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Foundation awards grant to ND team

By EMILY McCONVILLE News Writer

In the summer of 2012, it made international headlines: scientists at the European Center for Nuclear Research (CERN) discovered the elusive Higgs boson, a sub-atomic particle that gives matter its mass, using a particle detector called the Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS). Among the researchers who discovered it were several Notre Dame professors, research faculty and students of high-energy physics.

Now, due to a three-year, \$2.4 million grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF), that group will be able to continue its research on the Higgs boson and other areas of particle physics.

Notre Dame physics professor Colin Jessop, one of the four principal investigators of the group, said the grant represents an unusual increase in funding from previous years, when funding for the NSF itself has been cut by 12 percent.

"We've been quite successful recently. We're part of the team that discovered Higgs boson ... because we were successful, we were able to argue for a little bit of an increase in funds, and we were successful in doing that,"



Dr. Daniel Karmgard shows potential new construction materials for the Hadron Caliometer. Karmgard works at QuarkNet in South Bend, where much of the design and testing of new materials takes place.

Jessop said.

The majority of the grant, Jessop said, will go to the salaries of the research faculty and graduate students who design components of the CMS and analyze data, both at Notre Dame and at CERN in Switzerland.

The people supported by the grant have a variety of different roles in the CSM's operation, Jessop said. The principal investigators, including Jessop, Dr. Michael Hildreth, Dr. Kevin Lannon and senior member Randy Ruchti, work with the electromagnetic calorimeter (ECAL).

The ECAL measures the energy of the photons and electrons that collide in the Large Hadron Collider (LHC), according to Jessop. It is made of crystals which, send a light signal to an electronic system when a particle enters, allowing researchers to analyze the data produced. Notre Dame researchers helped to develop a "trigger" system, which identifies significant particle collisions, he said.

The grant will also fund two research faculty members, Dr. Nancy Marinelli, who designed important software for the CSM's readout system and is currently at CERN, and Dr. Dan Karmgard, who works with the research laboratory QuarkNet in South Bend.

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Gallivan advisors discuss reporting

By JACK ROONEY News Writer

Members of the Advisory Committee for the John W. Gallivan Program in Journalism, Ethics and Democracy held a panel discussion Monday afternoon on the issues of modern journalism and how students can make an impact in the future of the industry.

Panelists included Robert Costa, Washington editor of the "National Review" magazine; Bill Dwyre, sports columnist for the "Los Angeles Times;" Maddie Hanna, reporter for the "Philadelphia Inquirer;" Daniel LeDuc, editor at the Pew Charitable Trusts; John McMeel, president and chairman of Andrews McMeel Universal; Anne Thompson, chief environmental affairs correspondent for NBC News and Kelley Tuthill, reporter and anchor at WCVB-TV, the Boston affiliate

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Author recalls Rockne's legacy

By JACK ROONEY News Writer

On Friday afternoon, awardwinning author and sports historian Jim Lefebvre gave a lecture and held a book-signing for the launch of his new book, "Coach Layden, Don Miller, Charlie Bachman, Norman Barry, Noble Kizer, John Law and Fred Miller all attended the event.

Lefebvre focused on the five timeless themes he saw in Rockne's life, including fearlessness, being a man on the move, connection, education and having a life well lived.

Festival highlights culture

By WEI LIN News Writer

Performers showcased weeks of preparation Friday during the Chinese program's fourth Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration, which featured song performances, dance performances and story-telling in the student lounge in the Coleman-Morse Center. Students taking Chinese, international students from China and students interested in the Chinese culture attended the celebration. The Chinese program, part of Notre Dame's Department of East Asian Languages and Culture, has hosted the Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration in 2008, 2009 and 2010 but was not able to plan for it during the years 2011 and 2012. Chinese associate teaching



for a Nation: The Life and Times of Knute Rockne."

Lefebvre's talk, titled, "Rockne Remembered: A Retrospective on a Life Well-Lived" was held in the Carey Auditorium of the Library prior to the book-signing.

During the lecture, Lefebvre introduced several family members of Rockne players who came for the book launch and two of Rockne's nieces who were in attendance. Relatives of Notre Dame greats, such as Elmer Lefebvre said fearlessness was the foundation of Rockne's life and career in football.

"The fearlessness just plays out throughout his life. He accepted challenges and he went after it," he said. "I attribute some of it to his ancestry to the Viking explorer. There was something about him that said, 'keep

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Participants in the Chinese program's Mid-Autumn Festival explore music, dancing and food associated with the cultural celebration.

professor Chengxu Yin said the event was a "great success" with "overwhelmingly positive" student feedback in the past. "There are two primary

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QUESTION OF THE DAY:

Where is your favorite place to run or walk near Notre Dame?





Sean Morrison sophomore Keenan Hall

"My favorite walk is going back and forth to the soccer stadium. I love watching the games."



Emily Kitchin junior Lewis Hall

"In front of the Rudy bench around St. Joseph Lake, there's a beautiful view of the dome and Basilica."

Charley Berno senior Off campus "Downtown South Bend."



Richard Fasani sophomore Keenan Hall "Loftus track."

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Tom Catalano senior Off campus

"The path in front of Carrol Hall

around St. Joseph Lake in the

"The tunnels. (Sometimes they're unlocked.)"



This year, members of Keenan Hall welcomed their new golden retriever puppy, Bacon. Since the arrival of the puppy, there has been a mass influx of both male and female visitors to the dorm.

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THE NEXT FIVE DAYS:

Wednesday

"Writing a Mobile Empire" McKenna Hall 6 p.m.-7 p.m. Classics lecture.

Four:7 Catholic Fellowship Cavanaugh Hall 8:15 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Student-led Catholic fellowship and

discussion.

Tuesday

Blood Drive Rolfs Sports Recreation Center 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Give blood.

Laughter Yoga

St. Liam Hall 3 p.m.-4 p.m. Part of the Wellness Wednesday series by University Health Services

Zen Meditation Coleman-Morse Center

Annual Blue Mass Basilica of the Sacred Heart 5:15 p.m.-6:15 p.m. Honoring police and firefighters for their service.

Stress Buster Friday St. Liam Hall 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Relax with afternoon yoga.

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Concert on the Steps

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Bond Hall 2 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Notre Dame Band performs.

Saturdays with the Saints

Geddes Hall 10:30 a.m-11:30 a.m. Part of the fall 2013 series "20th Century Martyrs."

5:15 p.m.-6:15 p.m.

Thursday

Practice meditating.

Second 'Justice Friday' addresses **LGBTQ** issues

By ANGELA BAKUR News Writer

week, the Saint Last

Mary's Justice Education Department discussed issues facing LGBTQ students at its second "Justice Friday" event.

Eileen Cullina, Senior president of the Straight and Gay Alliance (SAGA), said justice is an "enormous topic" affecting members

"I would hope for a response of awareness more than anything else."

Eileen Cullina president Straight and Gay Alliance

of the LGBTQ community worldwide.

"In 29 states ... you can still be fired for being gay. That's more than 50 percent," Cullina said. "In 34 states, you can be fired for being transgender, and LGBTQ youth (under the age of 18) are seven times more likely to attempt suicide than youth in general."

Cullina said sharing this information can create positive change for LGBTQ students and the entire Saint Mary's community.

"I would hope for a response of awareness more than anything else," she said. "There are a lot of people on campus who live in a bubble, who don't think there are lesbians who live on campus, despite the stereotypes about girls' schools."

Cullina said she knows of students on campus who are afraid of coming out about their sexuality, and many members of the LGBTQ community face aggressive dis- Contact Angela Bakur at

feeling of knowing that someone is so angry that they want to physically hurt you, not because you said or did anything to them, but just because you exist and they have such a problem with who you are," Cullina said.

"There's nothing like the

Although some people want to be open-minded about different kinds of sexuality, it can be difficult for them to be accepting when confronted with the issue face-to-face, Cullina said.

"Something I think about every day is that the most important way to handle things is to never react negatively to comments and looks, but to always think about educating that person," Cullina said.

SAGA will participate in-National Coming Out Day on Oct. 11 and will host Ally Week at the end of October, Cullina said. During Ally Week, a panel of students, allies and professors will talk about what it means to be a LGBTQ student and what being an ally entails.

"[Being] an ally means being someone who is LGBTQfriendly and not being afraid to speak up - being a 'superfriend,'" Cullina said.

Cullina said allies play an important role in spreading awareness and informing others about the LGBTQ community, and SAGA will host ally training this school vear.

Cullina said she hopes SAGA's events will help educate the entire Saint Mary's community, even people who are already LGBTQ-friendly.

"Although I think Saint Mary's has a long way to go, I've met so many amazing friends and allies here at Saint Mary's," she said.

SMC program promotes art

SPARK-ART *helps South Bend women turn their artistic skills into businesses*

1) create a business plan 2) implement marketing materials 3) provide general success strategies

By ALEX WINEGAR News Writer

Applications are now open for Spark for Women Visual Arts (SPARK-Art), a 12-week program sponsored by the Saint Mary's Women's Entrepreneurship Initiative (WEI) that helps South Bendarea women looking to turn their artistic skills into a business.

This program supplements WEI's SPARK program, which is in its fifth year, WEI director Martha Smith said.

Smith said most artists end up pursuing art as a side job and do not treat their talent as a full-fledged business.

"SPARK-Art intends to change this situation by guiding these women in creating a business plan, implementing marketing [and] promotional materials, and providing them with general success strategies designed specifically for visual artists," she said.

Smith said SPARK was originally a pilot program formerprofessor Susan Vance based on the San Francisco's Women Initiative (WI). After meeting with the CEO of WI, Staci Lugar Brettin, an entrepreneurship expert, Smith said Vance tweaked the San Francisco curriculum to create a version that was applicable to the South Bend community.

"Susan did not want to reinvent the wheel and searched for can't see that they can succeed, the best model in the country," they won't." Smith said. "She found it in San SPARK-Art is open to all art-Francisco's Women Initiative ists and designers, Kosovki (WI). Thereafter. several said. This includes graphic

community members joined Professor Vance's vision and brought the program to life."

Sheryl Kosovki, a mentor with Artful Work, will be the one facilitators of this new program, Smith said.

Kosovki coaches creative entrepreneurs, artists and designers on becoming successful commercial artists.

"I have been teaching entrepreneurs how to make a living for the past 20 years and recently started my own consulting business, so it was a perfect fit," Kosovki said.

"A huge part of it is creating support for them, both with a mentor and with *'Rekindle the* Flame.'"

Sheryl Kosovki facilitator SPARK-Art

Students of SPARK-Art will gain all the skills needed to succesfully run their businesses, Kosovki said. That will include not only the hard skills, such as bookkeeping, but also how to manage their fears and how to visualize success, she said.

"Some of these women have run on hard times, so imagining success is quite challenging," Kosovki said. "And if they

designers, interior designers and fine artists. It will also include some people who intend to start for-profit art galleries, Kosovki said.

