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Class of 2018 embarks on journey at ND, SMC

ND 'more selective and even more on mission'

By LESLEY STEVENSONNews Editor

Notre Dame's incoming class of 2018 comes to campus from the University's highest-qualified applicant pool and reflects the Office of Undergraduate Admissions' efforts to extend and personalize its recruitment process, according to Don Bishop, associate vice president for undergraduate enrollment.

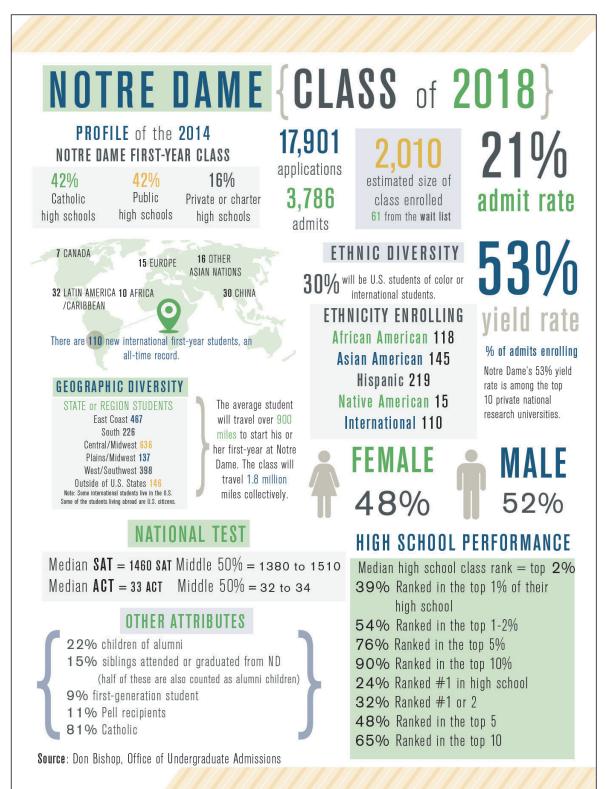
"The quality of the applicant pool has jumped in the past four years, and we are using numbers less to select the class," Bishop said. "While we are more selective than ever, we are also more on mission in that selection process."

Bishop said although Notre Dame received 17 percent more applications this year from students ranked in the top 1 percent of the nation academically, the admissions committee also prioritized personal qualities and factors beyond the numbers.

"Notre Dame did not admit over 3,500 of its applicants that had a test score or class performance in the top 1 percent of the nation because we felt other students showed greater academic and intellectual curiosity and creativity, stronger leadership, a deeper commitment to service and/or a more sincere belief in the value system of Notre Dame," Bishop said.

"Notre Dame employs a holistic admissions process that is

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SMC first years have 'really diverse interest backgrounds'

By REBECCA O'NEIL News Writer

On Aug. 21, approximately 380 fresh faces rolled down The Avenue for move-in day. Based on statistics, the Saint Mary's Class of 2018 looks nearly identical to the sophomores, juniors and seniors who preceded them.

For the past three years, roughly one fifth of Saint Mary's have come from traditionally underrepresented groups, Mona Bowe, vice president for enrollment management said. Thirteen percent, on the other hand, are legacy students, Bowe said.

"We're at 18 percent underrepresented students, the last class was right at 20, the class before was at 17," Bowe said.

Bowe, who oversees admissions and financial aid for the College, said the consistent admission and enrollment of a diverse student body is imperative to President Carol Ann Mooney's initiative for the College, Boldly Forward. The plan, originally approved in 2007, explicitly states racial and ethnic diversity as key elements of the College's academic excellence.

"It's not just about what the faculty member teaches you in the classroom but what you can learn about the world from the other women in your classroom or in your residence hall," Bowe said.

Although diversity has not increased dramatically in recent

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Halls welcome new rectors

By JACK ROONEY Associate News Editor

As Notre Dame freshmen move in Friday, a record nine new rectors will welcome students back to their residence halls.

Heather Rakoczy Russell, associate vice president for residential life, said this is the single largest rector turnover on record, with new rectors in Cavanaugh, Duncan, Fisher, Howard, Knott, Lyons, Pasquerilla East, Walsh and Welsh Family Halls.

Lauren Donahue, the new rector of Cavanaugh Hall, holds a Master of Arts in student affairs in higher education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Donahue said her experience living in dorms as a student makes her excited to lead a residence

hall community.

"I am thrilled to begin this new adventure with the women of Cavanaugh Hall, and it is an honor and blessing to be a part of this community rooted in history and tradition," she said. "I am looking forward to growing in faith and fellowship with the women of Cavanaugh as

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SMC hires new admissions director

KERI O'MARA | The Observer

By KELLY KONYA

Saint Mary's Editor

Sarah Gallagher Dvorak, a 1999 alumna of Saint Mary's College and previous director of undergraduate admissions at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va., has been named Saint Mary's new director of admissions, the College announced in a June 18 press release.

According to the press release, Gallagher Dvorak received a bachelor's degree in communication studies from Saint

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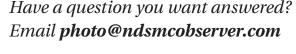
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QUESTION OF THE DAY:

What is your favorite part of Frosh-O?





Jessie Wurzer

sophomore Ryan Hall

"Definitely serenading and listening to the guys serenade."



Josh Erickson

sophomore Dillon Hall

"Serenading the girls."



Lukas O'Donnell

sophomore Duncan Hall

"Answer in quotations."



Maura Boston

sophomore Cavanaugh Hall

"Domer Fest 2k13!"



Pat Norris

sophomore

Knott Hall

"Getting to know all sorts of chicks, some of whom I still keep in touch with."



Patrick Sheehan

sophomore Knott Hall

"Domer Fest, obviously."



Freshman quarterback DeShone Kizer prepares to take a snap during Tuesday's football media day. Kizer will back up sophomore Malik Zaire and recently-named starter senior Everett Golson. The Irish open their season against Rice at home Aug. 30.

THE NEXT FIVE DAYS:

Want your event included here? Email news@ndsmcobserver.com

Friday

Campus Ministry Welcome Tent

South Quad 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Free hot dogs and t-shirts for freshmen.

Graduate Student Opening Mass

Basilica of the Sacred Heart 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Grad students welcome.

Saturday

Notre Dame Folk Choir Auditions

Coleman-Morse Center 9 a.m.-10 a.m. Freshmen encouraged to sign up to audition.

Saturday Vigil Mass

Basilica of the Sacred Heart 5 p.m.-6 p.m. Music by Women's Liturgical Choir

Sunday

Notre Dame Recital Choir Auditions

Crowley Hall of Music 2 p.m.-5 p.m. Auditions will be held in room 115.

ND Women's Soccer

Alumni Stadium 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. The Irish take on Oakland: free admission for students.

Monday

Blood Drive Hesburgh Library 10 a.m.-4 p.m. All donors will receive

a \$10 Starbucks card.

Freshmen First **Grotto Visit**

The Grotto 10 p.m.-11 p.m. Annual visit led by Campus Ministry.

Tuesday

Opening Mass and Picnic

Jovce Center 5:30 p.m.-9:15 p.m. Dining Halls closed for picnic.

Film: "What is Cinema"

DeBartolo Performing Arts Center 8 p.m.-10 p.m. Film by Chuck Workman



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ND, SMC plan first year orientation activities

Notre Dame residence halls blend old and new traditions, focus on inclusiveness

By EMILY McCONVILLE
News Writer

As members of the incoming Class of 2018 pack their last bags and begin to converge on campus from all over the world, groups of older students from each residence hall are hard at work behind the scenes, putting the final touches on what will be the freshmen's first glimpse of life at Notre Dame.

Commonly known as Frosh-O, the First Year Orientation is a whirl-wind of new faces, speeches and events from Aug. 22-24. In addition to open houses, an official orientation program, academic advising and DomerFest, freshmen will participate in a variety of activities with their residence halls. These events often include icebreakers, learning Notre Dame and hall-specific traditions, and small service projects, sometimes in conjunction with other halls.

Senior Deirdre Harrington, chair of the Student Campus Orientation Committee (SCOC), said preparations for the weekend began last April, when the 29 residence halls' Frosh-O commissioners, the leaders of hall orientation events, gathered for a series of training sessions.

"[It] was basically going over what we expect of them and their staff and what kind of events they should have, and preparing them to be able to plan the events during the summer," Harrington said.

She said the Student Activities Office (SAO) had to approve all Frosh-O events. Commissioners for each hall began exchanging ideas for events with their staffs and with other halls in the spring semester, and, after consulting with rectors, submitted schedule proposals to SCOC.

Harrington said SCOC then acted as an intermediary between commissioners and SAO staff, offering suggestions and improvements before submitting the final proposal to SAO, which then offered its own feedback based on a number of considerations, from risk management to what kind of food each event would need.

Another dimension of the training process, Harrington said, was a renewed emphasis on inclusiveness, taking students' differences in background and personality into account, so that all freshmen could feel welcome and comfortable. She said this involved keeping diverse ethnicities, socioeconomic backgrounds, sexual orientations and ability levels in mind when planning events and adjusting existing traditions, such as designing an event students of all athletic abilities could enjoy.

"The overall goal is to get people used to Notre Dame and what it means to be a student and part of this community at large, and understanding what it means to be a part of your dorm, or all the types of identities you might have as a Notre Dame student on campus," Harrington said.

Junior Josh Dempsey, a Frosh-O co-commissioner for Duncan Hall, said he and his staff decided to change serenades, a tradition in which male dorms sing to female dorms, by having the residents sing to other male dorms. He said he and his staff also worked to develop better events with female dorms.

"It's more about developing friendships early on and developing meaningful, lasting friendships," he said. "So we try to avoid your 30-minute event with a female dorm ... What we did instead was schedule an hour and a half block where the guys are in a low-pressure atmosphere and they can just mingle and talk and actually get to know [another hall resident] as a person."

The initiative also extended to personality types. Junior Maggie Schmid, a co-commissioner for Cavanaugh Hall, said she worked to make Frosh-O welcoming to both introverted and outgoing students.

"We want to make sure we're taking care of [the students]," Schmid said. "I love Notre Dame, and I want to make sure [freshmen] have a good first impression. The training helps me focus on people who I don't [normally] focus on, and I like that, because we don't want to let anyone slip through."

The result of all this work is a months-long, multi-step process of adjusting events and schedules and coordinating with other halls, so that it all fits together in the end.

"We're actually still today just getting approval for things that we submitted in May," sophomore and Breen-Phillips Hall co-commissioner Melaina LaSalle said. "It's very long because I think Notre Dame just wants to make sure that everyone is safe and everyone has options that weekend, so it's understandable, but it's a long process."

LaSalle said her goal was to make the freshmen's orientation experience as good as hers was.

"Everyone in the moment is like, 'oh, serenading, this is so awkward, DomerFest is so awkward ... but I met my best friends that weekend, and I'm so thankful for that," LaSalle said. "If I'm able to give that opportunity to someone else, even if it's just one person, it's worth it Our goal as BP students is to build both a sisterhood within our dorm and relationships outside of our dorm, because that's what Frosh-O weekend is about, building relationships you're probably going to know your whole life."

Dempsey said he wanted to emphasize a sense of community during Duncan's Frosh-O.

"Our goal would be really make them feel like Duncan is their hall," Dempsey said. "That was a big thing for me, when I felt comfortable with the guys I was living with, going to dinner with, makes the guys excited to call their parents at the end of the weekend and say, 'I had the best time.' You really have kids who miss home, but are comfortable in their hall. It's that welcoming aspect that is our main objective."

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ND FROSH-O SCHEDULE

Friday, August 22

4:30-7 PM
Picnic-North and South
Dining Halls. For students
and their parents.

8PM-Midnight
Residence Hall Orientation

Sunday, August 24
10:00 AM

Pavilion

11:30 AM Box Lunch, Purcell Pavilion Saturday, August 23

Orientation Program for First-Year Students and Parents: Purcell Pavilion REQUIRED

4:30-5:30 PM
First Year of Studies Open
House: Coleman-Morse
Center, Second Floor

11 PM-1:00 AM DOMERFEST Stepan Center

Noon-1;00 PM Spirit of Notre Dame, Purcell Pavilion

SMC FROSH-O SCHEDULE

Friday, August 22

9 AM-10 AM
Formal Welcome/Academic
Matriculation Ceremony

3-4:30 PM Academic Advising

Sunday, August 24
1–3 PM
Schedule Changes

4:30 PM 6:00 PM Mass Belles Bash Saturday, August 23

4–5 PM Mass

Closing of the Circle

11 PM Domerfest

RAs, older students, team builders to welcome SMC first years

By Haleigh Ehmsen

News Writer

Saint Mary's traditional three-day orientation for first year students kicked off Thursday with a few new activities, along with old traditions, aimed at welcoming a new class of Belles to

Students began moving into the residence halls at 8 a.m. and formal orientation began at 4:30 p.m.

