the season last year so it was good to see him out there competing."

The Irish next race in their

first home meet of the season, the National Catholic Championships on Sept. 20 at the Notre Dame Golf Course.

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NFL

Saints defeat Falcons in Payton's return

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Sean Payton's return to the sideline is one game old and already the Saints are celebrating a dramatic victory over a presumed title contender.

They're alone in first place, too.

Drew Brees passed for 357 yards and two scores, Roman Harper intercepted Matt Ryan's tipped fourth-down pass in the end zone, and New Orleans held on for a 23-17 victory over the Falcons on Sunday.

"I was hoping our defense would pull one out, and man, did they ever," Brees said.

Last season, while suspended in connection with the NFL's bounty probe, Payton watched helplessly from afar as the Saints fielded one of the worst defenses ever, yielding a single-season record 7,042 yards. One of his first moves upon reinstatement was to hire Rob Ryan as defensive coordinator.

Payton put the new product on the field right away, electing to kick off when the Saints won the coin toss.

"Sean sent the defense

out first, which you would never have seen in the past," Harper said. "So just a whole different feel and the things that we're trying to accomplish, this is just one step in the right direction."

Brees' first touchdown went to Marques Colston, who made a diving, 25-yard snag for his 533rd catch, setting a franchise record.

"That's just vintage Marques Colston," Brees said. "I have so much trust and confidence in him. He knows the ball's coming to him and he's going to make that play."

Brees also hit tight end Jimmy Graham for a 7-yard score in the third quarter to give the Saints the lead for good.

"It was just important to get the first win," Payton said. "You try to compartmentalize each week, each game, and we played a good team. ... We fought hard, especially late."

New Orleans' day got even better when Tampa Bay and Carolina lost, leaving the Saints atop the NFC South.

Atlanta's Ryan passed for 304 yards and touchdown

passes to Tony Gonzalez and Julio Jones. In the final three minutes, Ryan quickly drove Atlanta to the Saints 3 before the New Orleans defense stiffened.

"When we play the Saints, it's usually hard-fought, and it turned out that way again," Atlanta coach Mike Smith said. "We have to protect the quarterback a lot better."

Steven Jackson rushed 11 times for 77 yards in his Atlanta debut, including a 50-yard run.

New Orleans' defense gave up two 50-yard plays, the other on Harry Douglas's reception, but also produced pressure regularly.

Ryan was sacked three times — by Junior Galette, Akiem Hicks and Parys Haralson — and threw balls away several times, including on an early third down that forced Atlanta to settle for a field goal.

The group also produced a momentum-changing turnover when Malcolm Jenkins stripped Jones and Harper recovered, setting up Colston's TD, which tied the game at 10 in the second quarter.

Colston finished with five

catches for 68 yards. Darren Sproles caught six passes for 88 yards.

Douglas caught four passes for 93 yards, including a 20-yarder to the New Orleans 7 on Atlanta's final drive. But that turned out to be Ryan's last significant completion on a drive which started with connections of 17, 16, 7 and 13 yards.

On third-and-goal, Ramon Humber broke up a pass for Jackson at the goal line.

"I dropped the ball," Jackson said. "It wasn't the easiest catch, but I'm not a person to make excuses."

Then rookie safety Kenny Vaccaro tipped Ryan's fourth down pass for Gonzalez in the end zone and Harper dived to catch it before teammates piled on him while the Superdome crowd erupted.

"The ball was up in the air and I liked my chances, but we were just a fingertip away," Gonzalez said. "So for that, give them credit."

Smith said the drive was well-executed "until we got inside the 10-yard line. ... The final play is going to be analyzed 5,000 times in the next three days."

Before kickoff, Payton helped former special teams standout Steve Gleason, who has Lou Gehrig's disease, initiate the Superdome crowd's traditional pregame "Who dat!" chant.

Fans stood and cheered passionately as Payton held up Gleason's arm with his left hand and held up his own right arm, then lowered both to initiate the chant by fans eagerly awaiting a matchup between the past two teams to win NFC South.