The program's average age is 42, Smith said, but participants range in age from 24 to 70.

By focusing on this new branch of the SPARK program, WEI will focus on women artists and help them to become successful independent business owners, Smith said.

There was a need for a course that approaches the business aspect in a more creative, visual manner, similar to these talented artists' thinking processes, Smith said.

Kosovki said mentors and the "Rekindle the Flame" program support the artists.

"Rekindle the Flame" is a program that continues the support the entrepreneurs need after the 12 weeks are over, Kosovki said. Women meet once a month to support one another and to gainwhatever technical skills they still lack.

After looking closely at South Bend in particular, Kosovki said she noticed the community was having a hard time supporting local artists.

"If we can get a lot more artists around in the community... then [the] community can succeed in regards to arts because they'll be out there and people can begin to understand art a little bit better and its role in the community," she said.

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Traditional Chinese food was served at the Chinese program's Mid-Autumn Festival, held Friday in the Coleman-Morse Center. The event connected students and faculty in celebration of Chinese culture.

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goals in organizing this event. First, we take advantage of this opportunity to introduce an important Chinese cultural tradition to our language students [as] we present the history of the Mid-Autumn Festival to our students," Yin said. "As part of the celebration, we give our students the opportunity to taste moon cakes. Students give some performances in Chinese, thereby combining learning with entertainment." "Our second goal is to portunity to get to know each other and all the Chinese faculty and to build a larger learning community early on in the academic year."

provide students with an op-

In an interview conducted in Chinese, assistant professional specialist Congcong Ma said the event succeeded in its goal of fostering student-teacher relationships.

"The event encouraged student to voluntarily showcase their acts and it allowed teachers to discover their students' talents," Ma said. "[The event also] publicized the Chinese program, offered the students a learning platform for Chinese culture and increased students' focus, therefore inspiring eagerness to learn."

The celebration included dance performances, including a Tibetan Dance of "Love Song of Kangding" performed by visiting guest lecturers Xiaosha Wei and Yuan Xiao and visiting assistant professional specialist Wei Wang.

Chinese literature associate professor Liangyan Ge told the audience the legend of the Mid-Autumn Festival, and every participant drew a numbered slip to enter the raffle for a chance to win a prize.

Food was served at the end of the celebration, including moon cakes which are traditionally part of the Festival.

"The most successful part of the celebration was the 'edutainment' (educational entertainment), allowing the students to understand Chinese culture and learn facts in a fun environment," Ma said. "Next year's celebration will most likely have a change in venue [since] the lounge in the Coleman-Morse [Center] was a little too small and students in the very back could not hear clearly. At the same time, we look to increase the variety of performances."

Sophomore Christopher Rhyne, a psychology and Chinese major, said he would attend the event again if they held it next year.

"The shows and the games were all nice to watch and fun," Rhyne said. "However, I wish the host spoke a little louder [because] it was hard to hear. I also wished they had more seating."

Senior Chinese and political science major and poverty studies minor Dominic Romeo said he was impressed by the commitment of those involved with the event.

"The willingness of everybody involved to give up their Friday evenings to celebrate this event speaks volumes about the uniqueness of the Notre Dame Chinese [program] and the enthusiasm of its students," Romeo said.

Chinese Program coordinator and associate professor, Yongping Zhu said he appreciates the support from the Office for Undergraduate Studies, the College of Arts and Letters.sthe Institute for Asia and Asian Studies, the Kellogg Institute for International Studies and the Center for thf Study of Languages and Culture.

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Congcong Ma assistant professional specialist

"I also appreciate my colleagues, other Chinese instructors and some students for their great efforts for this event," Zhu said. "They have done a lot for the event."

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of ABC News. Prof. Robert Schmuhl, chair of Notre Dame's department of American Studies and director of the Gallivan Program, moderated the discussion.

Schmuhl asked each panel member to briefly speak about journalistic lessons theylearned both during their time at Notre Dame and in their professional lives after college.

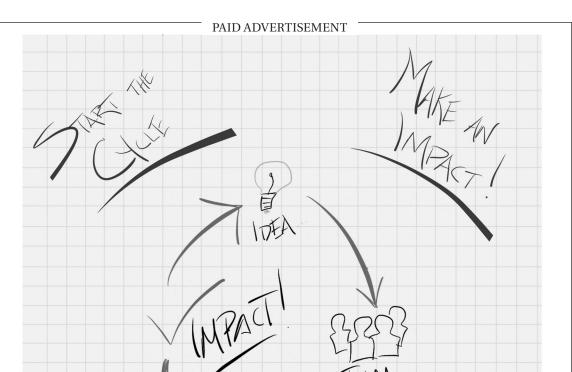
Hanna, who graduated in 2008, said young reporters must have the courage to "report critcally."

"It's not just about reporting on an event. It's asking tough questions about that event and putting things into context," Hanna said. "When difficult things happen, don't shy away After the formal discussion ended, panel members took questions from students in the audience. Students asked questions about the challenges of working as a young reporter and the role social media, especially platforms like Twitter, plays in modern journalism.

Costa said Twitter is an extremely important tool and students who are interested in journalism as a career should utilize all social media platforms, and do so properly.

"It is so critical right now when you're applying for a job ... the first thing your potential new boss is going to look at is your Twitter," Costa said.

"I find Twitter to be very empowering because as a reporter you often only have so much space to write a story and you may have a lot of color, anecdotal things in your story or notes from a meeting, and it comes back to having judgment and know what to share and what not to share.



from them or sugarcoat them."

Thompson stressed the continual process of education that occurs for journalists of all kinds and said the best way to learn is through their mistakes.

"You never stop learning when you're a journalist; it's a great thing," Thompson said. "You never stop learning about what you do. It's also very humbling because you learn everyday about how much you don't know."

LeDuc said persistence is one of the most important qualities for a successful journalist.

"You can be nice as a journalist and you should be polite, but you need to build a steely resolve," he said. "Don't be afraid to push back at your sources." "Accuracy is by far the number one thing always, but it's really great to be able to share things about a story on Twitter beyond what you wrote in your own piece."

McMeel said he had great hope for students who attended the discussion and said they are the future of journalism.

"You are talent ... and talent has a way of being able to break through with what you're doing or just always keeping that new idea down," McMeel said.

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SMC president volunteers as target for pie fundraiser

By MARGARET JOHNSTON News Writer

Friday afternoon, the Saint Mary's student center was filled with pie-throwers, whipped-cream-covered professors and onlookers as the Saint Mary's Affiliation of the American Chemical Society (SMAACS) held its first-ever Pie-Your-Professor event.

Junior Kate Bussey, SMAACS president, said the event was organized as a way to blend fun with raising support for the group.

"Being a chapter of the American Chemical Society, SMAACS provides support to students looking to further their career in chemistry as well as community outreach to attract attention to the sciences ... and we have tons of fun along the way," Bussey said.

One of the main attractions of the Pie-Your-Professor event was the pie-ing of Saint Mary's President Carol Ann Mooney. Mooney donned a yellow poncho and safety goggles and made her way behind the tarpcovered barricade as students paid for their whipped-creamfilled plates.

Mooney said she volunteered to show support for SMAACS.

"It raises community spirit and it helps fund the chemistry club for our students," she said.

Junior Morgan Carroll said she couldn't believe Mooney's willingness to participate and be smothered with pies by students.

"I think seeing President Mooney here definitely gets a lot more people involved," Carroll said. "Bringing such an important member of our Saint Mary's community here is great, and it's awesome seeing such a fun, silly, personable side of Dr. Mooney."

Bussey said SMAACS was thrilled with Mooney's involvement as well. "Her participation in our event displays her support of our club, but even more so, her dedication to every aspect of our amazing college community." Bussey said.

Raising \$400 over the course of the event, Bussey said SMAACS hopes to make Pie-Your-Professor an annual fundraiser, drawing more excitement and even larger turnouts in the upcoming years. The money raised during Friday's event will be put toward a magic show this October.

"Our chemistry magic show will be held when the kids come trick-or-treating on campus for Halloween," Bussey said. "This will be public outreach in hopes of instilling an interest of the sciences in young minds. We are very pleased with the outcome of the event."

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going.'"

The second timeless theme of Rockne's life, being a man on the move, defined Rockne both as a person and as a football coach who revolutionized the game, Lefebvre said.

"In a sense, this is a story of transportation," Lefebvre said. "There are just so many elements of it from [immigrating to America] to riding the street cars in Chicago.

"This man on the move also speaks to a larger sense of looking for ... something better. He was always looking for ways to improve the game of football to make it more entertaining for fans, and he was largely responsible for a wide-open game that replaced the mass grouping of bodies that had been the sport before that."

Lefebvre said Rockne's ability to connect to people was perhaps his most defining characteristic.

"He had a special gift for connecting to people, seeing the best in people and what we would call today empowering the people around him," Lefebvre said. "Today we talk about 'social media,' but that's usually looking at a device. He looked people in the face and he made a connection."

The fourth theme Lefebvre attributed to Rockne was his dedication to education and Rockne's role as a teacher both on and off the football field.

"[Rockne was] always a teacher and always looking to build on what was possible with athletics," Lefebvre said. "I think the stories of these former players and what they went on to do is testament to the kind of job he did with that."

Lefebvre summarized these themes with Rockne's fifth and final defining characteristic: a life well-lived.

"He took on life everyday. He didn't take days off. He vacationed occasionally, but even then he was always thinking, he was always corresponding, he was always dreaming up ways of playing the game differently, promoting the game differently," Lefebvre said.

Lefebvre said there is no figure today who compares to Rockne and his legacy.

"There is nobody in our society that is looked to in the same way that Rockne was. That's how big his sphere of influence was," Lefebvre said. "And so when he wrote something in one of his columns or one of his books, it was gospel and it was followed."

Lefebvre said he wrote a biography of Knute Rockne because he wanted to preserve the memory of a legendary man and football coach.

"It's important to tell his story to newer generations who may only know of him through the speech in 'Rudy.' There is so much more to his life and his story," Lefebvre said.

"Coach for a Nation: The Life and Times of Knute Rockne" is available at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore and online at coachforanation.com

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The lab, which consists of researchers, engineers, technicians and local high school students, develops and improves the components and readout system of the CMS's hadron calorimeter, which measures the collisions of particles such as protons and neutrons, according to Karmgard.

"What we've been doing down at the lab for the past several years and what we continue to do is to test new materials to see if they transmit light better," Karmgard said. "We're testing these new electronics to see if they work as well as we think they should, and the detectors [such as] the dayto-day monitoring of the detector while it's running, which requires 24-hour shifts," Brinkerhoff said. "We all took shifts at one point or another while we were at CERN. The main reason to go over there is that you really have to be on the ground in the building, right over top of the detector while you're monitoring everything that's going on."