Student body president senior McKenna Schuster said orientation is important for new students to get acquainted with their new home, new classmates and student leaders.

"Orientation is where girls make their first friends, and start to discover what it is like to be away from home," Schuster said.

New this year, the Student Government Association (SGA) invited Playfair, a professional team-building group, to come Friday and help first-years get to know one another through ice-breakers and other activities, Schuster said

The Closing of the Circle ceremony will take place Saturday evening. Schuster said the event is a highly symbolic and meaningful tradition, during which the first-year students gather on the green in front of Le Mans Hall and listen to testimony from upperclassmen.

"The ceremony culminates with a candle lighting and distribution of special Saint Mary's charms that girls can take with them," Schuster said. "After each student's four years at Saint Mary's they participate in an Opening of the Circle ceremony where we are sent off into life after Saint Mary's."

Junior Madeline Harris, a resident assistant in Holy Cross Hall, said RA's play an integral role in orientation because they are some of the first faces the new students and their families encounter in their new home.

"Since RA's work so closely with the students throughout the year, it is important to

make a positive impression in the first few days, whether it be a smile, a hello or a short conversation," she said.

Schuster said her best advice for first-years is to engage and listen, but not get overwhelmed.

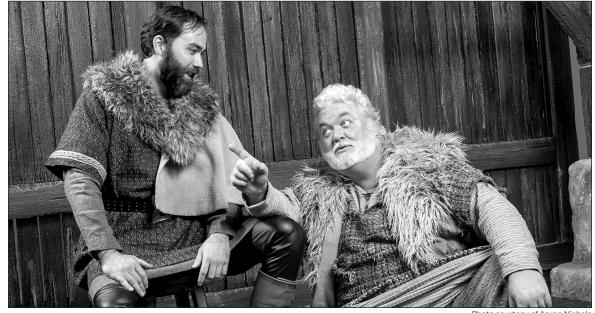
"Sometimes, orientation can feel like a lot of information thrown at you at once, but it is important for the first years to take it just one step at a time and hopefully learn that there are resources all over campus for them to utilize," Schuster said.

She said she hopes the class of 2018 will feel a part of the Saint Mary's sisterhood and get involved with new activities on campus.

"One of our SGA goals is to increase attendance at events throughout the year and I really want to encourage the first years to not be afraid to try something new," Schuster said. "There's an event, club or initiative for everyone."

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London Stage actors, students to perform in two-month-long Shakespeare festival



By MADISON JAROS News Writer

Students and professional actors will take the stage together throughout August and September to perform Shakespeare's Henry IV, Much Ado About Nothing and The Merry Wives of Windsor as part of the Notre Dame Shakespeare Festival (NDSF), an annual event that spans two months and connects students, actors and the community.

This year is a milestone for the NDSF, Grant Mudge, the Ryan producing artistic director for the festival, said. It not only marks the event's 15th year at Notre Dame, but also the 150th anniversary of the first full production

and the 450th anniversary of Shakespeare's birth.

Henry IV, the first Shakespeare play to be performed in its entirety at Notre Dame, was an obvious choice for this year's Professional Company show, Mudge said. The play presents a moral dilemma to its characters, he said.

"Henry IV is about Prince Henry choosing his path in life, between [Sir John] Falstaff's way of life and that of his father—a sort of severe rigor of justice and the law—versus a life of licentiousness and drunken debauchery," Mudge said.

Actors from the London Stage, a group of five professional actors from the London Theatre, will perform Much Ado About Nothing, Mudge said.

Senior Guillermo Alonso, who plays Poins and Feeble in Henry IV and Bardolph in The Merry Wives of Windsor highlighted the unique experience the festival provides to Notre Dame and the community.

"The main-stage show will allow audiences to experience a fullfledged professional production of Shakespeare, such as the one you might experience by going to the British National Theatre," Alonso said. "The festival really offers a very unique theatrical experience."

Sophomore Helena Petlick, the stage manager for Merry Wives of Windsor and the assistant stage manager for Henry IV, said that the festival gives students a chance to experience theater in a way they never have before.

"Students can go into the theatre right on campus and can engage with professional actors that have performed on Broadway and have acted in films in Hollywood," Petlick said.

Petlick believes seeing a live performance will lead students to see Shakespeare differently.

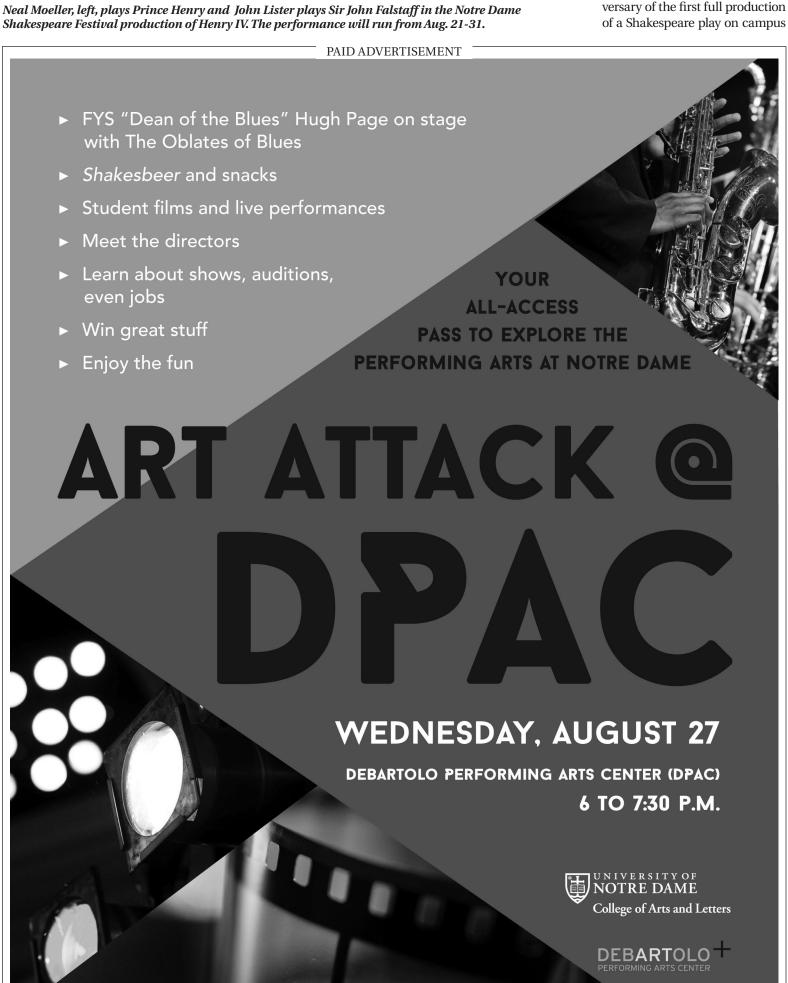
"Unfortunately, there's a preconceived notion that one has to be a scholar or English major to understand and enjoy Shakespeare, and that's just not true," Petlick

Alonso said he also hoped the festival will give students a deeper appreciation of Shakespeare.

"Students going to the festival ill be able to witness just how malleable Shakespeare really is, and hopefully it will make them appreciate the genius behind the Bard."

A free performance of Merry Wives of Windsor will be held for students on August 25 at 7 p.m. in front of the Main Building. Henry IV will be performed from August 21-31 and Much Ado About Nothing will be performed from September 17-19 at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets can be purchased by visiting performingarts.nd.edu or by calling 574-631-2800. Additional information on the NDSF can be found at shakespeare.nd.edu.

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ND student body president encourages freshman participation

By MARGARET HYNDS

News Writer

During her campaign with senior running mate Matt Devine, student body president Lauren Vidal emphasized her intention to institute an "open door policy" within the student government office - and she intends to follow

Vidal said she particularly hopes freshmen will utilize this feature of her administration.

"I would more than encourage them to stop by our office," she said. "Our committees are very active and are always looking for members. I would also tell them to stop by activities night at the [Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center]. I think that there, the freshmen get the best understanding of the sheer magnitude of groups that the University has to offer."

Underneath the umbrella of student government departments, there are two groups specifically created for freshmen to be in a leadership position and play an active role in Univeristy life.

One is the Freshman Class Council (FCC). FCC is run through the Student Activities Office (SAO), not student government, but is responsible

for programs and initiatives within the freshman class.

FCC is composed of 29 representatives, one from each dorm. The Judicial Council will hold elections for these positions in mid-September, and later the representatives will elect their officers from within the class council.

"FCC was a great way promote class unity," former Pangborn FCC representative and sophomore Mallory Dreyer said. "My favorite program we put on was an organized free skate for freshmen at Compton [Family] Ice Arena. Most freshmen didn't know that there were regular open skate times, and so the event was a great way to introduce them to it."

The second group designed for first-year students is FUEL, First Undergraduate Experience in Leadership. FUEL is run as a department within student government, and serves the purpose of introducing freshmen to different areas and departments in student government, Vidal

This year, FUEL is in the process of adopting what its co-director sophomore Louis Bertolotti described as "a few new approaches."

"There will be a variety of new opportunities for leadership positions, and we aim to make the body a much slimmer, more efficient body capable of making real positive change on campus," Bertolotti said.

Vidal said making participation in FUEL a worthwhile and all-inclusive experience for first-year students is a goal of her administration.

"[FUEL is] a wonderful opportunity," Vidal said. "We're working this year to make it a microcosm of how student government more broadly works, emphasizing policy changes and how policy can be turned into initiatives."

The group will allow freshmen to participate not only in their own department but also in another, to integrate them more fully into student government work, FUEL codirector sophomore Marisa Olsen said in an email.

"Students will be on the FUEL department as well as another department that carries out initiatives that they feel will improve student life at Notre Dame," Olsen said. ". . . Being on FUEL gives them the opportunity to make a huge difference on campus, which is pretty exciting as a freshman."

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EMILY McCONVILLE | The Observ

Student body president Lauren Vidal and vice president Matt Devine debate ahead of the February student government elections. Vidal encouraged Notre Dame freshmen to get involved in student government.

Admissions

Mary's and a master's degree in mass communication from California State University-Northridge.

"We couldn't be happier with our choice of a new director," vice president for enrollment management Mona Bowe said in a press release. "We were blessed with a very well-qualified candidate pool, yet we only had to look in our virtual backyard to find the strongest one."

In addition to her position at George Mason, Gallagher Dvorak's career has also included work at Edelman Worldwide Public Relations in Chicago as an assistant account executive; WSBT-TV in South Bend as a news producer; Marymount High School in Los Angeles as communications coordinator; Lock Haven University in Pennsylvania as assistant director of admissions; and Indiana University Bloomington as associate director of recruitment outreach and senior associate director of marketing and communications, as stated in a press release.

Gallagher Dvorak said her various roles have provided her with a wide breadth of experience and knowledge about higher education and college admission. As director of admissions at Saint Mary's, Gallagher Dvorak will direct all efforts related to the recruitment and admission of undergraduates at Saint

"This involves a number of areas, including, but not limited to, international and national travel and outreach to prospective students and families, managing the visit experience and events both on and off campus, coordinating our alumnae recruitment program, managing the application decision process and marketing and communication efforts," she said. "I also supervise and manage a team of 17 staff members. I'm really great work my team has accomplished and take the SMC Office of Admission to the next level; to think outside the box about how we can reach prospective students and spread the message about the quality of both a Saint Mary's education and an all-women's education."

Gallagher Bowe said Dvorak is well-versed on the challenges of recruiting undergraduate students, and she has a proven record of attracting great students.

"I believe that what makes her unique for this position is that she is one of our own

Belles," she said. "She values the education she received at Saint Mary's and can speak first hand to the strength of the liberal arts, writing program and other unique aspects of a Saint Mary's education. She is a

"Saint Mary's molded me into the capable woman I am today, and I strive to use the knowledge I have gained throughout my career to spread the mission of Saint Mary's both nationally and internationally"

Sarah Gallagher Dvorak Office of Admissions Saint Mary's College

great leader, and like many of our Belles, a great role model for our young staff."

Gallagher Dvorak said she has taken on this role at the perfect time, as everyone from the Vice President to the President of the Board of Trustees is supportive of the admissions team's efforts.

"Recruiting for a small, private, all-women's college can be challenging, but I have complete confidence that our team will succeed," Gallagher Dvorak said. "I was also lucky enough to hire a number of new counselors this summer, and I look forward to bringing our team together throughout the year in an effort to get to know one another better and to work as cohesively as possible toward our goals."

After spending the last 15 years in a variety of cities around the country, Gallagher Dvorak said she is thrilled to return home to Saint Mary's.