It didn't translate to a good start for the home club, though.

The Falcons struck for the first big play on Douglas' 50-yard catch and run to the New Orleans 10, setting up Ryan's 7-yard TD pass to Gonzalez.

Atlanta later stuffed running back Mark Ingram on fourth-and-short near midfield, and quickly drove for a short field goal and a 10-0 lead. Garret Hartley's 48-yard field goal in the second quarter made it 10-3.

New Orleans then went up 13-10 on a short field goal set up by rookie Kenny Stills' 67-yard catch, and that score stood until halftime.

MEN'S GOLF | GOPHER INVITATIONAL

Rushton leads Irish on first day of invitational

By **MEREDITH KELLY**
Sports Writer

The Irish are currently tied for seventh out of 12 teams at the Gopher Invitational after one day and two rounds of playing.

The Irish have a total score of 581, with a score of 289 for their first round and 292 for their second round, which puts them at 13-over par as a team.

Irish freshman Matt Rushton is tied for fifth place, with a score of 140. He had a first round score of 67 and a second round score of 73. Irish coach Jim Kubinski said Rushton is part of a group of very talented freshmen who have shown great maturity.

Kubinski said he is satisfied with Rushton's effort after a great couple of rounds.

"[Rushton] made some birdies in a row near the end of the 1st round. He played nearly as well in the afternoon, too, but didn't make as many putts," Kubinski said. "I'm proud of his effort today. He stayed

focused throughout and very patient."

As for Rushton's final few rounds, Kubinski said he believes there are too many holes and too many competitors to predict finishes.

Kubinski also said senior Niall Platt played very solidly and gave himself chances throughout the day. Platt is at even par with a score of 142, shooting 71 in both the second and third round. He is currently tied for 10th.

The Irish will tee off early tomorrow morning, and Kubinski said they have a good chance to move into the top five. He also said their goal is to give their team a chance to win in the final round.

Although the Irish have just joined the ACC, Kubinski said there are not any regular season opponents in their schedule. Their lone opportunity to play fellow ACC teams is at the conference championship in North Carolina in April.

The Irish are currently playing at the Windsong Farm Golf Club



ASHLEY DACY | The Observer

Irish sophomore Cory Sciupider lines up for a drive during the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic on Oct. 9, 2012 at the Warren Golf Course in South Bend. Notre Dame finished 8th in the tournament.

in Independence, Minn. Kubinski said Windsong has a challenging layout and is a fun course to play on.

"A low score is there means you're on your game,"

Kubinski said. "It's a challenge if you're just that little bit off. Certainly the wind made scoring tougher this morning, which makes Matt's round that much more

impressive."

The Irish will wrap up play today.

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Belles split weekend games

By **A.J. GODEAUX**
Sports Writer

The Belles' two weekend matches could not have ended with more different results, as the Belles fell 3-0 to Wilmington on Saturday before rebounding with a 3-0 shutout Sunday over the College of Mt. St. Joseph to finish the non-conference season 2-2.

The Belles were only down 1-0 going into the half against Wilmington, but couldn't capitalize on the few opportunities they had early in the second half. The Quakers (2-1), however, threatened on the offensive end all game, finally scoring twice more in the middle of the second half to put the game out of reach.

"We played an inconsistent game against Wilmington," senior midfielder and captain Mollie Valencia said. "We had some really bad breakdowns on the defensive and offensive side of things and showed our youth and just dug ourselves a deeper and deeper hole."

The Belles rebounded in the best way possible on Sunday, as the offense came out firing against Mount St. Joseph (0-5). Freshman forward Rosie Biehl curled a corner kick into the back of the net in just the second minute, the first goal of her Saint Mary's career. Biehl

added her second goal of the day ten minutes later, and the Belles went into the half up 2-0 having outshot the Lions 13-1.