The LHC, which runs continuously for months at a time, is currently shut off and awaiting improvements that will allow it to operate at full capacity, Jessop said. This allows the different subsets of the investigation group to continue working on the other aspects of the project, such as testing new materials, finalizing data analysis and planning future investigations. "There are two purposes [of the continuing research]," Jessop said. "One is to precisely measure the Higgs boson, because that potentially tells us even more about these other new particles, and also to search for these other new particles that we think will be there. And if we discover these particles, it might be an even bigger discovery than the Higgs boson, which is a big discovery in itself."

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how they [could] work better,"

Most of the rest of the grant money will support graduate students, who split time between CERN and Notre Dame and do much of the data analysis that produces findings such as the Higgs boson, as well as the ground work that keeps the CSM running.

Graduate student Andrew Brinkerhoff, who studies the properties of decaying Higgs boson particles, said to get the data, each part of the detector must operate correctly, which requires the efforts of hundreds of students.

"It kind of breaks down into two pieces. One is the design and operations of different parts of

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The NCAA argument

Mike Ginocchio News Writer

I don't know if you have heard, but there has been an awful lot of discussion lately about the current state of college athletics. Depending on who you're talking to, the NCAA is either a gigantic, money-guzzling and power-hungry monstrosity that rakes in billions of dollars on the backs of its athletes, or is an aged institution that has the right intentions but just needs a little bit of tweaking.

Whatever your opinion may be, the fact of the matter is that after years of pretending this isn't happening, it has now become common to discuss the various problems within the NCAA. So naturally, that means conversation will bring forth discussion, and discussion will bring about suggestions and suggestions will turn into reform. Right? But what if it doesn't?

This past weekend, a couple of players for Northwestern, Georgia and Georgia Tech took the field having deliberately marked up their uniforms in a form of good old-fashioned exercising of their first amendment rights. Either on their wristbands or on their shoes or ankles, the players had scratched "APU," or "All Players United." The National College Players Association, an advocacy group that is pushing for NCAA reform, conceived the idea. According to the group's website, their primary goals are showing support for players who joined concussion suits against the NCAA, standing behind individual players who are being "harmed by NCAA's rules," and to "demonstrate unity among college athletes and fans in favor of NCAA reform."

It certainly isn't about the players. All of this talk about college football reform is going absolutely nowhere. I imagine that they would all be able to unite under an idea pretty easily enough. They know what it's like to play the sport and make the choices they've made. It's everyone else that makes it difficult.

In the end, it never goes any deeper than those surface-level arguments. And that's the biggest problem. Because the truth is there is a growing amount of evidence that the NCAA needs to start changing its ways. But that change isn't going to be simple. It's going to take time, nuance and the admittance that compromise is vital in order to make anything improve and last longer. If an institution that's been around as long as the NCAA is going to make a fundamental change in its operations, it's going to need to be convinced by a collective voice of people all unified in their goals and suggestions. Otherwise, we're going to be stuck listening to talk radio and sports hosts filling up airtime with vapid arguments about the system for the next 20 years.

Where do we go from here?

Caleb Cobbin Viewpoint Columnist

I opened my email to another message of sexual assault and again, I sat flabbergasted at yet another affront to human dignity that occurred within this Notre Dame community. I must say that my heart goes out to the women and men who feel that their power was taken away from them in a horrible way.

I dare you not to cringe when I tell you, according to the Office of Alcohol and Drug Education website, "One out of every four-to-five woman are assaulted on campuses each year." This, my friends, is too much.

When discussing this with a friend, she said something that made me think hard about this issue. "For every one report of sexual assault," she said, "there are probably 10 or more incidents that have not been reported." This breaks my heart.

I do realize this is speculation and I do not have concrete evidence to support this statistic, but I do know at least three girls who have had unwanted sexual contact during my time here at Notre Dame and have not reported it — one as recently as this past weekend. This, unfortunately, is a reality overlooked. But, why?

I thought about the Notre Dame "hook-up" culture, how overly hormonal men who, because of parietals, have a limited amount of time to "get with" a girl they meet at a party. That somehow our system of residential life may actually be the clandestine culprit of the pain and confusion of many victims on campus. But I threw this idea aside.

The issue of sexual assault is not just a Notre Dame issue, but also an issue that plagues the whole of college culture, and while residential life may play a factor, ultimately, based on statistics, these things would still occur.

We are taught that this topic is extremely relevant, that sexual assault and rape can happen to anyone and that often times the perpetrator is not some creepy guy in an alley, but acquaintances or friends, people the victim can identify. Yet there is some intangible factor, some disconnect. We know rape and sexual assault is bad, but where do we go from there?

Well, this column, I hope, is a start. We have to talk about it.

"Honestly, I don't think any punishment or administrative policy is really going to change the hearts of others," my friend who was mentioned earlier continued. "It has to start with the students."

The prayer service was a great idea, but it can't stop there. We as a student body cannot be afraid to openly talk and support the people involved in this issue. Public talks and support groups, weekly visits to the grotto, forums, classes and anything that presents the facts and shows no matter how much we ignore the signs — these things are happening everyday and more importantly we want change.

Moreover, other students and witnesses have to be willing to respond when they see inappropriate behavior, for often it is our inactions that cause destruction more so than our overt actions.

Lastly, to the victims of any sexual assault, rape or harassment, especially those within this community (students of Notre Dame, Saint Mary's or Holy Cross) know that even though I may not know you, I am walking with you. I am praying for you. And I refuse to be silent.

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VIEWPOINT

American credibility at home

John Sandberg Sandman's Musing

There's a reason why they don't let writers run the U.S. State Department.

Thinking all diplomatic options had been exhausted, I argued two weeks ago that the U.S. had no choice but to intervene in the crisis in Syria with missile strikes against Bashar al-Assad's regime ("Action and clarity needed on Syria," Sept. 9). I said it was the lesser of a multitude of bad options. Without making an intervention, America's credibility as a world leader would be seriously weakened.

Just a few hours after my column had been emailed off to my editor, the news broke that the U.S. had agreed with Russia on a plan to rid Syria of its chemical weapons and avert an immediate U.S. strike.

If you read that column, it should come as no surprise that I was relieved diplomacy had won out over military action.

Still, while the U.S. has found an alternative to missile strikes in Syria, the original issue of its credibility on the world's stage remains as great of a test as ever. And this week, as Congressional Republicans and Democrats debate on increasing the debt limit and flirt with a possible government shutdown, we see another critical component of that test.

So far neither side has budged. There are still eight days left to come to a compromise on the debt limit and avert a government shutdown, an eternity in the context of Washington theatre. Some Republicans are determined to defund the Affordable Care Act and ultimately move forward with legislation to delay the implementation of Obamacare for one year in exchange for raising the debt limit for the next year. Democrats are so far unwilling to concede on either the defunding or delayed implementation of the health care law.

By now the politics of the debate are well-known. Republicans say the Affordable Care Act is a costly and unpopular law. Perhaps they're right about this. Democrats say the Affordable Care Act is the law of the land and an attempt to sabotage the budget by insisting on defunding or delaying the law is both irresponsible and impossible. Perhaps they're right as well.

What neither side takes into proper consideration are the wider implications of a shutdown.

Yes, the stock market will take a nasty hit. Yes, Americans will bear witness to another example of a broken government. This much is obvious.

But what does it say about a country that is the active leader in international relations, yet its leaders at home are unable to execute on the fundamental issues of government?

Against the backdrop of instability abroad, America now faces a critical test of its credibility at home.

It's time for moderate, responsible leaders to take over in Washington and pass the test. Both parties share this responsibility, but on the current budget fight, I'm looking for leaders to rise up in the Republican Party.

The problem so far is that moderate Republican voices have not been as audible or convincing as those of extremists like Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Tex. and Sen. Mike Lee, R-Utah, who are calling for a government shutdown unless a continuing resolution is passed that cuts off funding for the Affordable Care Act.

Responsible Republican senators such as Sen. Pat Toomey, R-Penn. and Sen. Bob Corker, R-Tenn. have laid out the issue clearly. They are no less opposed to Obamacare than are Republicans calling for its immediate defunding. But when your party only controls one-third of the federally-elected government (as Republicans do with the House), your party is not going to get everything it wants.

A government shutdown on Oct. 1 is too high of a cost to pay for trying (and inevitably failing) to repeal the law now. Fund the government now, moderate Republicans say, and go to work on repealing the specific, problematic provisions of the Affordable Care Act over the next couple years, a strategy that begins by gaining Republican seats in Congress in 2014.

This is party leadership. This is what needs to be done now to maintain America's credibility in the eyes of the world, not to mention the credibility of the Republican Party.

Extremism does not result in effective government. It never has and it never will. In the end, it will only damage America's credibility even further.

My hope now is that it doesn't take a government shutdown for some lawmakers to realize this.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Praying for the Irish

I have the pleasure of serving as President of Farley Hall, so I participate in a lot of walkovers, dorm events, pep rallies, performances, discussions, etc. About 60 Farley Hall members walked to the first Pep Rally and in April, 125 of the Finest walked to support two residents as they shaved their heads for The Bald and The Beautiful.

Sunday night, I was part of a Farley walkover to the prayer service hosted by student government to pray for healing in light of the recent sexual assaults reported on campus. Nine Farley residents attended.

While this is just the example from Farley, I believe it is a phenomenon present throughout all of the undergraduate halls. We are all ready to dive in headfirst to the fun things going on around campus. Most of us spent all Saturday tailgating and cheering for the Irish. Yet, at a 30-minute prayer service addressing deep wounds in our student body, there were approximately 100 people in attendance.

One hundred out of 8,000. Less than two percent of our student body took time to pray together for our brothers and sisters in Notre Dame affected by sexual assault. As both student body vice president Nancy Joyce and Fr. Pete McCormick said at this service, as Notre Dame students we hold ourselves to a higher standard. As Notre Dame students, we sign on to do more than average, agreeing to be present and supportive of our fellow students.

If there is another sexual assault reported on campus, there will be another prayer service. Student body president Alex Coccia and Nancy have promised us this.

I hope to see more of you there. I hope you will hold yourself to the Notre Dame standard. I hope you will realize that you do have time and that the 30 minutes you might spend on a Huddle Run or a round of Super Smash could be spent in prayer with and for your Notre Dame family.

You do have time. You take time to cheer for the Irish. Please, step up and take the time to pray for the Irish.