"Doing what I love at a place I love is a dream come excited to build upon the true. Saint Mary's molded me into the capable woman I am today, and I strive to use the knowledge I have gained throughout my career to spread the mission of Saint Mary's both nationally and internationally," she said. "I believe I have two significant responsibilities: to lead a team that empowers young women to seek out a college that will help them grow in mind, body and spirit; and to help these women find the place at which they can explore, discover and ultimately become their best selves."

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aligned with the University's mission as the world's leading Catholic research university," he said. "This process increasingly is evaluating student motivation for being high performers in an effort to identify the more intellectually-driven students who also have the potential to become innovative and entrepreneurial leaders with a strong desire to serve others."

Of 17,901 applications, 3,786 students gained admission to the University and 2,010 chose to enroll, Bishop said. He said 61 enrollees came from the wait list. Those numbers constitute a 21 percent admit rate and a 53 percent yield rate, or rate of admitted students who accept their offers of admission.

"Notre Dame's 53 percent yield rate is among the top 10 private national research universities for yield success," Bishop said.

Bishop said the heightened yield rate resulted from an effort to enhance recruitment materials, personalize connections with students, reach underrepresented groups and promote Notre Dame's unique character as a Catholic research institution.

"We do not view ourselves as a generic top-10 university," he said. "We seek to find and admit students who believe in Notre Dame's mission. We are acting on that assessment of students and this has improved our yield rate — along with improved merit and financial aid awards."

Bob Mundy, director of admissions, said the incoming class is "very well-fitted for Notre Dame."

"Our new students will continue our tradition of great intellectual prowess and promise, while being grounded with the personal traits that make us a different place in the higher education world," he said. "We expect them to excel in our classrooms and share their many gifts with others. It's a class of various exceptional accomplishments and wonderful personal stories as well."

Bishop said the class of 2018 is more diverse both geographically and ethnically than its predecessors. He said it continues the upward trend of ethnic diversity, into which

both U.S. students of color and international students factor.

The incoming class includes 110 international students, a number Bishop said is "an all-time record."

"The average student will travel over 900 miles to start their first year at Notre Dame, 1.8 million miles collectively," he said. "Notre Dame is arguably the most nationally representative university in the United States. It is also becoming increasingly more global."

Bishop said the Office of Undergraduate Admissions has capitalized on new recruitment strategies to publicize Notre Dame's mission and resources to find students who fit well into the University's values. He said his staff's increased use of social media and personal contact, as well as the willingness of current students, parents and alumni to connect with prospective and admitted students, made the process "more selective and even more on mission."

Bishop said the collective efforts helped forge new contacts with low-income and first-generation students and secure relationships with "the highest caliber schools in the United States and across the globe."

"Notre Dame is improving its content of recruitment materials — website and printed — to increase the awareness of the academic quality of our faculty, research opportunities for undergraduates, the power of the alumni network and the esteem that top employers have for [Notre Dame]," he said. "We have also improved our financial aid services and family advising in counseling on affording the costs of Notre Dame and making a value centered investment."

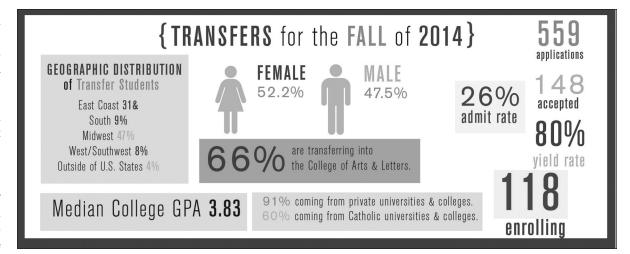
Bishop said the class of 2018 compares well with those of other elite institutions.

"Notre Dame's first-year class is likely among the top 10 to 15 in the nation for their academic accomplishments and even higher if you add in the consideration of leadership, sense of faith and service towards others," he said. "We would not trade our first-year class for any other ... in the

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Saint Mary's

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years, Bowe said an incoming class whose population consists of 18 percent underrepresented minorities is a vast improvement on the eight percent when Mooney first became President 11 years ago.

"Mooney announced during a meeting she had at the College forum on August 20 that in her eleven years here we have gone from 8 percentage of the students being from underrepresented groups to almost 20 percent over all," Bowe said.

Boldly Forward states that campus culture promoting and embracing international and multicultural perspectives is imperative to create a welcoming environment. Bowe, who also works on retention with Karen Johnson, the vice president for student affairs, confirmed a diverse student body, as well as faculty and staff, is essential for progress.

The different and enriching

perspectives of the freshman class, will come from 30 states and four countries — China, Colombia, Chile and Ukraine.

Saint Mary's commitment to Holy Cross principles strengthens the bond between the women that make up the class of 2018, Bowe said.

"You don't educate the mind at the expense of the heart or the spirit," Bowe said. "We educate all three."

The 381 admitted students came from a pool of 1,687 applicants. Bowe Saint Mary's small size is a blessing in the admissions' process.

"We really can take the time to sit down and read every single application, to make sure that the admissions committee knows who the students are and who we're accepting," Bowe said. "It's not just about the academics but to make sure that Saint Mary's is the right fit for them."

Bowe said that while the college bases admittance on academic qualifications, the institution seeks leaders to

continue the enriched culture of the campus community.

"We're doing the right thing by admitting the students that are academically qualified to be at Saint Mary's and complete in 4 years, but also we're finding the students that are involved in their communities, ... in their churches, in their schools [and] have really diverse interest backgrounds," Bowe said.

One freshman started a clothing drive for Youth for Christ, another went on a mission trip to Joplin, Missouri to help offer aid after destructive storms and yet another collected 500 to 1,000 cans of food annually for a school food drive, Bowe said.

"Those are the kinds of things that don't show up in your transcript but the fact that we take the time to read every application and we get to know the students shows a lot," Bowe said.

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Rectors

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as they discern who and what God has called them to be."

Duncan Hall's new rector, Nhat Nguyen, served as the rector of Fischer and O'Hara-Grace Graduate Residences last year. He said he wants to continue Duncan's outstanding community after winning Men's Hall of the Year last year, with a focus on developing personal relationships with residents.

"I'm humbled and blessed for the opportunity to share life with the men of Duncan in the coming years: to celebrate with them, to walk through bitter valleys with them and to journey everywhere in between," he said. "It will be an honor and a privilege to form deep meaningful relationships with my students. I'm looking forward to meeting each and every one of them to hear their stories, to learn from them and to know each of them by name."

Richard Mazzei, class of 1978, lived in Flanner Hall during his undergraduate years but will take the reigns at Fisher Hall this year. Mazzei was a goalie for the Notre Dame club lacrosse team and worked for 30 years as a high school administrator, teacher and coach at Malden Catholic High School in Massachusetts.

"Fisher has a great spirit that I hope to continue," he said. "This is a dream job for me; it is like

coming home again. I have a great love for Notre Dame and I am so grateful to be able to serve in this position."

The new rector of Howard Hall, Amanda Springstead, graduated from Notre Dame in 2011 and said the uniqueness of residential life at Notre Dame prompted her to become a rector.

"I wanted to be a rector because at Notre Dame there is an infusion of spirituality and faith within the hall," she said. "[It is] a community that is filled with tradition and talented young women who value the relationships they build within the hall. The Notre Dame residential life experience is so distinct."

Sarah Heiman had virtually no connection to Notre Dame aside from visits to campus before she took over as rector of Lyons Hall. She said she wants to help the women of Lyons and all students share their talents with the world.

"I'm most excited about accompanying young women during a time in their lives when many questions about faith, careers, relationships and their personal hopes and dreams are being raised," she said. "The students of Notre Dame are incredibly gifted and have so much hope that they can bring to the world; helping someone identify the unique way they are called to serve others is one of the best parts about being a rector."

Walsh Hall, one of the oldest dorms on campus, will welcome Elizabeth Detwiler, who said she hopes to grow into the close-knit community of the dorm.

"Walsh is a small, intimate community," she said. "From what I've gathered from former students, current rectors and former rectors, Walsh Hall is great place to sink roots and become the best version of yourself."

"I cannot take any credit for this generous inheritance; I have no plans to change it. My plans are to learn from the Wild Women of Walsh on what makes their community unique and work hard to keep cultivating a space for these women to feel at home."

Carol Latronica, class of 1977, will bring her labradoodle Lucca with her to Welsh Family Hall, where she will take over as rector. She said looks forward to working with the women in the community and making it a true home.

"It is very exciting to be back 'home' and being able to work with youngwomen as they begin a wonderful journey," she said. "Being able to empower women to be the best they can be and become more than they ever dreamed, is a wonderful gift I have been given."

Margaret "Mamie" Smith comes to Pasquerilla East Hall from Howard Hall, where she served as an Assistant Rector.

Patrick Kincaid will serve as the new rector of Knott Hall.

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National Guard to leave Ferguson

Associated Press

FERGUSON, Mo. (AP) — Gov. Jay Nixon on Thursday ordered the Missouri National Guard to begin withdrawing from Ferguson, where nightly scenes of unrest have erupted since a white police officer fatally shot an unarmed black 18-year-old nearly two weeks

Since the guard's arrival Monday, flare-ups in the small section of town that had been the center of nightly unrest have begun to subside. The quietest night was overnight Wednesday and Thursday, when police arrested only a handful of people in the protest zone.

"As we continue to see improvement, I have ordered the Missouri National Guard to begin a systematic process of withdrawing from the City of Ferguson," the governor said in a statement.

Demonstrations began after the Aug. 9 shooting of Michael Brown, and authorities have arrested at least 163 people in the protest area. Data provided Thursday by St. Louis County showed that while the majority of those arrested are Missourians, just seven live in Ferguson, a St. Louis suburb. The vast majority, 128 people, were cited for failure to disperse. Twentyone face burglary-related charges.

Meanwhile Thursday, St. Louis County prosecutor Bob McCulloch reiterated he has no intentions of removing himself from the case, and he urged Nixon to once and for all decide if he will act on calls for McCulloch's ouster.

Some question McCulloch's ability to be unbiased since his father, mother and other relatives worked for St. Louis police. His father was killed while responding to

a call involving a black suspect.

Nixon said this week he is not asking McCulloch to recuse himself. But a McCulloch aide, Ed Magee, said the governor 'didn't take an actual position one way or the other."

McCulloch called for a more definitive decision. He said in a statement that Nixon must "end this distraction" or risk delay in resolution of the investigation.

A Nixon spokesman did not immediately return a message seeking comment.

Federal authorities have launched an independent investigation into Brown's death, and U.S. Sen. Claire McCaskill told The Associated Press that all of the physical evidence from the case was being flown Thursday from St. Louis to the FBI forensics lab in Quantico, Virginia. The evidence includes shell casings and

trajectories, blood patterns and clothing, the Missouri Democrat said.

"The only thing you have to test the credibility of eye witnesses to a shooting like this is in fact the physical evidence," McCaskill said. "I'm hopeful the forensic evidence will be clear and will shed a lot more light on what the facts were."

McCaskill also announced that next month she will lead a Senate hearing to look into the militarization of local police departments after criticism of the law enforcement response to the protests in Ferguson following Brown's death.

Missouri State Highway Patrol Capt. Ron Johnson, in charge of securing Ferguson, said just six people were arrested at protests Wednesday night, compared to 47 the previous night, providing hope among law enforcement leaders that tensions may be beginning to ease

A grand jury on Wednesday began considering evidence to determine whether the officer who shot Brown, Darren Wilson, should be charged. Magee said there was no timeline for the process, but it could take weeks.

Another fatal police-involved shooting happened this week in St. Louis, about 5 miles from the site where Brown was killed. St. Louis police released video showing officers killing a knife-wielding man. The video shows the man saying, "Kill me now" as he moved toward two officers. The officers fired six shots each, killing 25-year-old Kajieme Powell.

The St. Louis shooting briefly spurred a gathering of about 150 people who chanted, "Hands up, don't shoot," a chant that has become common among protesters in Ferguson.

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American Ebola doctor 'thrilled to be alive'

Associated Press

ATLANTA (AP) — Calling it a "miraculous day," an American doctor infected with Ebola left his isolation unit and warmly hugged his doctors and nurses on Thursday, showing the world that he poses no public health threat one month after getting sick with

the virus.

Dr. Kent Brantly and his fellow medical missionary, Nancy Writebol, who was quietly discharged two days earlier, are still weak but should recover completely, and no one need fear being in contact with them, said Dr. Bruce Ribner, who runs the infectious disease unit at Emory University Hospital.

Brantly's reappearance was festive and celebratory, a stark contrast to his arrival in an ambulance under police escort three weeks earlier, when he shuffled into the hospital wearing a bulky white hazardous materials suit.

"I am thrilled to be alive, to be well, and to be reunited with my family," Brantly said, choking up as he read a written statement. Then he and his wife turned and hugged a parade of doctors and nurses, hugging or shaking hands with each one. For some, it was their first direct contact without protective gear.