"We possessed the ball better against Mount St. Joseph," Valencia said. "That's something we've done in both our wins this year. We also played more controlled and with better touches, which we didn't do at all against Wilmington."

The Belles didn't relent coming out of the half, getting off four shots in the first five minutes before junior forward Kelly Wilson gave the Belles an almost insurmountable lead when she booted in a rebound off the Lions' goalkeeper.

Biehl barely missed out on a hat trick when she pushed a potential third goal in the 85th minute wide, but the Belles were still able to coast to the win. Junior goalkeepers Natalie Warner and Nicole Papiernik combined for the shutout.

"We just went back to the basics," Valencia said. "You have to do that after that kind of loss, and it was great to rebound the way we did."

The Belles open up the MIAA season at 7 p.m. Thursday at Kalamazoo.

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WNBA

Williams sets league record

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Riquana Williams has always been able to score points in bunches, never though at the rate she did Sunday to set the WNBA record.

Williams broke the league's scoring mark with 51 points to help the Tulsa Shock rout the San Antonio Silver Stars 98-65 on Sunday.

The second-year guard out of Miami surpassed the previous record of 47 points set by Phoenix's Diana Taurasi against Houston on Aug. 10, 2006 and matched by Seattle's Lauren Jackson against Washington on July 24, 2007.

"It's amazing, I'm still speechless," Williams said. "It feels great. This is only my second year in the league, so to capture that at such a young age and such a young player, it's amazing. And I shot it pretty well; it wasn't a bad shooting night."

Williams, who came into the game averaging 14.4 points, was 17 for 28 from the field and hit eight 3-pointers for Tulsa (11-21). The 23-year-old had 20 points in the third quarter after scoring 16 in the first half.

"She can flat out shoot the ball," said San Antonio's Shenise Johnson, Williams' teammate at Miami. "She had that LeBron (James) look, that Kobe (Bryant) look in her eye.

Everybody moved out of the way and was out there getting it done."

With Williams approaching the record, fans were cheering for her to get the ball in the final minutes of the game on every possession. She tied the mark with a layup with 1:22 left in the game and then broke it with jumper 24 seconds later.

Williams added two emotional free throws with 5 seconds left for her final points after colliding knee-to-knee with Chelsea Poppins. The fans' reaction was almost too much for Williams, a native of Pahokee, Fla., whose population of less than 6,000 was surpassed by the 6,650 in attendance.

"I kind of got a little teary (due to the fans' cheering) even after taking the hit, so it was a combination," she said. "I was able to hide it a little. But it's great. I'm a small-town kid; this is my dream come true. I never thought I would be at this point."

The 5-foot-5 Williams had 16 points in the first half, continually rising high above taller defenders for 3s and long jumpers. She hit a 21-foot jumper over Jia Perkins before draining a 3 to pull Tulsa within 33-25 with 6 minutes remaining in the second quarter.

Perkins scored 21 points to lead San Antonio (11-21) and

Johnson added 18.

Skylar Diggins added 20 points and Tiffany Jackson-Jones had 10 for Tulsa.

Tulsa took control in the second half outscoring San Antonio 59-22. Williams had 35 herself in the final 20 minutes.

"We didn't show heart, we didn't show pride," Johnson said. "We didn't represent what was on the front of our jerseys. Honestly, we're all embarrassed."

Williams, who scored 2,148 points at Miami, had 20 points in the third quarter, going 5 for 7 on 3s. Williams had a look of bemusement after soaring over the 6-foot-2 Shameka Christon for a 3 with 1.9 seconds left in the third, giving the Shock a 71-58 lead.

"That was an amazing performance," Diggins said. "It was just so great being on the court with her. Once she got started, when she got to 20, then she got to 25, 28, I said, 'Make it 40. Get 40.' And she just looked at me, and then she got 40. We were like, oh my gosh, she might get 50."

"She just got it through the natural flow of the offense. We weren't isolating her or anything. She had the hot hand and was catching it on swings and she was just making plays."