> **Kathleen Clark** junior Farley Hall Sept. 24

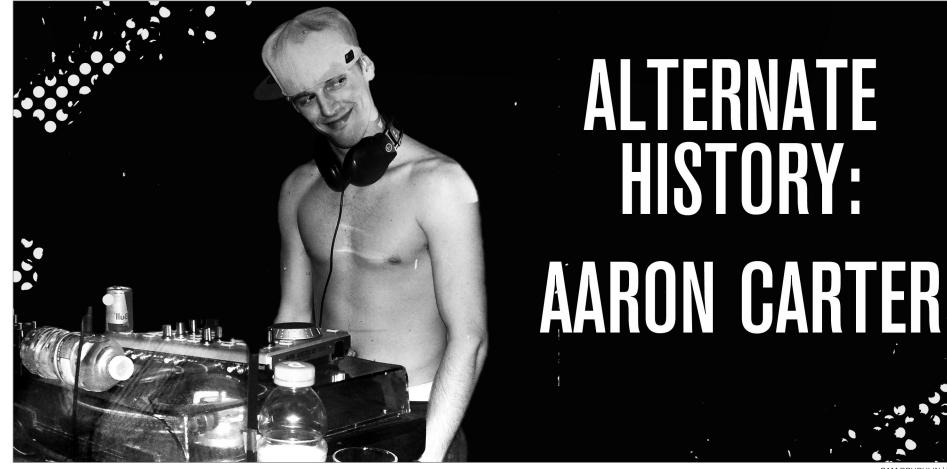


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SAM COUGHLIN | The Observe



Kevin Noonan Scene Editor

"If Aaron Carter can do it, anybody can do it." — Kobe Bryant, shortly after the release of "That's How I Beat Shaq, spurring his Walter Whiteesque spiral from supporting player on Shaquille O'Neill's NBA championship Los Angeles Lakers to his eventual blackhat fate as the one-legged anchor of the most embarrassing Lakers performances since Rick Fox's acting career.

There's a little known branch of academia known as "alternate history," that contemplates the long-term effects on history if certain events, seemingly crucial or not, had turned differently.

The most well-known example is probably the question, "What if the Allies had lost World War II?"

But the rabbit hole of reimagination goes much deeper (and much less morose) than that.

Aaron Carter performs at Club Fever tonight at 6 p.m., the conclusive end to a trail of dominos over 13 years long that began with his release of the first single off his second album and ends tonight with a roaring, likely legendary show at Club Fever.

But what if on Aug. 1, 2000, Aaron Carter and his label, Jive Records, decided not to release the single which launched into international fame and adoration of eight-year-old girls everywhere, "Aaron's Party (Come Get It)?" What if the song never existed?

Well, let's start with the obvious — he probably doesn't get famous. Sure, with that style, that flow and those moves we saw in the "Aaron's Party (Come Get It)" video, he probably still would have achieved some sort of fame. How could he not? Seriously, go watch the video; his flow makes the Notre Dame Men's Lacrosse team look like a bunch of balding mid-40s car salesmen.

But without that song, we never get the video. And without the video, we never see him in full effect as the child star that he truly was and he never experiences the kind of explosive popularity that he had when was 13-years-old.

Kardashian, and the most unfamous celebrity couple of our generation never hits the tabloids.

BUT WAIT. The plot thickens.

If Aaron Carter never hits the meteoric fame that resulted from "Aaron's Party (Come Get It)," his family never gets their very own E! Network reality show, "House of Carters," in 2006. The show was, by most accounts, less than a resounding success, and was cancelled after one season.

But the idea of the kooky family based reality show took off within the network itself leading to the premiere watershed series of American reality television history in 2007, "Keeping Up with the Kardashians."

Kim Kardashian has, in addition to a few mitigating circumstances, Aaron Carter to thank for her fame. And if Kim Kardashian never gets famous — oh man, I can't even wrap my head around that one. But let's take a shot at it, at least on one level.

If Kim Kardashian never gets famous, in addition to any number of effects she's had on the fashion, television and tabloid industries, she never enters Kanye West's inner circle, shaping his music and inspiring such instant classic lyrics as ... well, we can't print any of them, but the long and short of it is Kanye's latest album, "Yeezus," likely sounds quite a bit different.

It may even open the gate for Kanye to release an entirely different kind of album. Maybe in the years he would have been dating Kim Kardashian he instead gets dumped by someone and his ego takes a hit. Okay, the ego thing wouldn't have happened, but at the very least, he never releases the polarizing "Yeezus," thus depriving the world of the knowledge that he is, in fact, a god.

But the fun doesn't stop there either.

Let's take a step back for a minute. Dwyane Wade and the Heat don't win the 2006 NBA championship. Therefore Miami doesn't become the same kind of destination for every star willing to illegally collaborate behind the scenes to manufacture a championship contender.

The effects are more far-reaching than you might think. Take the example in italics at the top of the story that I made up.

If Kobe never hears "Aaron's Party," then he never buys the album at Best Buy at midnight on the first day it's released and never hears "That's How I Beat Shaq," and never realizes that boom, put it in the hoop like slam, hear the crowd scream jam and that's how you beat Shaq.

Kobe never develops a Macbeth complex against Shaq, and instead of forcing Shaq out after the Lakers' loss in the 2004 NBA Finals, Kobe goes out of his way to solidify his friendship with the future Hall of Fame center, and the duo go on to lead the Lakers to at least four more Finals championships and leave the league both legends and friends alike.

That, like most friendship and happy things, however, is boring. More interesting is the crushing and depressing blow this deals to the city of Miami. Since the Lakers don't trade Shaq to the Miami Heat for a couple bums and Lamar Odom, Dwyane Wade and the Heat don't win the 2006 NBA Finals championship.

Lamar Odom never moves to Los Angeles, never meets Khloe

You ready for this, Cleveland?

If Aaron Carter never releases "Aaron's Party (Come Get It)," LeBron James keeps his talents in Cleveland in 2010, and recruits fellow free agents Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh to come with him. Even better, Chris Bosh goes to some other contender on the downswing and continues his career arc into irrelevance it was on before he went to Miami, and they convince Dwight Howard to get out of his Orlando contract in 2011 and join them in the town that God forgot.

And since the Cleveland Cavaliers are the best team in the NBA and perennial championship winners, the city of Cleveland benefits from new investment and business opportunities, changing the city from the butt of jokes from every sports fan and city dweller in America into one of the premiere metropolises in the world.

America moves it's capitol from Washington D.C. to Cleveland, and the rest of the country is forced to hear about Cleveland and its goings on on a nearly daily basis.

So, long story short, thank god Aaron Carter got famous.

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AARON CARTER AT FEVER AIN'T NOBODY DO IT LIKE AARON CAN



Ann Marie Jakubowski Scene Writer

I hear "Aaron Carter" and the name resurrects memories of my eight-year-old self hooked into a Walkman, listening to the then-13-year-old pop star with the bleached blond hair, bopping around stage, swearing he was "tellin' me the facts" in his chart-topping hit "That's How I Beat Shaq."

The album "Aaron's Party (Come Get It)" had a couple more gems, including that unforgettably profound refrain "I want candy" in the song with the same title. Back then, I assumed it referred only to the junk-food aisle at the supermarket and not anything romantic, but I found it moving nonetheless.

Carter is slotted to perform at South Bend's Club Fever at 6 p.m. tonight as part of his comeback tour after eight years off. In a phone interview Friday, he promised fans would hear "all the good old songs," including his personal favorite hit "Aaron's Party." Which, coincidentally, still has a place in my iTunes library.

"Of course I'll play the old stuff, oh yeah, absolutely," Carter said. "Yeah, that's a given. I can't not do that. The show will be a little bit of cover music, a little bit of old music and a bit of new stuff as well."

The eight years that have passed since he first smack-talked NBA legends changed his performing style (and the pitch of his voice), but Carter said he's back on tour with one main goal - reconnecting with his fans after the hiatus.

"That's what brings me all over right now on my tours," he said. "You know, I haven't been on tour in, like, eight years, so I'm just trying to get back

screaming girls too."

Carter said he "hopped right on tour" after his run with "The Fantasticks" ended so his fans could have the chance to see him as he is now instead of maintaining that image of him performing as a child star.

"I don't want my fans to expect me to be 12 anymore, because that's not the case, you know?" he said. "I'm not 12, I'm not 15 anymore. I'm going to be 26 at the end of the year.

"Fortunately, I've always been able to transition with my fans because a lot of them grew up with me too. I started performing when I was six, and then I did two albums in my teenage years and now it's time to make a transition in my adulthood."

Carter at his peak was a child star at the level of Lindsay Lohan and Hilary Duff (both of whom he dated, coincidentally), the predecessor of today's Justin Biebers and Miley Cyruses. He listed songs by Daft Punk, Robin Thicke's "Blurred Lines" and Bruno Mars' "Treasure" as some of his favorite current music and said he "couldn't wait" to perform in South Bend tonight.

Ironically, although some might say I'm "too old" to be an AC fan, I'm still too young to be allowed into Club Fever for the concert. I'll have to live vicariously through the minions that will undoubtedly pack the club, so if nothing else, just go because you know your eight-year-old self would have.

Doors open tonight at Club Fever in South Bend at 6 p.m. Tickets can be purchased online at ticketmaster.com or at the door tomorrow for \$15.

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AARON CARTER PLAYLIST 🕨

You may not have heard Aaron Cater in a few (13) years, but that doesn't mean he's gone out of existence. It does mean that most of the hits you remember him for are what you can expect to hear tonight.



"Aaron's Party (Come Get It)" Aaron Carter



"That's How I Beat Shaq" Aaron Carter



"Jump Jump" Aaron Carter

into it and see everybody."

He wouldn't say he's spent the past eight years off the radar, though. He and his brothers starred in the 2006 E! Network reality show "House of Carters" and in 2009, he took fifth place in "Dancing with the Stars." From Oct. 2011 until Feb. 2013, he starred in the off-Broadway play "The Fantasticks" in New York City.

"I did 'The Fantasticks' for, like, over 400 performances," Carter said. "I was the lead and it was a love story. It was awesome; it was fun doing it. It was definitely challenging, but it strengthened my vocals and helped me as a performer overall."

Performing in a theater is "a much different world" than the pop concert venue, he said.

"In Broadway plays, people go in and they sit down and they clap for you, you know? It's not, like, screaming and throwing stuff on stage," he said. "It was definitely something to adapt to, but I didn't really want to become completely acclimated to it because I like performing for

Aaron Carter Club Fever

When: Doors open at 6 p.m.

How Much: \$15 at the door

Tracks You Might Know: "Aaron's Party (Come Get It)," "I Want Candy," "That's How I Beat Shaq"

If you like: Teen stars from the late 90s and early 2000s, also known as Aaron Carter





"Try to Remember" From the musical "The Fantasticks"





"Dance with Me" Aaron Carter feat. Flo Rida

SPORTS AUTHORITY

Breaking down **Dress-Up Day**



Vicky Jacobsen

A mature baseball fan would use this space to discuss the remaining playoff races or the final home game for Yankees legends Mariano Rivera and Andy Pettitte.

Sports Writer

But I'm a 21-year-old whose happiness rests largely on the pitching arm of Jon Lester. I mostly subsist on a diet of Teddy Grahams. In short, I'm not writing about any of the important or relevant issues in Major League Baseball.