After Brantly, 33, and Writebol, 59, were infected while working with Ebola victims in Liberia, their charity organizations, Samaritan's Purse and SIM, reached out to top infectious disease experts for help.

Working connections, they obtained one of only five courses available worldwide of an experimental drug known as Zmapp, and Brantly and Writebol split the doses before being evacuated to Atlanta. The other four were later given to a Spanish priest, who died, and three doctors in Africa, who have been improving.

Brantly didn't take questions at Thursday's news conference, but he did briefly describe how they confronted Ebola back in Liberia. He said aid workers had begun "preparing for the worst" after learning of the outbreak in March, and saw their first patient in June. Soon, many more arrived.

He said his team took all the precautions they could. After his wife and children returned to the U.S. for a family wedding, he focused on work, moving patients to a bigger isolation unit. Three days later, he woke up feeling sick, and was diagnosed with the disease.

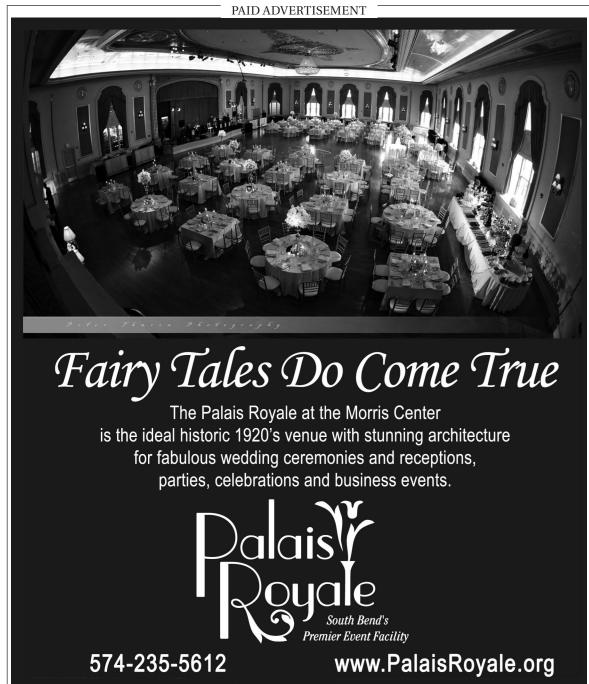
"As I lay in my bed in Liberia for the following nine days, getting sicker and weaker each day, I prayed that God would help me to be faithful even in my illness," Brantly said. "Through the care of the Samaritan's Purse and SIM missionary team in Liberia, the use of an experimental drug, and the expertise and resources of the health care team at Emory University Hospital, God saved my life."

His doctors cautioned that it's unclear whether the drug or a blood transfusion Brantly got from a young Ebola survivor in Africa was helpful or hurtful. The drug is so novel that it hasn't been tested in people, and might not have made any difference at all.

"Experimental means exactly that. They are the very first individuals to have received this treatment and frankly we do not know," Ribner said.

Both patients were discharged after their medical team made sure they won't infect others. Their blood tested clean of the virus, which is spread only through direct contact with the bodily fluids of sick people experiencing symptoms. Ebola survivors generally are not contagious once they've recovered.

Still, both families asked for time alone to recover fully. David Writebol said in a statement that his wife is recuperating at an undisclosed location, and is "greatly encouraged knowing that there were so many people around the world lifting prayers to God for her return to health."



VIEWPOINT

INSIDE COLUMN

A 'To Don't' list



Ann Marie Jakubowski

Editor-in-Chief

Nearly everyone comes to college with a four-year bucket list in mind of all the incredible things they want to accomplish before graduation. As soon as classes start up, people attack the weeks with a coffee in one hand and a foot-long "To Do" list in the other. There's one more kind of list that I think can be more important than either — the "Don't Do" or "To Don't" list.

Here are a few things you might want to consider adding to your "To Don't" list — it'll free up more time and energy for you to take care of all the things on your other lists:

- 1. Stop making two-year plans, four-year plans, 10-year plans or 20-year plans. Contrary to what you might feel like right now, you don't need to have the rest of your life laid out by the first day of classes, by the end of freshman year or even by the end of senior year, for that matter. You'll change and evolve over the next four years relax and let your plans do the same.
- 2. Don't be passive with the next four years, and stop defaulting into your decisions. Be active in choosing what's going to be important to you, and commit energetically to those things. College will push you academically, socially and spiritually, and I imagine that's nothing new for many of you. Don't fall into a mindless routine, and don't be afraid to make a 180-degree turn if something isn't working for you. Whatever you do, do it passionately.
- 3. At the same time, don't overcommit. At Notre Dame, you can do anything you want to but no one can do everything. Choose what means the most to you, what will help you hit your goals, what makes you happiest. And then don't waste energy on anything else.
- 4. Don't sleep in (all the time). This feels hypocritical of me to suggest since I'm known to set five alarms in the morning and ignore the first four, but I'm working on taking my own advice. There are only so many hours in a day, as much as I love to sleep, an extra hour in bed never feels better than getting a good start on the day. Try it one hour earlier, once a week. It doesn't matter what you do with your extra time, just that you have it.
- 5. Don't disengage from the news, both international and domestic. I almost feel an obligation to say that as a newspaper editor, but it's so true. With a campus as gorgeous as ours, it might be easy to forget that there are things worth paying attention to beyond 46556. Don't forget. There are newspapers in the dining halls, links on your Twitter feed and headlines scrolling across the bottom of your TV screen. Make a point of knowing what's going on.

Enjoy your freshman year. I'm sure I don't need to warn you that it goes by faster than you think it will.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'You are Notre Dame'

I extend a warm welcome to all new and returning Notre Dame students. Whether you are arriving on campus for the first time or returning after a summer away, we are very glad you are here.

As we celebrate the new academic year, I invite you to attend the campus-wide Opening Mass on Tuesday, August 26, at 5:30 p.m. in the Joyce Center's Purcell Pavilion. Please join me on this important occasion, as we gather as a community, welcome new members and ask God's blessing on our endeavors this year. Following Mass, there will be a picnic on DeBartolo Quad, where music and entertainment are planned. All are welcome.

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we ensure that the Catholic identity of Notre Dame informs our efforts.

As you know, the University has a rich history. Generations of Notre Dame graduates have been shaped by their experiences here, and they, in turn, have left their mark on the University. We invite you to do the same, to be part of Notre Dame's present as well as its future. Individually and collectively, you have tremendous talents and gifts to share. I hope you will take every day, every place on this campus and every conversation with professors or classmates as an opportunity to engage, learn and grow. You are Notre Dame.

Once again, welcome. I wish you every grace and blessing.

Fr. John Jenkins president University of Notre Dame Aug. 21

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Your time is limited, don't waste it living someone else's life.

Don't be trapped by dogma, which is living the result of other people's thinking. Don't let the noise of other's opinion drowned your own inner voice. And most important, have the courage to follow your heart and intuition, they somehow already know what you truly want to become. Everything else is secondary."

Steve Jobs

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Experience the real Saint Mary's

On behalf of the faculty and staff at Saint Mary's College, I extend a warm welcome to the Class of 2018 and to our transfer students. As an alumna of Saint Mary's and its 11th president, I understand how powerful this experience will be for you. Your time here will be spent in a rigorous academic environment that will both challenge and support you. Our faculty, staff and administration are accessible and eager to help make your transition to college life successful.

As a Holy Cross institution, we emphasize the education of the whole person. Your collegiate

experience includes both the time you spend in the classroom and the many hours that you are not in class. Every co-curricular activity will enhance your experience here, and I encourage you to participate in as many activities as time and your academic schedule will permit.

One of my aspirations for you is that you will develop a sense of obligation to the common good and that your entire life and work will reflect that understanding. If this happens for you, then you, too, will have experienced the real Saint Mary's, the Saint Mary's that I and more than 18,000 alumnae around the world

experienced during our time here.

Our proud 169-year tradition of educating women to make a difference in the world now includes you. It is your turn to make history at Saint Mary's College, and I know that you will change us for the better. I look forward to accompanying you on this exciting journey.

Carol Ann Mooney president Saint Mary's College Aug. 21

Leading Notre Dame in new directions

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I hope that Notre Dame challenges you in many ways. Your professors, your rector, your advisors and your classmates will encourage you to stretch yourself intellectually and develop on spiritual and personal levels. Take these opportunities to find a passion that matches your talents and allows you to lead a purposeful life. Dare to be different, yet be respectful and welcoming to all. Have a wonderful time, without engaging in behavior that would place you or others at risk. Expect much

of yourself, care for those in the community around you and reach out for support when needed. Explore new things while cherishing the people and traditions that matter. Embrace Notre Dame's distinctive Catholic mission and enrich your understanding of it through study and reflection. Contribute your own talents to improve the lives of others.

Much of your development at the University can and should occur on your own. At the same time, know that the Division of Student Affairs is available to support you through our residential communities and a variety of student service departments. Rectors and members of our hall staffs across 29 undergraduate halls and two graduate and family residences are dedicated to building Christian communities that are rooted in the Holy Cross tradition. The professionals who serve in Campus Ministry, the Career Center, the Center for Student Health Promotion and Well-Being, the Office of Community Standards, the Office of Disability Services, the Gender Relations Center, Graduate Career Services, Graduate

Student Life, Multicultural Student Programs and Services, RecSports, the Student Activities Office, the Office of Housing, the University Counseling Center, University Health Services and beyond are trained to provide specialized services and programming that will complement your development. All of us are eager to smooth and enhance the road that you will travel during your time at Notre Dame, and I encourage you to seek our help along the way.

I look forward to watching how your presence, energy and ideas renew and enhance our University. You will lead Notre Dame in new directions based on the paths that you pursue. May we all form a strong community and write the next chapter of this beloved institution together.

Best wishes and prayers for a successful year.

Erin Hoffmann-Harding vice president Office of Student Affairs Aug. 21

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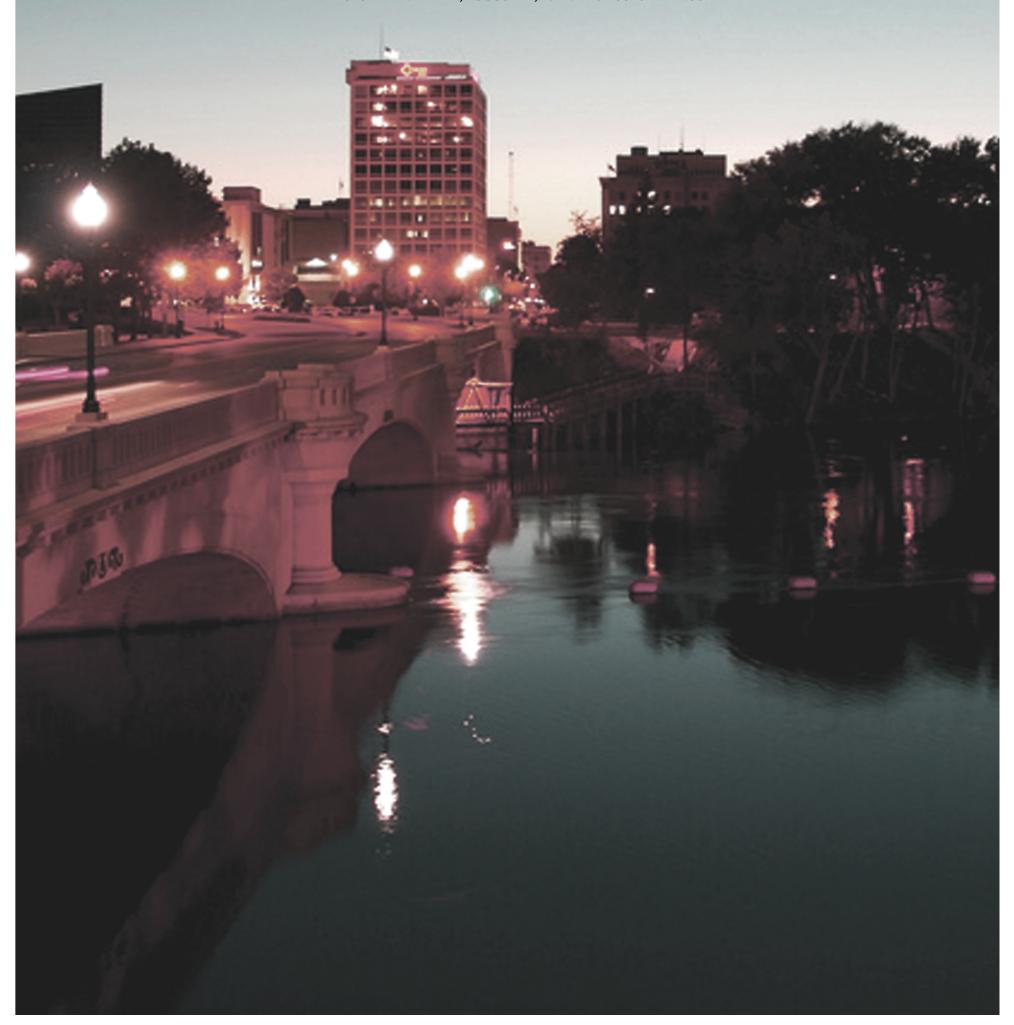
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With the beginning of the year upon us, we'd like to welcome new students to campus and provide a guide not found at Frosh-O or in welcome packets: the Notre Dame Style Guide. Below, you'll find valuable information about how to spot a Notre Dame student based on fashion alone. Don't forget to cut this out and keep it tucked away for your next shopping trip.