Williams hit consecutive 3s to give Tulsa a 59-54 lead.

ND WOMEN'S GOLF | IU FALL KICKOFF

Irish open season at Purgatory Golf Club

By **COLE SCHIETINGER**
Sports Writer

Notre Dame started off their season at the Purgatory Golf Club in Noblesville, Ind., on Sunday at the first-ever IU Fall Kickoff. In a Midwestern showdown, headlined by No. 5 Purdue, the Irish played as individuals only.

Among stiff competition, senior Kristina Nhim stood out, shooting just two-over par with a 74. That score was just five strokes shy of the leader, Louisville senior Tara Lyons, who posted an impressive 69.

Freshman Jordan Ferreira was just behind Nhim, who finished tied for 18th at four-over (76). Sophomore Talia Campbell shot 77, good enough for a share of 27th place. Campbell is coming off of an impressive first year, in which she fell just one

stroke short of qualifying for match play in the Amateur Championship.

Freshmen Janie Fineis finished in 36th place after shooting a round of 78. Rounding out the group for the Irish, junior Kelli Oride shot a 79, which put her in a tie for 37th overall. Junior captain Ashley Armstrong did not compete Sunday.

Notre Dame did not compete as a team, but former Big East-rival Louisville won the team tournament with a total score of 285. Host Indiana came in second, trailing by 11 strokes.

Up next, Notre Dame will head to East Lansing, Mich., for next weekend's Mary Fossum Invitational at the Forest Akers West Golf Course.

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Irish sophomore Talia Campbell examines her fairway lie on the first day of the Mary Fossum Invitational on Sept. 15, 2012.

NFL

Trestman wins debut as Bears head coach

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Sluggish for most of the afternoon, the Chicago Bears found their rhythm in time to make Marc Trestman a winner in his debut.

Jay Cutler passed to Brandon Marshall for the go-ahead touchdown in the fourth quarter, helping the Bears rally for a 24-21 victory over the sloppy Cincinnati Bengals on Sunday and giving Trestman a victory in his first game as an NFL head coach.

It wasn't quite the display the Bears were looking for after making some big changes in the off-season. But they made the most of a handful of big plays by Cutler and repeated mistakes by the Bengals.

"There were a lot of question marks," Cutler said. "How were we going to do on offense? Are the plays going to work? Are we going to be able to block them? Am I going to complete balls? So to go out there, it wasn't pretty, it wasn't perfect, we didn't think it was going to be. We made plays when we had to make plays."

Cutler threw for 242 yards behind a line with four new starters. Marshall had eight grabs for 104 yards, and the offense pulled it out after struggling most of the way.

The Bengals led by 11 in the third quarter and were up 21-17 early in the fourth when Tim Jennings jarred the ball from Mohamed Sanu following a reception and made the recovery.

Chicago took over at its 19 and got an 8-yard run from Matt Forte on fourth-and-inches at the Bengals 27 to keep the drive going. Cutler then found Marshall

in the front corner of the end zone for a 19-yard touchdown with 7:58 remaining.

The Bears made big changes in the off-season, parting with star linebacker Brian Urlacher and hiring Trestman to replace the fired Lovie Smith with the idea that he could spark the offense and lead them to the playoffs after missing out five of the past six years.

Clearly, there's work to do. The offense seemed stuck most of the afternoon but came through in the end, with Cutler completing 21 of 33 passes. He also had two touchdowns to go with an interception.

Charles Tillman matched a career high with two interceptions, giving him 35 overall for Chicago. And Robbie Gould set a franchise record with a 58-yard field goal at the end of the first half following some questionable clock management by Cincinnati.

"I think it tested us and our backbone because it didn't go the way we wanted it to go, certainly, in the first half," said Trestman, who coached the CFL's Montreal Alouettes the past five seasons. "But the guys hung in there together, at halftime pulled themselves together and the team went out and played every play and were able to come out on top."