Instead, I'll focus on the extraordinarily juvenile (but let's face it, highly entertaining) tradition of Rookie Dress-Up Day.

This is the day when the veteran players on each team kick off the final road trip of the year by stealing the rookies' clothes and replacing them with horrifying costumes. In these closing days of the regular season, even the Milwaukee residents who long ago gave up on the Brewers season can share a laugh with Braves fans, who have a playoff spot locked up and most likely spent their Sunday tuned into the NFL instead.

If you've ever wondered what Detroit Tigers shortstop Jose Iglesias would look like if he were forced to wear a Tinker Bell costume, wonder no longer. Could Mike Trout pull off a Lady Gaga get-up? The definitive answer: No. (That was in 2011. In September of his breakout 2012 season, he was simply made to dress up as a baby.)

The 2012 Yankees rookies each dressed as a "Star Wars" character. (Judging by the quality of Darth Vader and Chewbacca costumes procured for the occasion, it appears that the Yankees not only have the highest payroll in the league, but also the highest budget for pranks and other frivolity).

In the absence of strong and organized veteran leadership, some classes of rookies end up in a mismatch of ill-fitting Halloween costumes or brightlycolored Speedos, which is really too bad (for both the rookies and anyone who has the misfortune of spotting them while they travel to their next destination). But the teams that really do it right force their rookies into matching costumes. The ringleaders of this escapade in light hazing can honor their location — the San Francisco Giants decided that a visit to New York was a perfect excuse for Naked Cowboy-themed dress-up day. Last fall, Washington Nationals veterans tipped their caps to the recent London Olympics, dressing up Bryce Harper and his fellow rookies as the gold medalwinning women's gymnastics

team for the train ride from D.C. to New York (whether their fellow Amtrak passengers were amused or not, I can't say).

Now, this is not a time-honored tradition. (Don't go looking for pictures of Derek Jeter's rookie dress-up day, he escaped what is now a rite of passage).

As best I can tell, it's the sort of thing made possible by the Internet. Really, there was little reason for forcing the new outfielder into a woman's Halloween costume in the days before photographic evidence of the event could be posted online. Personally, I think it's one of the more entertaining things the Internet has given us.

There are naysayers, of course. For one thing, there are plenty of teams that do a poor job. Last year, the Red Sox had 10 rookie cheerleaders ... and one Dorothy from the Wizard of Oz. Will Middlebrooks looked very out of place in gingham. This year, Boston went with a shirtless-kilt look, which only confirmed that one does not need to have sixpack abs to play major league baseball.

On a serious note, there are executives who find the antics not so funny when their teams are just a game or two from elimination. I don't really understand what they're worried about. Did Angels management truly think wearing a bib for an afternoon would hurt Mike Trout's concentration at the plate the next day, as was rumored last season?

Honestly, these hijinks are part of what fans love about baseball. Winning games is the goal, but when there are 162 contests stretched over the summer there's room for levity and silliness.

An NFL coach would never tolerate this sort of stuff, but that's part of what makes it enjoyable. Football is a game of intensity and focus, of near maniacal attention to detail. All the preparation completed during a week is channeled into three or four hours of ferocity and violence on Sunday afternoon. There's no crying in baseball, but there's not much time for laughing in football. Baseball, on the other hand, has time for mascot races and seventh-inning stretch songs and exchanging of pleasantries at first base. You can still go to a baseball game and get the sense that game was originally intended to be fun. Thank goodness baseball players still remember a little fun can go a long way.

Belles return to The Medalist

By MARY GREEN Sports Writer

SMC GOLF

Saint Mary's will begin the heart of its schedule when it opens MIAA play against Albion today at 1 p.m. at The Medalist Golf Club in Marshall, Mich.

Though the Belles will only compete against the Britons, all nine conference schools will be at the 18-hole jamboree and will be paired to play against one or two other teams. Five golfers will take the course for each squad, with the lowest four scores counting toward the overall total. Belles coach Kim Moore said senior Paige Pollak, junior Janice Heffernan, sophomore Sammie Averill and freshmen Courtney Carlson and Ali Mahoney will hit the links for Saint Mary's in the conferenceopening match.

The Belles played at The Medalist on Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 in the Olivet Labor Day Tee-Off,

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where Saint Mary's took third place out of eight teams.

Moore said her team's recent trip may help but the familiarity does not necessarily create an advantage over Albion, who did not compete in the Olivet tournament.

"I think we definitely have some familiarity with most of our players at that course," Moore said. "I think the majority of teams in our conference have played that course, so I wouldn't say it would be an advantage. But it is nice to be able to know the layouts and know the holes."

The Britons played at The Medalist the weekend of Sept. 6 at the Olivet Invitational, in which the Belles did not compete, so this match marks the first head-to-head play between the two teams this season.

Sophomore Celine McClimans leads Albion, which last played Friday at the Scottie Invitational in Alma, Mich., where the team finished in fourth place out of four teams. McClimans shot an 88 in that tournament, the team's low benchmark for the season.

With the Britons improving as their season progresses, Moore said it is important for the Belles to keep getting better with each tournament as well.

"I'm looking forward to the team playing well," she said. "I think it'll be definitely nice if we do win, but I'm looking for a more overall team performance, and if that's a win, great, and if that's second place, third place, fourth place, that's great, too."

Saint Mary's will take the course against Albion today in the conference-opener at 1 p.m. at The Medalist Golf Club in Marshall, Mich.

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Squad battles Hope to draw, preps for Albion

By A.J. GODEAUX Sports Writer

Saint Mary's seems to have gotten the wake-up call coach Michael Joyce said it needed, playing undefeated Hope to a 1-1 draw in double overtime Saturday at home.

"I think the [4-0 loss Sept. 14 against] Alma showed us what not to do," Joyce said. "We focused in practice and were able to stick to our game against Calvin [on Wednesday in a double-overtime, 0-0 tie]. Against Hope, we got even sharper. We're headed in the right direction now for sure."

The Flying Dutch (7-0-1, 4-0-1 MIAA) had come into the matchup on a seven-game-winning streak to start their season, having outscored their first four conference opponents 13- inside the near post to tie the score of 11-1, the Belles cannot 2. Hope got off to a quick start against the Belles, scoring in the sixth minute off a corner kick to take a 1-0 lead. Saint Mary's (2-4-2, 0-2-2) came right back, though, with multiple opportunities to equalize during the first half. In the 29th minute, junior forward Kelly Wilson had a look inside the 18-yard box, but her shot trickled by the far post. Senior captain and midfielder Mollie Valencia followed up with another scoring chance in the 37th minute, but her free kick from

just outside the 18 sailed over the crossbar.

Coming out of halftime, Saint Mary's controlled possession but was unable to capitalize on any chances until the 56th minute when, on what was already the Belles third corner kick of the half, senior forward Kaitlin Teichman drilled a low cross into the box. Freshman defender Emily Rompola snuck a shot

"Against Hope, we got even sharper. We're headed in the right direction now for sure."

Michael Joyce Belles coach

finished with only two saves a total dwarfed by the 13 shots she stopped against Calvin on Wednesday — but Joyce was still impressed with her play in goal.

"Chanler is on top of her game for sure," Joyce said. "She's been spectacular. Our defenders were outstanding, too, especially [juniors] Mary Kate [Hussey] and Kerry Green. ... We're finally back to where we were last year defensively, just took a little longer than we wanted."

The Belles now turn their attention to their matchup Tuesday against what Joyce called a "much improved" Albion squad. Joyce said although Saint Mary's is coming off a challenging portion of the schedule and it defeated Albion twice last season by a combined

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match at one.

Saint Mary's continued to control possession for the remainder of the second half. Still, other than a dangerous cross from Belles sophomore forward Maggie Wenzel in the 57th minute that was left untouched, both teams went quietly into overtime.

Despite facing six shots in the extra time, Belles junior goalkeeper Chanler Rosenbaum and the rest of the Saint Mary's defensive unit held firm until the final whistle. Rosenbaum

take the Britons (2-6-0, 0-5-0) lightly. "It will be a challenge for our

players to forget last year and be ready for a solid opponent," Joyce said. "I expect us to come out with the same intensity we left the Hope game with."

The Britons are coming off a 5-1 loss to Calvin on Saturday.

Saint Mary's and Albion take the field Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. at Albion.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL | HOPE 3, SAINT MARY'S 0; CALVIN 3, SAINT MARY'S 0

Belles fall to Hope and Calvin

By MIKE GINOCCHIO Sports Writer

The Belles faced one of their toughest stretches of the season this weekend when they took on the two top-ranked teams in the country.

Despite a strong effort, the Belles (5-8, 3-4 MIAA) dropped both matches, first losing to the

sets (25-9, 25-16, 25-20) on Friday before dropping their match to the Calvin College Knights in three sets (25-13, 25-15, 25-16) on Saturday.

In the first set against Hope (14-1, 5-1), the Dutch raced to a 16-6 lead, eventually taking the first set 25-9. During this set, the Dutch had 15 kills on 25 attempts

Hope College Dutch over three with no errors. The Belles were unable to mount a comeback.

> The second set also featured Hope running to an early lead, this time jumping up 8-2. However, the Belles fought back behind the play of junior middle hitter Taylor Etzell, sophomore outside hitter Katie Hecklinski, and a Hope error to bring the score to 11-9. However, the Dutch would rally back to score seven of the next nine points on their way to taking the second set 25-16.

> The third set featured the Belles jumping to a 6-0 lead, forcing Hope to burn an early timeout. The Belles extended their lead to 7-1, but Hope would respond with an eight-point run to go up 9-7. Behind this turnaround, the Dutch would take the set 25-20 and the match 3-0. Highlights for the Belles included Hecklinski and junior outside hitter Kati Schneider tallying four kills each, junior libero Meredith Mersits compiling 10 digs, and freshman setter Clare McMillan contributing 10 assists.

Against Calvin, the Belles again found themselves in an OF KENESEY | The Observer early hole when the Knights hitter Sept. 18, 2012. Hecklinski had four kills against Hope on Friday. jumped to a 9-3 lead in the first

set Saturday. Calvin had a blistering .462 attack percentage to the Belles' .062, and would take the set 25-13.

In the second set, the Belles would break a 5-5 tie with a fourpoint run to take an early 9-5 lead. After a Knights (14-0, 6-0) timeout, however, Calvin rattled off 10 of the next 12 points to go up 15-11. After the Belles added one more, the Knights grabbed a six-point spurt before cruising to a 25-15 split.

In the third set, the Belles again refused to back down and took an early 4-1 lead. After the set was tied at 4-4 and again at 6-6, Calvin hit a five-point streak that ended up with them claiming the final set 25-16.

Against the Knights, Schneider stood out with 15 kills and 10 digs for her ninth double-double of the year. McMillan added 24 assists, and Mersits chipped in 10 digs for the Belles.

The Belles resume play Wednesday, when they host the Manchester Spartans at 7 p.m.