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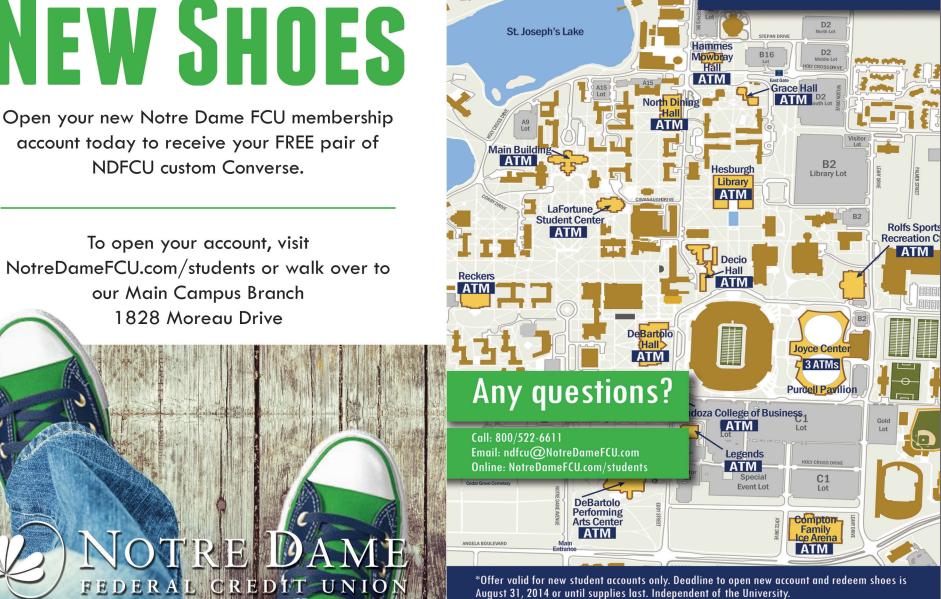
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"Boyhood"

Richard Linklater's 12-year long project, "Boyhood," is already being called a masterpiece. Starring Ethan Hawke, Patricia Arquette and now-19-year-old Ellar Coltran, the film began shooting when Coltrane was only 6 years old as he plays Mason, the son of a single mother (Arquette). "Boyhood" then shot every year, as Mason — and Coltrane — grew to age 18. The result is a cinema experience like no other: the ability to watch a character truly grow up on screen. "Boyhood" has been commended for both its ambitious and unprecedented length of production as well as its writing and acting, creating a one of a kind coming of age story.

"Guardians of the Galaxy"

If you haven't seen Chris Pratt in one of his many charming late-night interviews, you apparently haven't turned on your television. The "Parks and Recreation" actor has now solidified his place on the big screen as hero Star-Lord in the new Marvel Studios film "Guardians of the Galaxy." Pratt has also delighted all of America during his late-night roundup, and has recently been called the "male Jennifer Lawrence." "Guardians," also starring Bradley Cooper, Zoe Saldana and an always-hilarious John C. Reilly, was impressively entertaining. The film was funny, smart and stands out in the midst of the onslaught of comic-turned-blockbusters of late.

"Frank"

This bizarre but compelling indie comedy was just released Aug. 15, but has already received rave reviews and puzzled reactions. "Frank" stars Domhnall Gleeson, Michael Fassbender and Maggie Gyllenhaal as band mates. While the movie centers around Gleeson, reviews of the film give endless praise to Fassbender, who plays the bands mysterious and eccentric leader clad in a giant, cartoonish fake head. That's right, Fassbender's face is never shown, and he still steals the show. Fassbender even made an appearance as his character on "The Colbert Report" recently with the fictional band.

"Bad Feminist" by Roxane Gay

Roxane Gay is having quite the year. The writer, professor and co-editor of "PANK" magazine has been lauded for years for her short stories and poignant essays, but 2014 marks the release of Gay's first novel, "An Untamed State" as well as a collection

Bad Feminist Roxane Gay Photo courtesy of Harper Collins

of essays titled, "Bad Feminist." While you should absolutely check out her novel, "Bad Feminist" was released Aug. 5 to positive reviews and a spot on the New York Times' bestseller list. The essays include autobiographical stories

and commentary about race, gender and politics, and like most of the supremely talented Gay's previous Internet and print work, have received critical and popular acclaim.

"Colorless Tsukuru Tazaki and His Years of Pilgrimage" by Haruki Murakami

Fans of the hugely popular Japanese author Haruki Murakami celebrated the release of his newest novel, "Colorless Tsukuru Tazaki and His Years of Pilgrimage," with midnight release parties and bookstore openings. But while

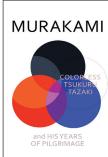


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Murakami's novel was released in Japanese more than a year ago, the English translation was just released to eager readers Aug. 12. The novel follows protagonist Tsukuru Tazaki and his quest as an adult to understand why his friend-

ships as a young man abruptly ended. The novel is Murakami's first after his threepart novel, "1Q84," which was released between 2009 and 2011 to mixed reviews, and the author released a special excerpt from the new book in "Slate" in July, only upping the anticipation of its full release this month.

MUSIC

Beyoncé's "Flawless" remix

In case it was not clear enough that Beyoncé ruled the world, the release of her "Flawless" remix, a collaboration with Nicki Minaj released Aug. 3, confirmed any remaining suspicion. Beyoncé not

only graced us again with an unexpected midnight release, but also addressed the Solange-Jay Z elevator scandal of the summer in an absolutely perfect



verse. With the addition of Nicki Minaj, the song was bursting with girl power and gave the Internet the best surprise of the summer.

Jack White's "Lazaretto"



Photo courtesy of Kris Krug

Jack White's newest release, "Lazaretto" wasn't just an album — it was a record making and record-breaking event. Musically, the album has received generally positive reviews, but the buzz surrounding "Lazaretto" has just as much to do with the way in which it was released. The former White Stripes' singer worked on songwriting for a number of years, but recorded and produced the album in only four hours. When the LP was pressed on vinyl, it included several hidden tracks and interesting quirks, making it a unique and interactive listening experience. And fans knew it: the vinyl sold 40,000 copies in its first week, breaking the record for most vinyl sales, once held by Pearl Jam for their 1994 LP, "Vitalogy." According to "Billboard," vinyl sales for "Lazaretto" came close to matching CD sales upon its release June 10.

"Sharknado 2"

As if 2014 wasn't already a strange year, the fact that the made-for-television, Syfy-original "Sharknado" sequel was one of the biggest television events of the summer is telling enough. After the original "Sharknado" premiered in July 2013 and drew in millions of viewers during subsequent airings, the tongue-in-cheek disaster movie about — you guessed it — a tornado of sharks got a sequel order from the SyFy network. Set in New York, "Sharknado 2: The Second One" starred Tara Reid and Ian Zeiring, both from the original cast, and included cameos from stars like Billy Ray Cyrus, Matt Lauer and Sugar Ray's Mark McGrath. The movie premiered July 30 to 3.9 million viewers, a record for SyFy. Like the first "Sharknado," the film became a Twitter craze, with celebrities tuning in and taking part in the collective joke.

"You're the Worst"

Promotion for FX's two new "post-romance" series "Married" and "You're The Worst" showed promise, with the former seeming to delve into less examined concepts of monogamous relationships in comedy series and the latter expecting to be yet another "friends with benefits" type sitcom, done in an edgier cable tone. What emerged over the course of the two shows' summer runs thus far, still, has been even more exciting. While "Married" has appeared a bit tamer and inconsistent; it, nonetheless, stretches far beyond the usual troubles of a sitcom husband and wife and provides laughs and heart along the way. However, despite cautions from early ads, "You're The Worst" has proven to be the more inventive and buzz worthy show. Main characters Jimmy and Gretchen are foils to each other's established noncommittal tendencies, vowing not to get too attached, while clumsily navigating their non-relationship. Beside them are two mildly insane best friends, with many of their own issues and complexities. The show boasts not only razor sharp humor, but often tackles relating classic pop culture phenomena in the most intelligent, sophisticated way since NBC's "Community."

SPORTS AUTHORITY

Debate inherent in sports world



Mary Green Sports Editor

With so much political and social turbulence happening around the world right now - the situations in Iraq and Ferguson, Mo., immediately come to mind – there's no shortage of debate.

Everyone – from political pundits on television and professors at America's most esteemed universities, to your next-door neighbor and the woman ringing up your groceries at the supermarket - has something to say about

But one of the most polarizing debates in the country happened earlier this week, and you know the talking heads and pretty much everyone else are going to start yapping again.

Brian Hoyer was named the Cleveland Browns' starting quarterback over rookie Johnny Manziel.

Can this be? Not Johnny Football - heck, the kid even has "Football" in his name! He and LeBron James were supposed to singlehandedly make Cleveland the premier destination in the Western hemisphere.

Looks like the guy America hates to love and loves to hate has finally been told he's not the best – at least for now.

You can all but guarantee this will be a topic of discussion on SportsCenter for the next few weeks, if not months, and it'll be brought up each Monday until Manziel is inevitably named the starter - which could be soon, based on the Browns' tough first half and how poorly they've fared in recent seasons.

But this is the best part about having an open forum for discussion: No matter how much an item of interest is debated, even until it's talked about ad nauseam, there will always be two people with opposing viewpoints willing to duke it out once more.

The viability of Johnny Manziel as an NFL quarterback. The risks versus the rewards of playing high-level football. Whether or not Tiger Woods will win one more major, let alone catch Jack Nicklaus' record.

All these debates go on around the country each day, and they are all debates that you can read about in this column, Sports Authority, in

each issue of The Observer. Every day, you can read a fresh opinion from one of our 10 writers about a countless number of controversial topics that make up so much of what you love about sports.

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So each day, we will come up with another point to add to the discussion. Sometimes, it will be funny. Other times, it will be serious. But every time, it will be worth reading.

And just because we all write for the same column does not mean we will all have the same opinions. We will sometimes have debates within the column, from day to day and writer to writer, about topics like the greatest athlete of the 21st century and the best sports venue.

We promise not to be onesided. We have writers who want Johnny Manziel to succeed and ones who want him to fail. Some of us think LeBron is the best to ever step foot on the hardwood, while others say he has a ways to go before he catches MJ. A few writers think the best way to spend a summer afternoon is perched atop the Green Monster at Fenway; others say nothing's better than a July day in the friendly confines of

And that's where you come in, because we know you have an opinion about all of this. Agree with us? Great, let us know. Think we're off our rockers? Let us know that, too. Email the writer. Conjure up a strongly-worded letter to the editor. Tweet at us (@ ObserverSports). We're here to talk, but we're also here to listen and to hear other opinions that make us look at things from a different perspective.

After all, only one quarterback will be able to start for the Browns, but so many people can have their voices heard when they debate which one it should be.

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NCAA

NCAA appeals O'Bannon antitrust lawsuit

Associated Press

The NCAA has notified the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that it intends to appeal a judge's ruling in the Ed O'Bannon case that it violated antitrust laws.

U.S. District Claudia Wilken ruled Aug. 8 that the NCAA broke the law by restricting schools from providing money beyond current scholarship limits to athletes. She said schools should be allowed to place up to \$5,000 per athlete per year of competition into a trust fund for football players and men's basketball players, which they could collect after leaving school.

A formal appeal has not yet been submitted, but NCAA chief legal officer Donald Remy issued a statement Thursday.

"We are appealing the Court's decision because we do not believe the NCAA has violated the antitrust laws," he said. "In its decision, the Court acknowledged that changes to the rules that govern college athletics would be better achieved outside the courtroom, and the NCAA continues

to believe that the association and its members are best positioned to evolve its rules and processes to better serve student-athletes."

Remy also noted that the NCAA has been discussing ways to improve the "student-athlete experience" even before the lawsuit was filed, and through the recent decision to give the five richest football conferences more power over the rule-making process.

What's unclear is how the NCAA's legal team will attack Wilken's ruling in a court that has traditionally been more favorable to labor, or in this case the athletes. A recent study from the University of Illinois shows the NCAA wins about 71 percent in the second and third rounds in court, and some believe this case could be headed the U.S. Supreme Court. Remy has promised to take it there, if necessary.