Cincinnati's Andy Dalton threw for 282 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions. A.J. Green had 162 yards receiving and two touchdowns, including a 45-yarder. But it was a disappointing opener for a team coming off back-to-back playoff appearances for the first time since 1981 and 1982.

"They didn't stop us one time," Green said. "They didn't really stop us on offense. We were doing whatever we wanted. The biggest thing we had was turnovers."

Up 14-10 at the half, the Bengals started the third quarter with an 80-yard scoring drive.

Tillman got called for interference on a deep pass to Green

that put the ball on the 1, and BenJarvus Green-Ellis plowed in from the 5 after being hit with a 4-yard loss, making it 21-10.

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an early lead that it would never relinquish.

The Titans, however, refused to give up more in the first half. A stingy defense in Notre Dame's attacking third prevented the Irish, who handily controlled possession, from finding the net again in the first period.

The Irish struggled to string together passes in the 18-yard box and the team's best chances were denied by Dunbar, who blocked point-blank attempts by Thomas and junior forward Lauren Bohaboy.

After halftime, however, Andrews struck again just minutes after the restart. The freshman received a pass and blasted a shot from 30 yards out past Dunbar and into the upper portion of the goal.

"We talked at halftime about being more efficient around the goal and creating more opportunities," Waldrum said. "I think we did a really good job of that in the second half, and that second goal was so important to sort of put away a team like this."

The second-half onslaught continued as Bohaboy found the net only 10 minutes later on a turnaround shot from just outside the box. Andrews received the assist.

Freshman midfielder Emily Geyer, who came on for Andrews with 10 minutes

remaining in the game, finished the scoring and recorded her first collegiate goal with just a minute left in the match, heading in a cross from senior midfielder Rebecca Twining.

With the victory all but secured in the second half, Waldrum took advantage of the opportunity to test the depth that will be so important to Notre Dame's success once ACC play begins.

"I'm pleased not just with the starting group but with the group behind them as well," Waldrum said. "It's important to gain some experience and get some depth for us."

The Irish now sit at 4-1 before starting their inaugural season in the ACC. Waldrum said he believes that his team is in a good position heading into conference play.

"At this point I'm very happy to be 4-1, and I think today was really important," Waldrum said. "The non-conference schedule that we've played was a pretty good stretch."

The Irish will have all hands available when then take on North Carolina State on Thursday since they were able to rest important starters like sophomore midfielder Cari Roccaro on Sunday.

That game will begin at 7 p.m. at the Dail Soccer Complex in Raleigh, N.C.

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M Soccer

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took five shots, three of them on-goal, spent the rest of the afternoon striking fear into North Carolina's Moore. Shipp had a great opportunity for a goal with 30 minutes left in regulation, but sent the ball sailing over the crossbar, while sophomore midfielder Patrick Hodan bounced a shot off the crossbar with four minutes remaining in the second half.

Although the Tar Heels grabbed the early lead and led for most of the afternoon, Clark said he felt that the Irish controlled much of the game. Notre Dame outshot North Carolina 21-12, and took three more corner kicks.

"The fact that we were 1-0 down, I think drove us on," Clark said. "We certainly didn't want to lose, and I think that gave us that extra 10 percent, as it were, in our gas tank. And then the longer the game went on, I think they also were getting content to sit on the 1-0 lead. But I think we created many better opportunities."

The game featured 40 fouls and six yellow cards.

"I think the ref did a really good job throughout, actually," Clark said. "It wasn't an easy game to referee, because it was very competitive."



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Irish junior forward Vince Ciccicarelli leaps for a header during Notre Dame's 1-1 tie against North Carolina on Sept. 8, 2013.

Brown, who was one of the two Notre Dame players to take a yellow card, said the team came away from the draw with mixed feelings.

"We knew we should've won the game, we knew we should've score multiple goals," Brown said. "We had that feeling like, 'We're going to get one eventually,' and it's really a shame that we didn't end up getting [a winner]. We definitely didn't feel frustrated, just a little disappointed in ourselves at the end of the day. But it's not a terrible result against a pretty good team."