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par 74 in his first round and a one-above par 72 in his second round.

Freshman Blake Barens led the Irish going into the second round with a score of 72, yet fell behind substantially after scoring a 10-above-par 81 in the second round. Barens had trouble on the 10th hole, shooting a double-bogey.

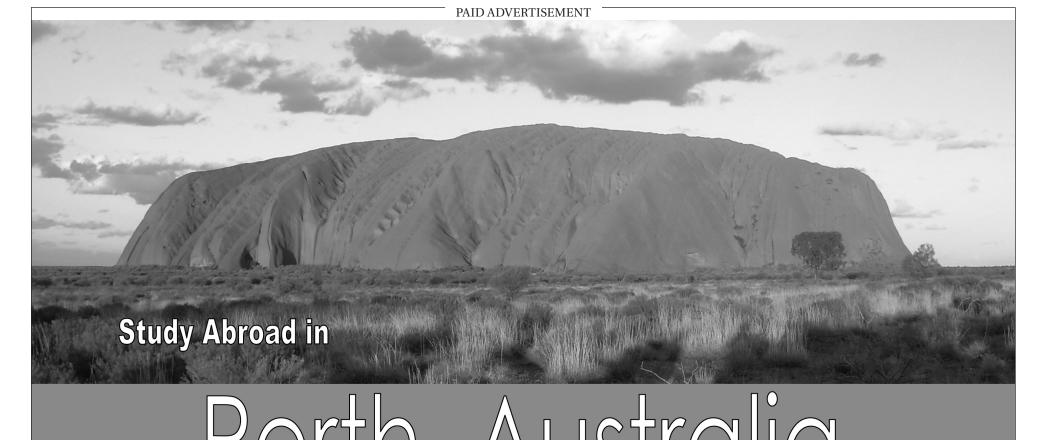
"Blake [Barens] has great ability," Kubinski said. "He simply needs a little more experience, to improve his ability to stay confident and positive regardless of results."

Although the Irish are currently sitting in sixth place, Kubinski said the team is not far out of the running.

"We're only 10 [strokes] out of second [place], so a strong round tomorrow will make for a successful week," Kubinski said. "The Irish just need to come into the round feeling comfortable in the environment. The talent is on our roster."

The Irish will continue competing in the Fighting Irish Gridiron Classic on Tuesday on Warren Golf Course, starting with a tee time of 9 a.m.

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Belles sophomore Katie Hecklinski blocks a shot from a Kalamazoo

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MEN'S GOLF

Irish hang in sixth



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Irish freshman Matt Rushton sizes up a putt in yesterday's Fighting Irish Gridiron Classic. Rushton leads Notre Dame at two over par.

By MEREDITH KELLY Sports Writer

The Irish finished a sunny first day of the Fighting Irish Gridiron Classic in sixth place on their home course with a score of 585.

Houston University leads after Day One with a score of 565, followed by Georgia Southern with a score of 575 and Michigan State with a score of 578. Other teams participating in the Fighting Irish Gridiron Classic include Yale, College of Charleston and Davidson College.

Freshman Matt Rushton leads the Irish with a total score of 144. On the par-71 Warren Course, Rushton shot a three-above par 74 in his first round, and a one-below par 70 in his second round. Rushton is currently tied for 15th place.

"Matthew [Rushton] continues to impress. He seems perfectly comfortable competing in a very competitive environment," Irish coach Jim Kubinski said.

Junior Patrick Grahek and Senior Niall Platt are tied for 19th. They both shot a total score of 146.

Grahek, who is competing as an individual golfer, shot a onebelow par 70 in his first round and a five-above par 76 in his second round. Because Grahek is golfing as an individual, his scores will not count toward the overall Irish team score.

Platt shot a three-above

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Moving forward, the Irish will match up against an Oklahoma offense averaging 490.3 yards per game, good for 24th in the nation. The following week, Notre Dame squares off with Arizona State. The Sun Devils are 43rd in the country with 469.3 yards of offense per game. Kelly said getting consistency from his defense each week now becomes a product of competition play. That's how you evolve into November, where everybody, all 11, are fitting the plays correctly each and every time."

Specifically, Kelly noted that junior inside linebacker Jarrett Grace played a strong game Saturday. Grace got his first start of the season against the Spartans and responded with eight tackles, tied for the most on the team. Graduate student inside linebacker Carlo Calabrese also finished with eight stops, and fellow graduate student inside linebacker Dan Fox — who started the first three games alongside Calabrese — tallied three tackles.

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just movement from our midfield back to me and Morgan getting in and doing her job. It wasn't a personal achievement; it was about taking it to them as a team."

In addition to her assists, Von Rueden is also a vital cog in an Irish defense that coach Randy Waldrum has called one of his best ever. Through eight games, Notre Dame has allowed only four goals and posted four shutouts.

"We play as a team," Von Rueden said. "We're not a backline of individuals. If anyone messes up, there's always someone there to cover for her. Everyone is very supportive, and we just focus on the game plan our coaches give us. Really, we move together as a line, and that's what helps us defend well."

As good as Von Rueden and her teammates are on the field, they are just as close off it. One need not look further than the team Twitter and Facebook pages, which are full of their antics, for confirmation.

"Everyone gets along great, on and off the field," Von Rueden said. "On the field, we hold each other accountable, but off it, back in the locker room, everyone gets along and it's really fun to hang out. I think that strong team chemistry is definitely something you need to compete on a high level."

Individually, the Mequon, Wisc., native has been a regular on youth national squads since she was 14. Von Rueden's ultimate goal for her soccer career is to make the women's senior national team.

For now, Von Rueden spends her summers playing in the Elite Clubs National League, one of the top youth club soccer leagues in the country.

"It's high competition against other clubs around the nation that have extremely good players," Von Rueden said. "It fuels me to get better and helps me to improve on things I need to work on. It's very important so I can keep the right mindset over the summer and come into the season ready to win right away."

As for the season ahead, Von Rueden doesn't care about personal accolades as long as the team is playing for another title.

"I'd like to lead the team in assists again," Von Rueden said. "But really what we all want is to win the national championship, obviously."

Von Rueden and the Irish next play Thursday at 7 p.m. at Alumni Stadium against Maryland.

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among the players.

"Well, I think you can point and say, 'This is the player that will play for us,'" Kelly said. "The kind of player we saw on Saturday, that guy will play for us. The other guy will stand on the sideline. You clearly have video evidence of what we expect from you. This is the way you need to play on a play in, play out basis."

Despite the improvements Saturday, Kelly said the reliability on both sides of the ball is still not where it needs to be.

"Yeah, the team is just evolving," he said. "What we were struggling with was playing 60 plays really well and a half-dozen plays not so well. I think we're getting closer to playing every player and every Grace currently leads the Irish with 28 total tackles, one more than Fox and two more than Calabrese.

"He's just got natural linebacker instincts," Kelly said of Grace. "It's a position that he's familiar with. He just fits it very well in terms of run, ricocheted into his fits. ... You can watch three or four plays and you can see that's a natural position for him."

The Irish play host to the Sooners on Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at Notre Dame Stadium.

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Cavanaugh

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Samantha Flores consistently finding receivers freshman Aly Anton and junior Olivia Dietzel. The Chaos (0-1-0) struggled in the red zone, however, where Flores threw two interceptions, including the decisive pick by Harmon.

According to senior captain and linebacker Meaghan Ayers, Cavanaugh needs to work on its communication and chemistry.

"I think it's really just learning to play together, getting used to each other," she said. "We have a little bit of a young team, so we'll get there, I think, and we have a lot of strengths we'll build upon as the season goes on."

Both teams play again Tuesday night, when the Chaos face Badin, and the Weasels set their sights on a second victory against rival Pasquerilla East.

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Pangborn 28, Walsh 0

By ALEXANDRA LANE Sports Writer

Pangborn made a statement in its opening game against Walsh on Sunday, beating the Wild Women 28-0.

Pangborn's offense, starring junior quarterback Caitlin Gargan, led the team to victory. The Phoxes (1-0-0) scored off of a Gargan run on their first play of the game and never let up.

"We knew what we wanted to do and we came out and executed it," senior Pangborn co-captain Mary Kate Veselik said. Gargan said the extra-point conversions really helped to clinch the win for the Phoxes.

"A lot of times we don't convert after the touchdown and it really comes to bite us," Gargan said. "But today we converted on all of those and it was helpful."

Veselik said the Phoxes' defense was also crucial to the team's victory, recording a shutout in the game.

As the game progressed, Walsh (0-1-0) began to find its stride, and the team came out stronger in the second half. The defense allowed only one touchdown and the offense set up a few scoring opportunities for the Wild Women.

However, the efforts were not enough to make up for the large deficit sustained in the first half.

"I think our starting quarterback did well and our defense played great today, but we need to work on our formations and get our routes down before our next game," Walsh junior co-captain Maggie Fisher said.

Both teams faced quick, one-day turnarounds, as Pangborn took on Welsh Fam last night while Walsh played Ryan at the same time.

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Howard 13, Welsh Family 6

By RENEE GRIFFIN Sports Writer

Howard started off its flag football season on a good note Sunday, defeating Welsh Family 13-6.

Welsh Family (0-1-0) had a quick start, forcing the Ducks (1-0-0) to turn the ball over on downs at the 1-yard line in their first possession. On the first play of the Whirlwinds' ensuing

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possession, sophomore running back Brie Custis scored a long touchdown to put Welsh Family up 6-0.

In the second half, Howard senior quarterback Clare Robinson completed a pass to junior receiver Claire Kozlowski for a touchdown, followed by a Robinson rush for the extra point.

The Ducks then added to their lead with a second Robinson touchdown run near the end of the game following two interceptions by Howard defenders.

Robinson said she attributed the win to team energy and chemistry.

"We've shaped up pretty well," she said. "Every single person on the team played. It was great just to see that there was no one position that belonged to one person. We made the offense and defense work with everyone in every position."

Despite the loss, Welsh Family senior captain Steph Lobaccaro said she is optimistic about the rest of the season.

"Honestly, I think we really did very well," she said. "We had a couple of tough breaks on offense, not connecting with some of the passes. Hopefully for next game, we'll actually get those connections and it'll be really good."

Welsh Family had a quick turnaround, playing Pangborn on Monday, while Howard next plays Walsh on Sunday.

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Lyons 32, Badin 6

By MEGAN WINKEL Sports Writer

In an intense, season-opening

battle, Lyons defeated Badin, 32-7, on Sunday at the LaBar Practice Complex.

The Lions (1-0-0) set the tone from the start when freshman receiver Taylor Sears scored on a 45-yard run. In total, Lyons scored 19 unanswered points in the first half. Lions senior captain Christina Bramanti said the fast start provided a momentum boost.

"We scored right away and everyone just got so excited," Bramanti said. "The fact that we started off the game very strong was huge because we had that momentum going from the beginning and we were never in a position where we had to catch up."