Earlier this week, NCAA officials declined an interview request with The Associated Press to discuss the case. But antitrust and labor attorneys believe the NCAA's strongest argument might be against the financial cap, a part of the decision the NCAA initially

"If she's right that these restrictions are an unreasonable restraint of trade then the cap doesn't make any sense," said Robert McTamaney, an antitrust lawyer with the firm of Carter, Ledyard & Milburn. "Then student-athletes should be able to negotiate for whatever they can get."

Labor attorney Joseph Farelli, who works for the New York-based law firm of Pitta & Giblin, said the NCAA had to file the appeal.

Otherwise, he noted, it could open the NCAA or its member schools to more potential litigation for athletes who are not receiving additional money, including women's athletes who could cite Title IX law.

"I would expect them to appeal it because now you're going to have a permanent injunction that says the NCAA can't regulate what colleges do with their student-athletes," said. "If they don't appeal now you have federal court precedent."

MLB | YANKEES 3, ASTROS 0

Yankees edge Astros at home to avoid sweep

Associated Press

McCarthy Brandon pitched a four-hitter and the New York Yankees avoided a three-game sweep, beating the Houston Astros 3-0

New York won for just the third time in 10 games. Chase Headley hit an early two-run double and the trying to become the first with flawless fielding.

The Yankees' fans also made fine plays — sitting in the first row behind the Houston dugout, comedian Chris Rock wound up with a foul ball off the bat of Astros rookie Jon Singleton, and he gave the souvenir to a young boy as the crowd cheered.

McCarthy (5-2) outpitched Dallas Keuchel (10-9) as they both threw complete games without a walk. The Yankees had been shut out in McCarthy's previous two

McCarthy struck out eight in his fourth career shutout and first this season. He was 3-10 with Arizona before being traded to the Yankees in

Keuchel gave up seven hits and struck out five.

The Astros had won three in a row overall. They were Stadium at least 20 games under .500 and sweep a series of three games or more since Milwaukee did it to close the 1972 season, STATS

The Yankees took a 3-0 lead in the second when a double by Martin Prado set up Headley's two-run double. Prado and Headley were the only two Yankees starters to previously hit against

Ichiro Suzuki added a sacrifice fly later in the inning.

Dexter Fowler hit a brokenbat double in the Houston fourth — the barrel reached the infield dirt, the ball twohopped off the right-field wall — that put runners at second and third. Marc Krauss followed with a hard grounder off McCarthy's leg and, after taking a moment to locate the ball on the grass, the lanky pitcher Yankees backed McCarthy team to come into Yankee zipped a throw to first that ended the threat.

> McCarthy escaped ansecond-and-third jam in the seventh when Singleton struck out — right after hitting a foul pop to the third-base side that Rock recovered — and retiring Carlos Corporan on a flyball.

> Shane Greene starts at Yankee Stadium against White Sox LHP John Danks (9-8, 4.94) on Friday night. None of the Chicago hitters have ever faced Greene.

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MLB | TWINS 4, INDIANS 1

Twins rally past Indians

Associated Press

Kennys Vargas homered and sparked rallies with two other hits, leading the Minnesota Twins past Corey Kluber and the Cleveland Indians 4-1 Thursday.

Phil Hughes (14-8) struck out eight over seven innings to forge a four-way tie for the American League lead in victories, with Rick Porcello, Max Scherzer and Scott Kazmir.

Trevor Plouffe put the Twins back in front with a two-run double in the sixth.

Kluber (13-7) had his winning streak stopped at six, despite eight strikeouts over seven innings.

Rookie Zach Walters homered for the third straight game for the Indians, who missed out on their first sweep of a road series this season and fell six games behind Kansas City in the AL Central.

The Indians also fell into sixth place in the AL wild-card race, remaining 4 1-2 games out of the second spot.

Hughes had a lot to do with that. He improved to 4-0 with

a 1.32 ERA in four August starts, avoiding a walk for the 14th time in his 26 turns for the Twins. He gave up five hits, with only the home run by Walters doing any damage.

Walters has four home runs and six RBIs in nine games since joining the Indians in the trade with Washington that sent shortstop Asdrubal Cabrera to the Nationals.

Vargas went deep for the fourth time in 19 games since he was promoted from the minors.

The long ball ended a scoreless streak of 20-plus innings and 64 outs for the Twins since they tallied five runs with their first five at-bats to start the series Tuesday night.

Glen Perkins pitched a perfect ninth for his 32nd save in 36 attempts for the Twins.

The 28-year-old Kluber has been a rock for the rotation in this breakout season for the Indians. Over his previous six starts, Kluber gave up only four earned runs over 47 2-3 innings on 27 hits, six walks. He did not allow a homer.

Kluber walked four and gave up six hits and three

runs.

For the Indians, Catcher Yan Gomes was replaced in the sixth inning by Roberto Perez because of illness. Right fielder David Murphy, who was placed on the disabled list Aug. 10 due to abdominal muscle tightness on his right side, has resumed core workouts but still feels discomfort.

Right-hander Alex Meyer, the top pitching prospect in the Twins organization, has been handled carefully with Triple-A Rochester because of shoulder trouble last season. Meyer has logged more than 123 innings already, but when asked if he could get a September call-up general manager Terry Ryan did not rule that out.

RHP Carlos Carrasco (5-4, 3.27 ERA) starts Friday for the Indians to open a three-game home series against Houston. RHP Brad Peacock (3-8, 5.47 ERA) pitches for the Astros. Carrasco takes his third turn since rejoining the rotation, following three months in the bullpen. He's pitched 12 scoreless innings, with five hits over the last two starts.

MLB | RAYS 1, TIGERS 0

Price loses to Rays in return to Tampa

Associated Press

The Tampa Bay Rays overcame a masterful performance by David Price.

Price allowed only a firstinning RBI triple to Brandon Guyer in his first start against his former team, and Alex Cobb and the Tampa Bay Rays beat the Detroit Tigers 1-0 Thursday to avoid a three-game sweep.

"It's weird," Guyer said. "I've never seen a win like that."

Ben Zobrist reached on a throwing error by shortstop Eugenio Suarez and scored on Guyer's hit. Price then retired his final 23 batters, nine on strikeouts, to finish an eightinning complete game.

Cobb (9-6) scattered two hits, walked two and struck out six over seven innings, improving to 7-0 in his last 10 starts. After Brad Boxberger worked out of an eighth-inning jam, Jake McGee got three outs for his 14th save and complete a four-hitter.

"What can I say, man?" Tampa Bay manager Joe Maddon said. "It really lived up to the billing prior to the game. Just happy we won."

Kevin Kiermaier, inserted as a defensive replacement in right field, made diving catch on Rajai Davis' flare with a runner on second and one out in the eighth.

Price, traded to the Tigers as part of a three-team deal on July 31, got a standing ovation while taking his warmup throws before the bottom of the first.

"That's probably as good as I've pitched in a game that went my way," Price said. "It's the least amount of hits I've ever given up."

Price, taken first overall by Tampa Bay in the 2007 draft, got the save in the Rays' Game 7 victory over Boston in the 2008 AL championship series and was the 2012 AL Cy Young Award winner.

"All the stuff leading up to the game was awesome," Cobb said. "Definitely, David deserved everything he got from the crowd and leading up to the game with all the hype."

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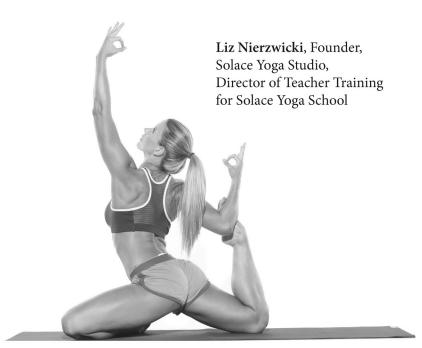
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PGA | THE BARCLAYS

McIlroy struggles

Associated Press

Rory McIlroy took a week to celebrate his blockbuster summer and paid for it Thursday in The Barclays.

McIlroy went 13 holes before he made his first birdie at Ridgewood Country Club and finished with a 3-over 74, his worst start to a tournament in two months. He was at least eight shot out of the lead in the opening FedEx Cup playoff event and in danger of miss-

For a guy who won two majors and a World Golf Championship in his last three starts, Boy Wonder actually looked human.

"Fatigue isn't playing a part," he said. "It's I think just not putting the time in that I probably should have over the past week. And I think I allowed myself that and deserved that. But this is the consequence of it and I need to work hard this afternoon and go out tomorrow and shoot a good number."

McIlroy established himself anew as golf's No. 1 player with a wire-to-wire win at the

British Open, a come-frombehind win at a World Golf Championship and a late charge at Valhalla to win the PGA Championship and become the third-youngest player with four majors.

"I wanted to enjoy it for a week," he said.

Hunter Mahan, the only player to have competed in all 29 playoff events since the FedEx Cup began in 2007, got off to the start he needed to extend that streak by at least a few more events. At No. 62 in the standings, he opened with a 5-under 66 and shared the early lead with Cameron Tringale and Charles Howell

Howell was on the opposite end of McIlroy. He had missed his last two cuts, so to open with three straight birdies was enough to wipe away some sour memories and get back to just playing. Howell made seven birdies on a course that allowed scoring with soft greens, and punished errant tee shots with its thick rough.

Ryo Ishikawa and Russell Knox opened with 67. Phil Mickelson had a 71.

McIlroy started out fine with a few reasonable birdie chances that he didn't convert on a couple of tough holes on the back nine. But from the right rough on No. 12, he came up short in a bunker, blasted that out into thick collar around the green and hit a flop shot out of the deep grass to 15 feet, missing the putt and taking double bogey.

On the par-5 13th hole, he laid up into the rough from a fairway bunker, caught a flyer and sailed over the green into a back bunker for another bogey. He went out in 40 by clipping a tree on the 18th hole and missing a 6-foot par putt.

McIlroy at least picked up a few birdies on the front, driving into a bunker on the "five-and-dime" fifth hole that plays 288 yards and getting up-and-down for birdie. He finished with a 30-foot birdie putt on the ninth hole.

His 74 ended a streak of 14 straight rounds under par — the last eight in the 60s and was his highest start to a tournament since he opened with a 74 in the Irish Open and missed the cut.

BASKETBALL | USA 105, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC 62

Rose rests knees as U.S. rolls to win

Associated Press

Derrick Rose heard the fans chanting his name, and yes, he would've loved to give them what they wanted.

But after missing most of the past two years and with still a long summer of basketball ahead, he's willing to take this return slowly.

"Just trying to protect myself, just knowing that this is a long, long schedule and this is the most basketball I'll be playing in two years," Rose said.

"I want to be out there, but at the same time my health is the No. 1 issue right now."

With Rose sitting out, Kyrie Irving started and made all five shots, scoring 12 points as the U.S. national basketball team beat the Dominican Republic 105-62 on Wednesday night in an exhibition game.

James Harden also scored 12 in limited playing time for the Americans, who used their subs for most of the second half. Rudy Gay and DeMar DeRozan each scored 13 points.

Rose and U.S. assistant Tom Thibodeau, Rose's coach with the Chicago Bulls, both said he was experiencing general soreness, though Rose was quick to point out it was nothing related to his multiple knee surgeries.

Rose's absence allowed U.S. coach Mike Krzyzewski to take a longer look at other players with cuts coming soon. The Americans have 16 players on the roster and have to get down to 12 before the upcoming Basketball World Cup.

"When we do eventually make decisions on the 12, it will be very, very difficult," Krzyzewski said.

Krzyzewski said there would be no cuts before Friday's game against Puerto Rico, and he said Rose would play that

Fans chanted loudly in the third quarter for Rose to get into this one, but Krzyzewski decided shortly before tip the Chicago Bulls star wouldn't

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Grant readmitted to Notre Dame

Observer Staff Report

Editor's Note: A version of this article appeared online May 28.

Senior guard Jerian Grant has been readmitted to Notre Dame, the University announced on May 28.

Grant was suspended for the spring semester for academic reasons.

"The University recently granted readmission to a group of individuals, and that group included [student-athlete] Jerian Grant," a University spokesperson said via email on May 28. Grant released a statement that he was no longer a part of the basketball program in December. Grant said he would not be enrolled at the University for the remainder of the 2013-14

The Observer.

school year due to "an academic matter that I did not handle properly."

"I take full responsibility for my lack of good judgment and the poor decision that I made," Grant said in the statement. "I have no one to blame but myself for the situation. I know and understand the expectations that go with being a student at Notre Dame, and I did not live up to those standards."