Clark said the match proved the Irish can play

with the best of the best.

"They're a good team, but I think with today's performance, if you looked at it clinically, I think we were the better side," Clark said. "I think early season rankings don't mean too much. I think you've got to wait until the season plays out a bit."

The Irish will attempt to get their first ACC win Friday when they travel to Syracuse, N.Y., to take on the Orange. The game begins at SU Soccer Stadium at 7 p.m.

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Volleyball

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thought the rest of our team rose to the occasion and competed hard."

Dabrowa, whose players' average age is in the late twenties, plays in Europe's top women's volleyball league and is touring the United States playing against top NCAA competition. The Polish squad fell to No. 1 Penn State last week and will move on to Chicago to take on Northwestern on Tuesday.

The Irish opened the weekend against Bowling Green on Friday and cruised to a four-set victory. After a close first two sets that the teams split, Notre Dame took the next two in decisive fashion, winning 25-19 and 25-13. Led by 14 kills apiece from Alughue and Houser, the Irish hit .286 in front of 1,043 fans in Notre Dame's home opener.

"I really liked the way we finished against Bowling Green," Brown said. "I thought we had fantastic team chemistry and in the fourth game were playing with a really high level of confidence."

On Saturday, the Irish faced a top-25 opponent in No. 22 Purdue and fell in a five-set squeaker. Though the team held a 2-1 lead after three sets, the Boilermakers rallied and seized control of the match with a dominating fourth

set, winning 25-13. From there, Purdue cruised in the decisive fifth set, 15-10. The Irish were held to a disappointing .097 hitting percentage as the Boilermakers proved dominant at the net, registering 17.5 blocks in the victory. Houser led the offensive effort for the Irish, notching 11 kills as well as three services aces as the Irish fell.

"We had a top-25 team in the building and had opportunities in the fifth set," Brown said. "We got stuck in a rotation and gave up a number of points in a row, and that part of it is really frustrating. It's probably something that will haunt all of us for the rest of this season."

Despite the 1-2 record, Brown views the weekend as a learning tool that will only help the Irish as they enter ACC play.

"We played three very good teams this weekend and definitely raised our level of play," Brown said. "We played much better this weekend than we did last weekend. I think that's what we want to see - progress. And we want to win. We're going to figure out how to win these games."

The Irish stay at home next weekend for the Shamrock Invitational. The team opens the tournament playing Loyola-Chicago at 7 p.m. on Friday at Purcell Pavilion.