Down by 19, the Bullfrogs (0-1-0) attempted to break Lyons' momentum with a touchdown before halftime. But the Lions answered quickly in the second half, scoring 13 more points to put away Badin.

Sears proved to be a crucial player for the Lions with three interceptions and 18 total points to her name.

"Offensively [Sears] had some great receptions and defensively she had a handful interceptions," Bramanti said. "She went after the ball, never shying away, and took care of business."

While the Bullfrogs had a hard time keeping up with Sears and the rest of the Lions, Badin sophomore quarterback Kristina Techar also said the loss was a result of insufficient practice time.

"The Lions had some really talented girls. We also hadn't really practiced and a lot of the girls that were on offense hadn't really run any of the plays before," Techar said.

Lyons hopes to continue its success Sunday against Pasquerilla West, while Badin attempts to recover against Cavanaugh on Tuesday at Riehle Fields at 7 p.m.

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Pasquerilla East 19, Farley 6

By ERIC RICHELSEN Sports Writer

After a evenly-matched first half, Pasquerilla East was able to pull away and secure a 19-6 victory over Farley on Sunday at the LaBar Practice Complex.

The first half was a battle between the defenses, with both sides holding each other in the red zone on multiple occasions. The Pyros (1-0-0) and the Finest (0-1-0) exchanged drives down the field, only to be stopped by the other. After a scoreless first half left, Pasquerilla East was able to blow open the second half with two big runs from senior running back Kiah Schaefbauer and an interception returned for a touchdown by junior safety Elizabeth Zolper. "In the second half, we got into our rhythm and things started grooving," Pyros senior captain Caroline Kuse said. "Although the score was tied, I was overall confident in our players, our strategy and that the big plays would come with time."

the Finest were unable to capitalize. Zolper, meanwhile, was able to convert her interception off Farley sophomore quarterback Kaitlin Smith's pass into a touchdown, giving the Pyros a swing in momentum.

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Kuse was confident her team's athleticism would provide an advantage.

"We've got a couple of girls who can run like antelope," Kuse said.

Farley mounted a late rally, but the three big plays — Schaefbauer's touchdown runs and Zolper's pick six — were all it took to lead Pasquerilla East to victory. The Finest managed to score a touchdown in the closing moments, but the Pyros held on for the 19-6 win.

Pasquerilla East will look to collect its second victory Tuesday at 7 p.m. against Pasquerilla West at Riehle Fields, while Farley squares off with Badin on Sunday.

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Ryan 40, McGlinn 0

By CORNELIUS McGRATH Sports Writer

In a rivalry game, Ryan overpowered reigning champion McGlinn from the opening kickoff and defeated the Shamrocks, 40-0, on Sunday at the LaBar Practice Complex.

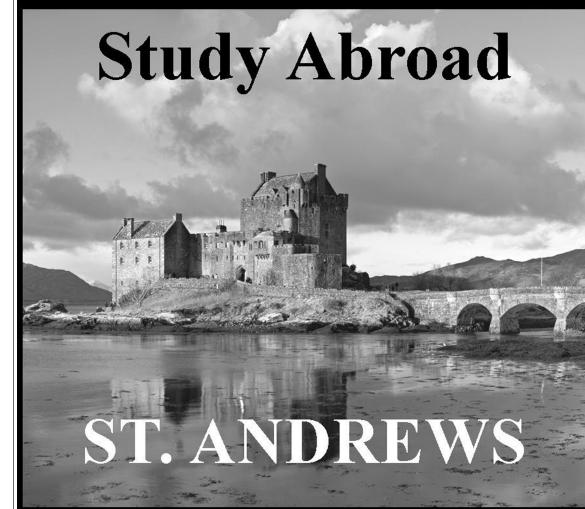
The Wildcats (1-0-0) were firing on all cylinders from the start as they intercepted the ball on McGlinn's first play from scrimmage. Ryan freshman defensive lineman Shawn Hall returned the interception the first of five for the Wildcat defense — for a touchdown.

While McGlinn's offense struggled to put together any sort of drive due to the interceptions, Ryan's offense rolled behind freshman quarterback Kathleen Conaty, who said she impressed even herself in her first game by running for one and passing for another three touchdowns.

"Although I had a few jitters at the beginning of the game, once I had a few plays under my belt I was fine and I am really pleased that we came away with the win," Conaty said.

Wildcats senior captain and offensive lineman Andrea Carlson said she was also very pleased with her team's performance.

"This was a huge game for us today as we lost to McGlinn last year and they went on to win the championship," Carlson said. "So we are feeling very positive about our prospects for the rest of the season." Despite the loss, McGlinn senior co-captain and cornerback Kaitlyn Keelin said she was confident the Shamrocks (0-1-0) could bounce back next game, "We definitely have some stuff to practice on, but we have a really talented group of girls who can play a wide variety of positions, so I'm not concerned," Keelin said. "The transition into the season will just take time."



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Schaefbauer was able to find holes in the defense leading to two touchdown runs of over 30 yards. Farley did intercept a pass, but Ryan hopes to build on its excellent start Monday against Walsh, while McGlinn will try to return to its championship level of play Sunday against Welsh Family.

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Carroll

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However, Carroll struggled on the other side of the ball for the entire game as the Vermin entered the red zone just once. They evened the score on that trip with a field goal.

Two Carroll interceptions thrown in the second half also hindered the Vermin from getting into an offensive rhythm and scoring, with one of those turnovers occurring with less than three minutes left in the fourth quarter.

Fisher junior captain Matthew Nagy said that he was satisfied with how his defense stopped Carroll but knows his team's offense needs to adjust to compete for a championship.

"Our defense was really good," Nagy said. "[Offensively,] I don't think we came out ready to play. Next game we just need to make sure we're ready."

Carroll senior captain Michael Russell said he was proud of the way his team played.

"[We] did a great job stopping the run and holding [Fisher] to three points," Russell said. "The two goal line stands against Fisher's offense was a real big win for us."

Both teams will look to earn their first wins next week when Fisher plays Sorin at 3:30 p.m. at Riehle Fields and Carroll takes on St. Edward's at the same time.

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St. Edward's 15, Zahm 6

By ALEX CARSON Sports Writer

St. Edward's came from behind to defeat Zahm 15-6 in both teams' season-opening contests Sunday.

The Zahmbies (0-1-0) started out the game well, possessing the ball for the entirety of the first quarter en route to a touchdown. Sophomore quarterback Tim Coen racked up 39 passing yards and a touchdown on the opening drive and finished with 101 yards through the air.

After a relatively quiet second quarter, the Gentlemen (1-0-0) came out with all guns blazing in the second half, scoring 15 unanswered points to get the offseason workouts prepared us well and it showed in the second half to get the win."

Zahm captain and senior linesman Joseph Rice said he was pleased with his team's performance despite not picking up the win.

"We played really hard, and after losing our rector last week, we're trying to come out here and give it all we've got to help bring the community together," Rice commented.

St. Edward's will be back in action Sunday against Carroll at Riehle Fields while the Zahmbies are off until Oct. 6 when they play Sorin.

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Dillon 3, Stanford 0

By EVAN ANDERSON Sports Writer

In a game in which yards were at a premium, a firstquarter field goal from freshman Justin Uhlenbrock and a dominant defensive effort spearheaded by freshman linebacker Patrick Toole were enough to push Dillon past Stanford on Sunday, 3-0.

Toole intercepted a pass from Stanford junior quarterback Ryan Prom, sacked him twice and was in the backfield early and often in his interhall debut.

"Before the game we talked about blitzing a lot ... and I like to blitz," Toole said. "The first sack I had might have been the hardest hit I've ever put on a quarterback."

Big Red (1-0-0) senior captain Nathaniel Steele said he was pleased with what he saw out of his defense but was also optimistic that his offense would improve for next week's game.

"We only had the exact minimum number of guys required to play this week and lost a couple of guys to injury," Steele said. "It's going to be very different next weekend, on offense especially."

The Stanford (0-1-0) defense was nearly as stout as Dillon's, and the offense was not without bright spots either. The Griffins got 35 tough yards on 11 carries from sophomore running back Mike Grasso, and Prom linked up with freshman

Siegfried 7, Morrissey 0 By ZACH KLONSINSKI Sports Writer

Siegfried shut down Morrissey on Sunday to earn an opening-week, 7-0 shutout win.

Siegfried (1-0-0) broke a scoreless tie late in the second quarter when freshman running back Luke Joseph capped off a Ramblers drive, finding the end zone from five yards out on a sweep around the left side.

"The offensive line treated me well," Joseph said after the game. "If they keep treating me well, I'll have to get them steak at the end of the year. ... They're awesome."

Morrissey (0-1-0) did not convert a first down in the first half against a smothering Siegfried defense but did manage to find some offensive success in the second half. Junior quarterback Ryan Lindquist and the running game led the first drive of the second half to the Ramblers' 15-yard line. However, the drive eventually ended on a failed quarterback sneak by Lindquist on fourth down.

The Manor converted a thirdand-ten with 1:13 remaining when Lindquist hit junior Tim Cole for an 11-yard strike, but on the next play Ramblers' senior captain and defensive lineman Jack Moore came up with a sack of Lindquist. Lindquist was forced to scramble on fourth-and-ten and threw an incomplete pass with Rambler defenders draped on him.

"It was a good game," Moore said. "Our defense was playing intense, was playing smart. Both teams fought really hard." Morrissey captain and junior offensive lineman Patrick Valencia echoed similar thoughts about the Manor's performance.

"I'm proud of the way our team fought today," Valencia said. "We shot ourselves in the foot a couple of times on offense, but our defense kept answering the call and came through with some huge turnovers for us."

Morrissey will have to wait until its Oct. 6 game against Duncan to try to pick up its first win, but Siegfried will go for its second victory Sunday at 2:15 p.m. against rival Knott.

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Keenan 13, O'Neill 0

By MITCHELL MEERSMAN Sports Writer

With the leaves beginning to change and a noticeable chill in the air, the stage was set on Sunday for a 13-0 Keenan victory over O'Neill to kick off the interhall season.

The defending-champion Knights (1-0-0) started out on offense and got off to a quick start. Keenan marched easily down the field and deep into O'Neill territory with the help of a 30 yard pass.

However, O'Neill's defense proved tough in the red zone

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and came up with a big fourth down stop to keep Keenan off the board in its first drive.

O'Neill junior captain Donghoon Lee said he was happy with the overall defensive performance of the Angry Mob (0-1-0).

"I thought our defense was solid today," he said. "We just got burnt on a few pass plays. Our run defense was good though."

The O'Neill defense held strong through most of the first half before finally giving way to a tough Keenan offense, which first scored on a 9-yard touchdown pass.

Following an interception, the Knights tacked on seven more points on a 40-yard touchdown throw to go up 13-0.

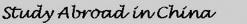
The second half was a scoreless defensive battle with the Knights getting the better of things, intercepting an Angry Mob pass to seal the victory.