In the 12 games before the announcement, Grant led the team with 19.0 points and 6.2 assists per game. Grant, who was one of just five players on the preseason All-ACC team, declared his intention to return to the school and the team as soon as possible following the 2014 spring





Irish senior guard Jerian Grant dribbles downcourt during Notre Dame's 95-69 victory over Indianapolis on Oct. 28. Grant was readmitted to the University on May 28.

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TRACK & FIELD

Turner named head coach

Observer Staff Report

Editor's Note: A version of this article appeared online July 18.

Alan Turner, who served as Notre Dame's associate track and field coach the last two seasons, has been promoted to the role of head coach for the University's track and field and cross country teams, the University announced July 18.

Turner joined the Notre Dame staff in September 2010 as an assistant coach and was promoted to the position of associate head coach in October 2012.

"But track is a process. You do a lot of training for more than 40 weeks. So I know it's not always going to be perfect on day one, or great on day two."

Alan Turner Irish head coach

"Alan has earned this assignment based on his contributions to our program over the past four seasons," Notre Dame Director of Athletics Jack Swarbrick said in a press release. "He has an outstanding reputation in the track and field community, the coaching honors he has received are based on the top-notch quality of his work — and his promotion has been widely applauded by our team members."

Turner will replace Joe Piane, who retired in May after 39 seasons at the helm of the Irish track and field and cross country programs.

"I learned from Joe when to push certain buttons," Turner said to und.com. "When to be really firm to athletes and when to back off. When to push them hard and when to ease up. When to be the disciplinarian and when to be that comforting hand. I learned how to just keep options open and how to wear multiple hats as a head coach."

In his four years on the Irish staff, Turner has coached seven ACC and 17 Big East conference champions, as well as 18 first-team All-Americans. In this past season, he coached four ACC champions and 12 first-team All-Americans and was named a regional assistant women's coach of the year by the United States Track

& Field and Cross Country Coaches Association.

"What I learned, not only in these past four years but since I've started coaching, is patience," Turner said. "So many times, when an athlete doesn't get it right or doesn't execute with the effort that you thought, you want to hammer them and get on them.

"But track is a process. You do a lot of training for more than 40 weeks. So I know it's not always going to be perfect on day one, or great on day two."

Before arriving at Notre Dame, Turner spent five seasons at Southern Illinois, where he coached the men's and women's sprint and hurdle squads and the relay teams. Prior to that job, he served two seasons as an assistant coach at Proviso East High School in Maywood, Ill.

Turner graduated in 1992 from Indiana, where he was a three-time All-American in track and field for the Hoosiers. Turner won five Big Ten titles and served as a three-time captain for the Hoosiers.

"I hope [the student-athletes will be] excited,"
Turner said. "Certainly,
I hope the sprinters and
hurdlers will be, because
they've seen success. But
if you ask the others in the
other event groups, I'm engaged with all the kids. So
I'm going to bring a lot of
energy, a lot of excitement
— we're going to have a lot
of fun."

FOOTBALL

ND sets series with UGA

By BRIAN HARTNETT Managing Editor

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Notre Dame and Georgia will meet on the football field in 2017 and 2019, the University announced June 25

The Irish will play the Bulldogs at Notre Dame Stadium on Sept. 9, 2017 and at Sanford Stadium in Athens, Ga., on Sept. 21, 2019.

"These are two very attractive football games against a Georgia program that also has impressive history and tradition," Irish coach Brian Kelly said in a press release June 25. "[Georgia coach] Mark Richt has done an excellent job keeping that program at the forefront, both in the SEC and nationally."

Notre Dame and Georgia have never played each other in the regular season. The two teams did meet in the 1981 Sugar Bowl, where the No. 1 Bulldogs beat the No. 7 Irish, 17-10, to clinch that season's consensus national championship.

The 2017 game will also mark Notre Dame's first regular-season game against the SEC since Nov. 5, 2005, when it defeated Tennessee, 41-21. The Irish have since played two SEC teams in bowl games — they lost to LSU, 41-14, in the 2007 Sugar Bowl and fell to Alabama, 42-14, in the 2013 BCS National Championship Game.

"As our football schedules evolved with the start of our

FLOOR



Sophomore linebacker Jaylon Smith speaks to reporters during Notre Dame's media day Tuesday.

Atlantic Coast Conference competition in 2014, we had future games slated with top-drawer opponents in virtually all the major conferences," Notre Dame Director of Athletics Jack Swarbrick said in a June 25 press release.

"One exception was the Southeastern Conference, so we are pleased now to be able to check that box. These will be two contests that will have great national appeal, in part because our only previous matchup came in a bowl game."

In an interview with The Observer in May, Swarbrick said he hoped to schedule more games against the SEC in the long-term future.

"I hope we can create opportunities additional to play SEC opponents," Swarbrick said. "I think it's important for our strength of schedule. I think our fans are interested in doing that. I think opportunities existed anyway and hopefully that will only add to our ability to get some of those done, with the caveat that the inventory we have to work with is so limited that we're just challenged to take on too many additional games, we'll be spreading them out over time."

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have been improving on defense, trying to get a shutout every game that we play. Offensively, we've been working a lot on winning those one-on-ones."

Oakland is unranked, but Romagnolo said that at this point, Notre Dame is concentrating more on its own readiness than the strength of its opponent.

"It's opening weekend, everyone's still figuring out their own team, so for us it'll be about what we do and what kind of mentality we bring to the game," Romagnolo said. "It'll be about being in front of our home crowd, being aggressive on offense and

playing good defense."

With most of the university's upperclassmen returning to campus the same day the Irish face the Grizzlies, Romagnolo said she is optimistic a good turnout will give the team an edge, she said.

"Any time you're at home, there's more excitement," Romagnolo said. "We've got a great stadium at Alumni, so hopefully we have a lot of fans come out to see us play."

Notre Dame will face Illinois at the Illinois Soccer Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Friday at 1 p.m. and take on Oakland at Alumni Stadium at 3:30 p.m. Sunday.

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KEVIN SONG | The Observer

Irish sophomore midfielder Morgan Andrews dribbles the ball down the field in a 1-0 win over Syracuse on Sept. 19.





ZACHARY LLORENS | The Observe

Irish junior midfielder Patrick Hodan takes a corner kick against Pittsburgh on Nov. 1. Hodan is Notre Dame's leading returning scorer, with 11 goals last season.

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forward Vince Cicciarelli said.

"It's safe to say we are confident enough to repeat and take the title again," Cicciarelli said. "It's unspoken that we are not looking back, that we are looking on improving game after game and practice after practice to get to where we were last year."

The Irish lost forward Harrison Shipp to graduation. Shipp, a 2013 Hermann Trophy finalist, led the offense with 12 goals and 10 assists.

"Harry will be missed," Clark said. "If you're a good team, you're going to lose good players at graduation—it's the nature of the beast. Our offense will not be the same as last year, and one of the challenges this season will be filling Harry's shoes."

However, Notre Dame has a roster of 10 returning players who started over 50 percent of last season's games and returns 75 percent of the team's scoring production.

"A lot of players will need to step up," Clark said. "[Fifth year senior forward] Leon Brown will have to take on a bigger role and really become a serious player on the offensive end. Vince, who in the final game had a bad fracture, is back fit. The young freshmen, including forward Jeff Farina and midfielder/forward Jon Gallagher are showing quite well in preseason."

While the Irish attack realigns itself, the midfield returns a solid depth to the pitch. Junior midfielder Patrick Hodan is the top returning scorer for the Irish, with 11 goals and five

assists last season.

Hodan and senior midfielder Nick Besler, who had one assist, were both named fourth-team preseason All-Americans and first-team preseason all-ACC. Hodan and Besler will look to fellow midfielders — including seniors Brendan Lesch and Robby Gallegos and junior Connor Klekota — to help strengthen the midfield further.

Defensively, the Irish return fifth-year seniors Andrew O'Malley and Luke Mishu at defense, goalkeeper Patrick Wall, and senior defender Max Lachowecki, as they look to fill the void of Grant Van De Casteele and maintain their solid defensive front that gave up only 18 goals in 2013.

Though the Irish have been hard at work this preseason fine-tuning their own depth, they also took time off the field this summer to volunteer in HIV facilities in Zimbabwe. The team took a three-week trip, where the players helped children in HIV clinics and played soccer with them as part of the Grassroot Soccer program.

"The experience was life-changing," Cicciarelli said. "All the luxuries we have here in the U.S., we didn't have there. I realized how fortunate we are as a collegiate team. It changed our outlook and showed us how important soccer is in the world and how it connects so many people, that once you're on the field it's just a game."

The Irish head into their last preseason game of the season against No. 21 Wisconsin on Monday at 7 p.m. at Alumni Stadium. The game will benefit Grassroot Soccer and Notre Dame's efforts in Zimbabwe.

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Irish senior receiver DaVaris Daniels comes down with a catch in the loss to Michigan on Sept. 7, 2013. Daniels is one of four football players part of an investigation into "academic improprieties" by the University.

Investigation

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not been suspended or dismissed from the University, despite media reports to the contrary.

"At this juncture, no one has been judged responsible for academic dishonesy, no one has been dismissed from the University and no sanctions have been imposed and no judgment has been made," Jenkins said.

Jenkins did not give a timetable for the investigation.

"We'll go as quickly as we can, but our emphasis will be on thoroughness," he said.

Both Jenkins and Swarbrick offered their support for Irish coach Brian Kelly.

"We have great confidence in Brian and his staff," Jenkins said. "And they have been nothing but supportive and helpful in our investigation."

Kelly spoke publicly about the investigation following morning practice inside Notre Dame Stadium on Aug. 16.

Kelly said Swarbrick notified him of the investigation into "academic improprieties" on Aug. 14.

"For me, my emotions were shock and disappointment at the time," Kelly said.

The head coach did not provide many more details on the investigation but did say he won't be involved in it. Kelly referred to himself as a "bystander" during the process and said he has not been interviewed by investigators and doesn't expect to be.

"It's a privilege to play at Notre Dame," Kelly said. "It's not a right. And we hold our players to a very high standard at Notre Dame. I believe Notre Dame to be vigilant on that end. We don't say one thing and do the other. I'm proud of Notre Dame in the way that they act. We don't look the other way. If we find improprieties as it relates to this matter, we're going to address them and deal with them."

In the past two years, Notre Dame has dealt with multiple high-profile academic issues. Senior quarterback Everett Golson was suspended for the fall 2013 semester for what he called "poor academic judgment," and Daniels missed the spring 2014 semester due to academic problems as well.

"I applaud the University for doing that," Kelly said. "Now, along the way, I've lost a starting quarterback and some key players. But I came here because I wanted to be associated with a university that had those standards."

Swarbrick drew a distinction between the previous situations with Golson and Daniels and the current investigation.

"Let's not confuse academic probation — where you don't make grades in a semester with academic dishonesty," he said. "They are very different things."

The four players will be welcomed in the Guglielmino Athletics Complex and are able to eat with the team, but the

quartet won't be at practice, play in games or participate in meetings for the time being.

"They remain students at the University," Swarbrick said of the four players. "They remain grant-in-aid students and they continue to have the benefits associated with being a grant-inaid student — meals, access to training room. ... We're simply holding them out of practice during this investigation."

Jenkins declined to address how many students are involved and how far back the investigation could reach, but the press release stated that if the investigation determines that the four players "would have been ineligible during past competition, Notre Dame will voluntarily vacate any victories in which they participated."

Kelly and the Irish have just over one week until they begin their season against Rice on Aug. 30. He made clear he doesn't want to "jump the gun" and indict the four players. But Kelly said Notre Dame is preparing to face the Owls without Daniels, Moore, Russell and Williams.

"I care deeply about the four young men," Kelly said. "But I've got a job to do. And I've got another 100 players that I have to be concerned with.... My focus is on my football team."

Notre Dame begins the regular season against Rice on Aug. 30 at Notre Dame Stadium.

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been an excellent one in that we've been able to really get a lot of things accomplished, offensively, defensively and special teams," Kelly said. "We've prepared this football team; we've seen it really come together as a group."

Kelly said senior quarterback Everett Golson locked down the starting quarterback position to pretty much solidify the offense, and the defense is ready for action, despite having to learn a new defensive scheme.

The young Irish team "devoid of a huge senior class," will have a lot to handle, as its schedule is consistently ranked the toughest in the country, with away games at Florida State, Arizona State and USC. True freshmen, on both sides of the ball, will get a shot to prove themselves as starters during the regular season.

"We have a lot of inexperienced players playing for us this year, and they'll get that opportunity playing the toughest schedule in the country," Kelly said. "We will grow up quickly."

Despite the inexperience and strength of schedule, Kelly will finally be able to implement an offensive scheme similar to his days at Cincinnati. And with former Grand Valley State colleague Brian VanGorder at defensive coordinator, speed will reign supreme.

"We'll play fast on offense, we'll play faster on defense and we'll all together be

excited to watch this football team play and grow as the season progresses," Kelly said.