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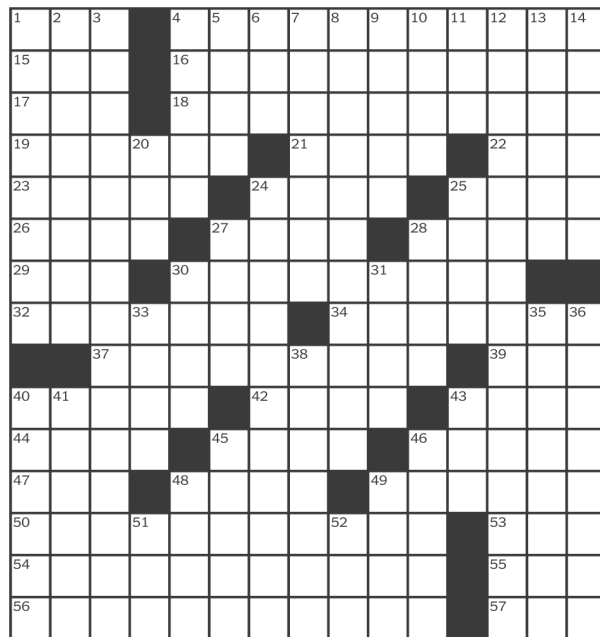
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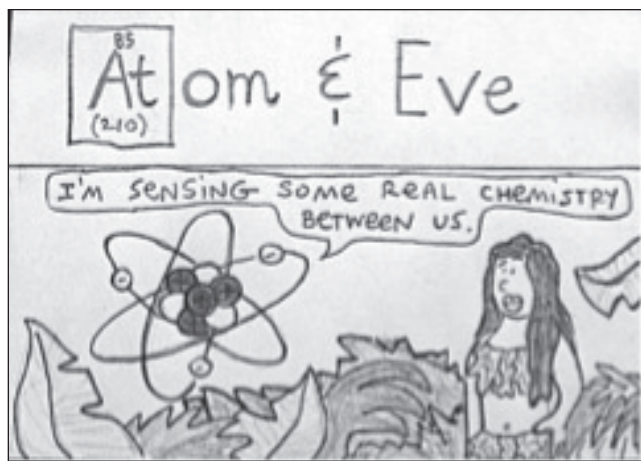
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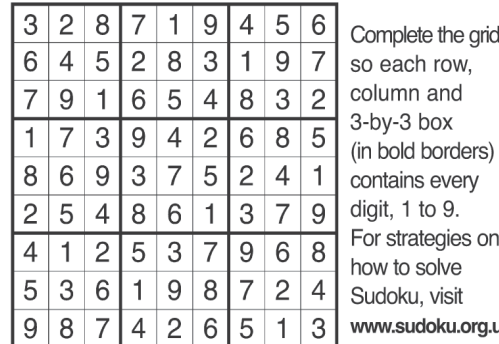


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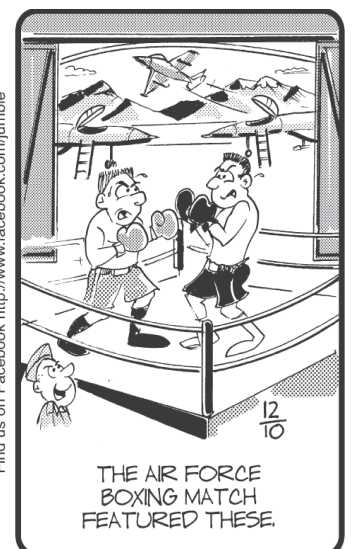
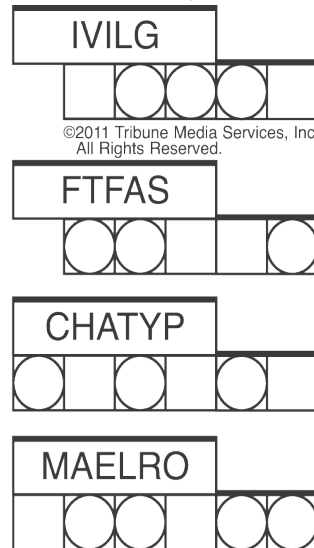
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Tie of the Titans

Notre Dame outshoots North Carolina in high-caliber draw

By VICKY JACOBSEN
Sports Writer

The No. 4 Irish couldn't secure a win in their first conference match in the ACC, but a strike from senior forward Leon Brown in the 79th minute led Notre Dame to an eventual 1-1 overtime draw with No. 1 North Carolina at Alumni Stadium on Saturday afternoon.

The Irish (1-0-2, 0-0-1 ACC) gave up an early goal to the Tar Heels (2-0-1, 0-0-1 ACC), and the time left for an equalizer was slipping away when a Notre Dame corner kick gave Irish junior midfielder Nick Besler the opportunity to take a shot at goal. UNC junior goalkeeper Brendan Moore made the save, but senior forward Harrison Shipp came up with the ball and fed it to Brown, who put it in the back of the net.

Brown has now scored three goals in the first three games of the season. He remains the only Notre Dame player to score a goal in a non-exhibition game so far this season.

"He should've had another

one, that's my only complaint for Leon," Irish coach Bobby Clark said, referencing a shot that went just wide of the goal in the second overtime period. "But Leon's playing awful well, that's the most important thing. Now the fact that he's scoring, that's a bonus."