Keenan senior captain Jeremy Riche said he was especially happy with his team's defensive performance.

"Our defense was really good, two interceptions on the day," he said. "That's not just on one guy but on the whole defense. Our goal as a team is to hold team's under six points and we did that today."

O'Neill will next play Stanford on Sunday at 1 p.m., while Keenan will have a bye week before taking on Keough on Oct. 6.

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A 32-yard field goal from senior kicker Bryce Persichetti put St. Edward's on the board in the third quarter but the Gentlemen won the game in the fourth.

Senior quarterback Paul Martin-Rodriguez marched the ball down the field to deliver a 19-yard touchdown pass to junior receiver Michael Ahlers before the Gentlemen sealed the victory with a 25-yard scamper to the end zone by senior running back Frank Soler.

"It was really good to get out here and play with the guys," Ahlers, who finished on the end of 56 of Martin-Rodiguez's 105 passing yards, said. "All of our receiver Brent Jordan on two deep balls totaling 101 yards. However, turnovers, illtimed penalties and a blocked kick kept Stanford off the scoreboard.

"The defense put us in position to win, but we weren't able to capitalize," Griffin senior captain Ruben Carrion said. "Losing a close game like that hurts, but we're excited about next week."

Dillon will look to pick up its second win against Keough next Sunday at 1 p.m. at Riehle Fields while Stanford will aim to rebound against O'Neill.

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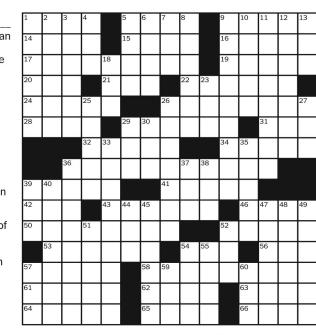
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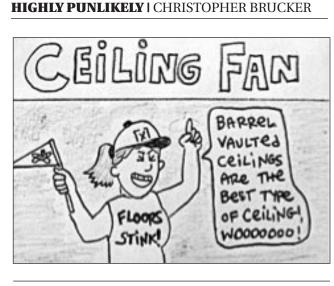
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Happy Birthday: It's time to follow your creative voice, to look inside using your talents in diverse and unusual ways and to expand your interests and your income Take charge and stand up to anyone trying to dictate or make choices for you. Call in favors and opt to engage in friendships and work relationships with positive people who share your goals. Your numbers are 8, 13, 15, 21, 28, 37, 46.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Think about what's going on in your personal life and consider whether or not you are paying enough attention to what you value the most. Personal and professional partnerships are undergoing changes that must be handled carefully. ***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Trust your intuition. If something appears to be wrong with a relationship or group you are involved with, take care of the problem before it's too late. Speaking overtly will clear the air so you can make a decision to stay or to leave. ***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Keep a fresh attitude and an honest approach to whatever you do or say. Spectcular opportunities can develop if you network and interact with people who are traveling down a similar path as you. Communication will bring good fortune. ★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You may have something good to offer, but trying to talk others into following suit will not be easy. Don't worry about what others do or say when what's important is how you turn what you are doing into a success. ****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Make whatever changes or adjustments necessary to ensure that you can handle what needs to be done on your own. A relationship problem will limit your productivity. Take better care of your health and emotional wellbeing. ★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Plan a vacation or begin one. Moving about or embracing new information will prove to be beneficial. A gentle nudge will get others to pitch in and help you finish whatever needs to be done. Love is in the stars. ********

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A financial deal, settlement or legal matter is apparent, but it will be important that you don't let it limit your freedom or stifle your connection to someone who has helped you in the past. A medical issue shouldn't be ignored. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Enjoy personal encounters that allow you to share your thoughts and make plans for the future. Use your imagination and you will open up a host of new possibilities that can lead to a healthier and better lifestyle. $\star\star\star$

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Visit someone who can offer you information that will help to guide you in a better direction. Take better care of your emotional and physical self. What you do to improve your image will turn out well. ★★★

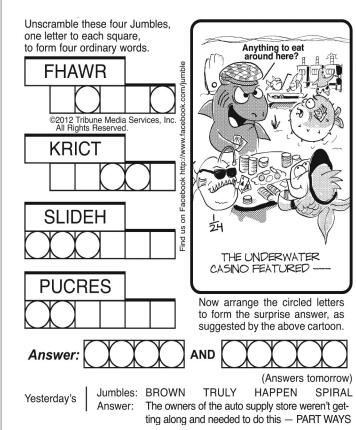
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You judge and initiate whatever it is you want to see happen. By taking control you prove that you have what it takes to get things done. An offer will put you at odds regarding what to do next. Don't act in haste. $\star\star\star\star\star$

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Stay focused on deals and money matters, along with settlements and legal issues, and you will come out on top. Don't let a personal emotional problem stand between you and success. Make choices that will improve vour life. ★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Push a little harder and you will open up doors that have been closed to you in the past. A deal will lead to prosperity and good connections with people who have something to offer. Someone from your past can help you excel. ★★★★

Birthday Baby: You are determined and full of desire. You are courageous and steadfast.

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FOOTBALL

Seeking stability

Notre Dame defense seeks more consistent Saturday performances

By MIKE MONACO Sports Editor

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294 to Purdue. The Irish defense was inconsistent through the first three games of the season, surrendering an average of 372 yards of total offense per contest.

But Saturday, Notre Dame looked different defensively, allowing just 254 yards to Michigan State as the Irish took down the Spartans in a 17-13 slugfest at Notre Dame Stadium.

"Who is going to show up now is really going to be what we're asking," Irish coach Brian Kelly said Sunday during his weekly teleconference. "Are we going to see the group that showed itself against Michigan State consistently or the group that we saw the last couple weeks that played hot and cold? We're going to look for that consistency now from our defense."

In searching for consistency, Kelly said he is seeking production and dependability at all three levels of the defense. The Irish were noticeably better in terms of wrapping up and finishing tackles, something that hampered Notre Dame in its first three games. The longest pass play by an opposing offense in each of the first three tilts was 26, 61 and 48 yards against Temple, Michigan and Purdue, respectively. Michigan also broke a long run of 35 yards against the Irish.

Yet on Saturday, Notre Dame kept the Spartan offense under wraps, allowing a long rush of 11 yards and a loss pass of 19. Kelly said there had been no special recipe to improve the defense or the tackling in the practices leading up to Saturday's victory.



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Irish senior nose guard Louis Nix III sheds a block in pursuit of MSU sophomore quarterback Connor Cook. Notre Dame beat the Spartans 17-13 on Saturday.

"This week really was about you get what you demand and do your job," Kelly said. "I know those sound like some pretty standard

watch words, but we didn't reinvent any defense. We didn't create any new schemes. We just demanded more and expected

more from our players, and we got it on Saturday."

ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Von Rueden stars

By GREG HADLEY Sports Writer

Playing on the road in front of more than 3,500 fans against the No. 1 team in the country, No. 7 Notre Dame needed to score early and seize the momentum against North Carolina on Sept. 15.

Naturally, sophomore right back Brittany Von Rueden stepped up and delivered a spot-on cross that freshman midfielder Morgan Andrews headed past the Tar Heel defense for the game-winning goal in the 22nd minute.

Four days later, the Irish (7-1, 3-0-0 ACC) were again locked in a scoreless tie, this time at home against Syracuse. With less than 10 seconds left, Andrews sent a free kick into

the box that Orange goalkeeper Brittany Anghel punched out. Von Rueden, once again in perfect position, headed the ball to junior center back Sammy Scofield, who scored and gave the Irish the win.

Assists from Von Rueden are a common occurrence. As a freshman, she led the squad with seven, and in just eight games this year, Von Rueden has amassed four helpers, good for second on the team.

Ask her, though, and she gives all the credit to her teammates and coaches.

"[Against North Carolina], we had our game plan and we executed," Von Rueden said. "It was

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Week one begins

Alumni 3, Knott 0

MEN'S INTERHALL

By CHRISTINA KOCHANSKI Sports Writer

Alumni defeated Knott 3-0 in a season-opening matchup Sunday at Riehle fields that came down to a last-minute field goal.

Defense was crucial from the starting whistle, as Knott senior Jake Wrigley intercepted the ball at the beginning of the game.

"We intercepted the first play of the game and that really got the momentum going," Alumni senior captain Jeffrey Kraemer said.

The Juggernauts (0-1-0) and the Dawgs (1-0-0) traded possessions throughout the first half, but neither team was able to put points on the board. Knott's defense finished off the half with a sack on Alumni freshman quarterback Trevor Hurley shortly before the whistle blew for halftime. In the fourth quarter, Alumni had the chance to score the first points of the game with a field goal, but a high snap resulted in a fumble, which Knott recovered. Alumni junior kicker Ryan Buckley converted a second field goal attempt into three points with less than a minute left in the fourth quarter to give the Dawgs the game's only points and the win. Despite the defeat, Knott senior captain James Hodgens said he

feels confident about the potential his team displayed.

"We're a young team, but we're going to be good down the stretch," Hodgens said. "I'd love to win, obviously, but I saw some good things out there and I'm looking forward to the rest of the season."

Alumni will look to continue its success when the Dawgs take on Duncan at 2:15 p.m. Sunday at Riehle Fields. Knott will attempt to bounce back from defeat against its next opponent, Siegfried, at the same time and day at Riehle.

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL

Flag football kicks off

Pasquerilla West 6, **Cavanaugh 0**

By MARY GREEN

Sports Writer

A fourth-quarter interception on second-and-goal by senior defensive back Maria Harmon all but sealed Pasquerilla West's victory Sunday as the Purple Weasels beat Cavanaugh 6-0.

The game remained scoreless for most of the first half, with the teams trading fruitless possessions. Pasquerilla West (1-0) went threeand-out on its first two possessions before reaching the end zone on the third on a four-yard rushing touchdown by senior captain and quarterback Rachel Rogers to go up 6-0 just before halftime. Weasels senior captain and linebacker Breezi Toole said her team's win represented the culmination of hard work by both rookies and veteran players. "We put a lot of time in," Toole said. "We have a lot of young players, young talent, so it was really about preparing them, and I think the vets stepped up to help them out."



GRANT TOBIN | The Observer

Irish sophomore right back Brittany Von Rueden drills a header away from the Notre Dame net against UCLA on Sept. 1.

By MANNY de JESUS Sports Writer

In game that lived up to its rivalry hype, the hard-fought defensive battle between Fisher and Carroll finished in a 3-3 tie. Fisher's (0-0-1) offense dominated the game with its rushing attack, which featured senior quarterback Joe Paggi and junior running back Cam Roberson, who gave Carroll (0-0-1) a tough time in the first half.

Carroll found a way to stop the run in the second half, yielding only a field goal in two Fisher trips to the red zone.

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The Cavanaugh offense made plays, with junior quarterback

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