With all of the changes to the football program, Notre Dame will have a new look, also. Kelly unveiled the Under Armour home and away jerseys, as well as the Shamrock series jersey for Notre Dame's game against Purdue at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis on Sept. 30. Under Armour took much of its inspiration for the jerseys from the Golden Dome and Main Building.

"They've really taken the time to look at Notre Dame and our unique qualities and put them in what we're representing in our uniforms," Kelly said. "Now our players just need to play really well in those cool uniforms."

Kelly said he lost four kids he cared about, as Irish senior receiver DaVaris Daniels, graduate student linebacker Kendall Moore, junior cornerback KeiVarae Russell and senior defensive end Ishaq Williams have to sit out until investigations into "academic dishonesty" are concluded, but that the team had to continue on playing.

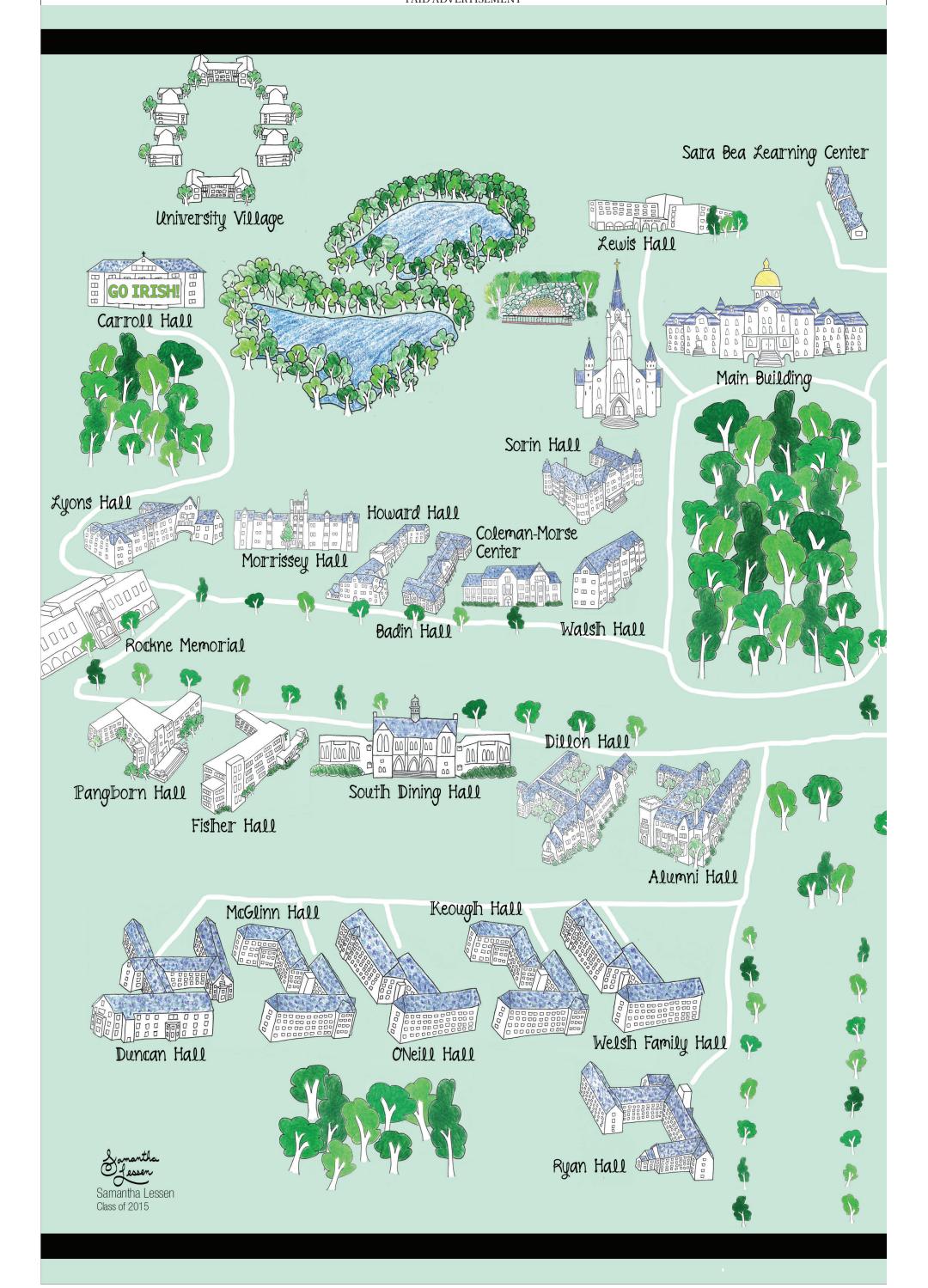
"Our players moved on quickly from it, and we just immediately treat is as next man in," Kelly said. "Get the next guy ready, and that's how we have always operated here."

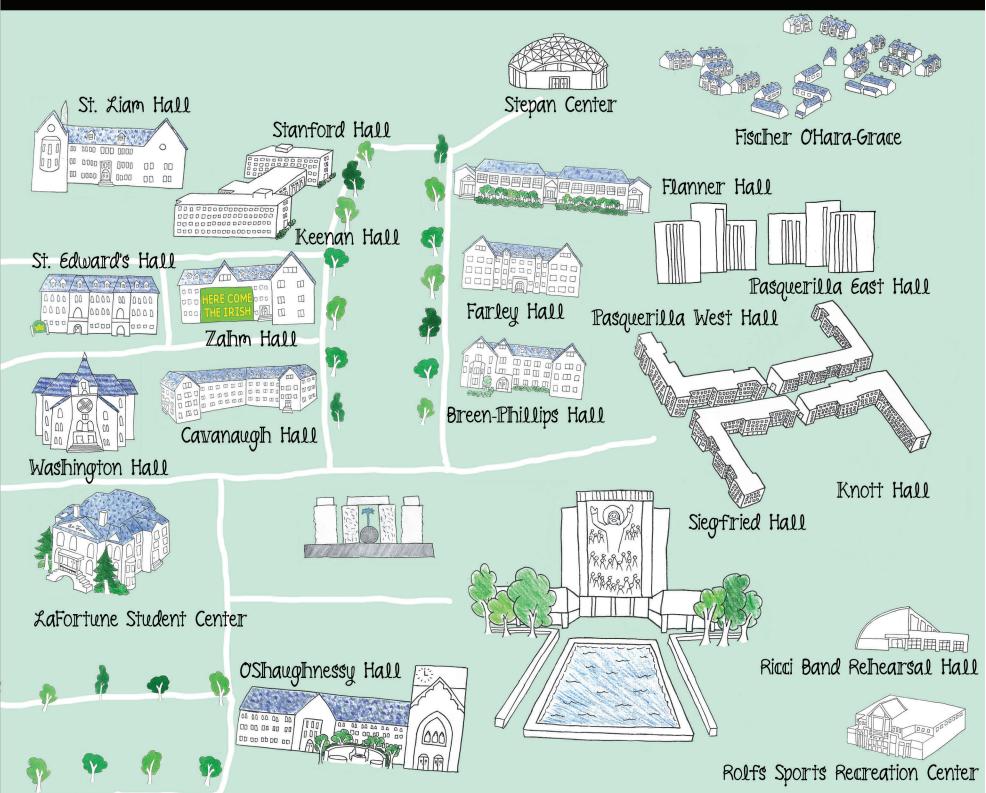
Notre Dame will open its season at home against Rice on Aug. 30.

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The 2014 Shamrock Series uniform is displayed at the Guglielmino Athletics Complex at Notre Dame media day Tuesday.





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SPORTS

FOOTBALL

University begins investigation

By MIKE MONACO Senior Sports Writer

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Notre Dame confirmed that it is investigating suspected academic dishonesty by several students, including four members of the football team.

The University issued a press release Aug. 15 and held a press conference with University President Fr. John Jenkins and Director of Athletics Jack Swarbrick that evening.

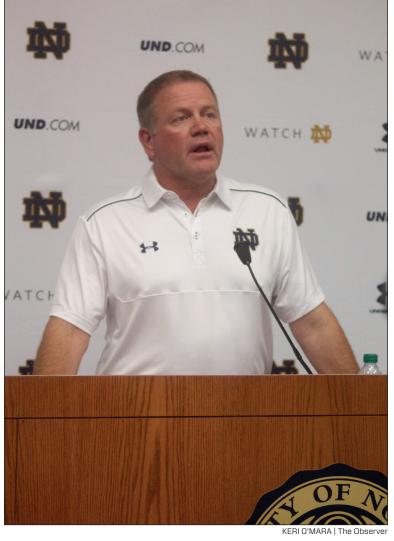
The press release stated there was evidence "students had submitted papers and homework that had been written for them by others." According to Notre Dame, the evidence was referred to the compliance office in athletics July 29, and the Office of General Counsel initiated an investigation, which is still ongoing. Notre Dame notified the NCAA on Aug. 15, according to

Swarbrick confirmed reports that senior receiver DaVaris Daniels, graduate student linebacker Kendall Moore, junior cornerback KeiVarae Russell and senior defensive end Ishaq Williams are being held out of practice and competition during the investigation. A source close to the team told The Observer that the four players in question were at the Guglielmino Athletics Complex the morning of Aug. 15 but were not present for practice.

"Based on the investigation to date, we had reached a point where we concluded that those four student-athletes should be brought in, and we should have a conversation with them as part of the investigation," Swarbrick

Swarbrick and Jenkins each made clear the four players have

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Irish coach Brian Kelly addresses the press at Notre Dame media day Tuesday. Kelly unveiled the team's new uniforms during that time.

Kelly hosts media

By ISAAC LORTON

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Irish head coach Brian Kelly provided the press with a "state of the football team" address during Tuesday's football media day. Kelly covered preseason camp, the overall outlook of the Irish, the new Under Armour uniforms and touched briefly on the four players under investigation for academic dishonesty.

Notre Dame kicked off its preseason camp at Culver Military Academies in Culver, Ind., and have continued the training back on campus.

"Our preseason camp has

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MEN'S SOCCER

Notre Dame kicks off at No. 1

By KIT LOUGHRAN Sports Writer

After an incredible 2013 season that crowned them with their first NCAA title, the topranked Irish are set to kick off their 2014 campaign.

The defending national champions enter the 2014 season ranked No. 1 in multiple preseason polls, including the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) and the BennettRank.

Notre Dame's 2-1 win over Maryland in the national title game landed it an overall record of 17-1-6 in 2013.

The Irish posted a 7-1-3 conference record last season their first in the ACC — which earned them a shared conference title with Maryland.

Irish coach Bobby Clark said his 2014 squad is looking forward, with no pressure to repeat last season step-by-step.

"I think that last season is one for the history books," Clark said. "It had many great memories, but this is a new season, and it won't mirror. Our first objective is to get enough wins to get into the tournament. If you get in the NCAA tournament, you've had a good year, and the further you go, the better the year it becomes.

"Before we can think of



Irish senior forward Vince Cicciarelli runs towards the ball in a win over Wake Forest on Dec. 1 at Alumni Stadium.

the national championship again, what we have to say is, 'Can we actually get into the tournament?""

The players think they can

defend their title, but like Clark, agree the path to victory will be entirely unique, senior

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Romagnolo to make ND debut

By RENEE GRIFFIN Sports Writer

The No. 16 Irish will play their home opener against Oakland on Sunday at Alumni Stadium, following their first game of the regular season Friday against Illinois in Champaign, Ill.

Expectations are high in 2014, as the team finished 13-8-1 last year and advanced to the NCAA tournament for the 21st two preseason exhibition games, Notre Dame defeated Illinois State, 4-0, and tied Northwestern, 2-2.

"This team is accustomed to being ranked," Notre Dame coach Theresa Romagnolo said. "The goal is always to finish high."

However, competing in the stacked ACC, the schedule for the upcoming season should present many challenges for the team. Notre Dame, ranked No. 6 in the conference's preseason poll, is one of eight ACC teams in the preseason NSCAA top 25 poll.

The Irish return several leaders, including seven of

11 starters from last season. Among them are two junior captains - midfielder/ defender Cari Roccaro and defender Katie Naughton, who both played on the U.S. Under-20 National Team this summer at the 2014 FIFA Women's World Cup. Notre Dame also brings back last season's ACC Freshman of the Year, midfielder Morgan Andrews.

"I think we've got a great squad, a lot of returning consecutive season. In players and 11 freshmen who are making a case for themselves as well," Romagnolo said. "I'm interested to see who starts to emerge as impact players, both starters and players off the bench. I think there's a lot of depth and a lot of talent this year."

> Romagnolo said she is pleased with the team's level of preparation going into the fall.

> "I think we're doing a lot of things really well for this early in the season," Romagnolo said. "Some of the things that they've been focusing on as a team

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