The Irish looked slightly uncomfortable in the early part of the first half. Many passes didn't find their targets, and the forwards had trouble crossing the ball to their teammates in the box.

"I think one thing that UNC does very well, they pressure you very well, and they're good at it," Clark said. "And it took us a little while to get up to speed with that."

In the 18th minute, Tar Heels junior forward Tyler Engel, a SMU transfer, chipped an unassisted goal past Irish senior goalkeeper Patrick Wall.

"It was a disappointing goal, I'm not going to point fingers," Clark said. "I think we'll talk about that through the week. Initially there didn't seem to be a lot of danger. But sometimes, that's



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Irish senior forward Leon Brown awaits a pass during Notre Dame's 1-1 tie with North Carolina on Sunday at Alumni Stadium. The game marked the Irish's first ACC matchup.

the game. You don't take care of business and sometimes they'll slip in and get a goal; that's what I felt happened. It just came out of nowhere."

But the momentum swung the way of the Irish soon after that first goal, and they easily led the Tar Heels in scoring

opportunities.

Senior defender Grant Van de Castele thought he tied the game in the 51st minute, but the referee saw an Irish foul in the box and called off the goal.

Junior forward Vince Ciccirelli came into the

game as a substitute with about 20 minutes left in the first half, and his first touch of the game was a narrowly missed shot made possible by a pass from senior defender Luke Mishu. Ciccirelli, who

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER | ND 4, DETROIT 0

Offense dominates Detroit

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In the team's final tune-up before starting conference play, the Irish bounced back from last week's tough loss to No. 3 UCLA in an impressive 4-0 victory over Detroit at Alumni Stadium on Sunday evening.

Freshman midfielder Morgan Andrews scored two goals, including one just four minutes into the match, and the Irish defense did not allow a shot on goal in the victory. With the exception of the UCLA match, the Irish have notched a goal in the first five minutes of each of their games.

"We've gotten off to quick starts, which is really important against teams like this that kind of bunker in," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. "You don't want to let them hang around."

In the fifth minute, Andrews finished a ball



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Irish freshman midfielder Morgan Andrews dribbles during Notre Dame's 4-0 win over Detroit on Sept. 8, 2013 at Alumni Stadium.

slotted across the six-yard box by sophomore forward Crystal Thomas, sending it past Detroit's sophomore goalkeeper Martha Dunbar and staking Notre Dame to

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ND WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL | GOLDEN DOME INVITATIONAL

Irish win two of three in exhibition

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This past summer, the Irish went on an 11-day tour of Europe, playing club and professional teams in the Czech Republic, Slovenia and Italy. The tables were turned on Sunday when Notre Dame got the chance to play host to a European opponent as the Polish club Dabrowa came to Purcell Pavilion for the Golden Dome Invitational.

After splitting the first two matches of the weekend against Bowling Green and Purdue, Irish coach Debbie Brown rested a number of starters and viewed her squad's 3-0 (25-19, 25-13, 25-18) loss to the Polish side as a learning experience. Team leaders like senior setter Maggie Brindock, junior outside hitter Toni Alugbue and junior middle blocker Jeni Houser did not see the court.

"We felt like this was an

opportunity in a match situation to play some of our younger players, some of our more inexperienced players," Brown said. "Because this is an exhibition and it doesn't count on the record, we felt it was an important thing to do."

Junior outside hitter Meg Vonderhaar paced the Irish with nine kills on a .286 hitting percentage, and senior outside hitter Nicole Smith chipped in with five.

With consecutive tournament weekends in which the Irish (2-3, 0-0 ACC) played three matches each, the preseason takes a toll on the team. Brown said that getting a variety of players into the match would help keep the team fresh down the road.

"I think that we really needed to rest some of the starters. It gets a little grueling in the preseason when you're playing three matches each weekend," Brown said. "I

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