

*The Observer remembers the victims of the 9/11 attacks and the rescue teams who responded with bravery.*

## Students organize tributes to 9/11 victims

*Campus groups host a variety of events to commemorate 14th anniversary of national tragedy*

By **MARGARET HYNDS**  
News Editor

To commemorate the 14th anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, several groups on campus have planned events throughout the day.

In conjunction with the Young Americans for Freedom club on campus, student government director of constituent services John Kill organized a Presentation of the Colors by a tri-military ROTC color guard at 9:20 a.m. at the South Quad flagpole, a campus-wide moment of silence at 9:30 a.m. and a prayer service at 1:30 p.m. also at the South Quad flagpole.

Kill offered details of the events in a statement to the student body. "Student Government is asking

that students request of their professors to perform a minute long moment of silence on Friday, September 11," Kill said. "Student Government has drafted a form letter that can be presented to professors."

According to Kill, the National Anthem will play following the Presentation of the Colors, after which the Basilica bells will toll for one minute to conclude the exercise.

Fr. Peter Rocca, rector of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, will preside over the prayer service, which will last about 40 minutes, according to Kill.

Student body vice president Nidia Ruelas said she and student government leaders felt compelled

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*Flags on South Quad represent those who lost their lives during the tragic events of 9/11. This year, students will acknowledge the anniversary through a campus-wide moment of silence at 9:30 a.m.*

## Artist recounts career, past pieces



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*Artist Jake Fernandez speaks about his past and current works in Riley Hall on Wednesday evening.*

By **SELENA PONIO**  
News Writer

Artist and filmmaker Jake Fernandez gave a lecture in the Riley Hall of Art and Design about his artistic journey and current projects Wednesday.

Fernandez was born in Havana, Cuba, and received degrees from the University of Florida and the University of South Florida. He is best known for his durational art — artistic pieces that have implications of work done over time.

"I have worked on things for 10, 20 and 30 years ... building on one particular aspect or concept over a long period of time," Fernandez said.

Fernandez talked about how his journey as an artist began in his early childhood and how he became aware of the power of provocation and two-dimensional work at an early age.

"My very first impression of the power of 2-D work was this very

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## Survivors advocate activism

By **NICOLE CARATAS**  
News Writer

Andrea Pino and Annie Clark, co-founders of End Rape on Campus (EROC) and featured figures in "The Hunting Ground" — a documentary released this past spring that highlights the issues of sexual assault on college campuses — gave a presentation called "A Culture of Commitment: Everyday Activism and Supporting All Survivors" at

Saint Mary's on Thursday. The event was sponsored by the Saint Mary's Department of Gender and Women's Studies.

Pino and Clark began their talk with a moment of silence in honor of all those who have lost their lives as a result of sexual assault, including Saint Mary's student Lizzy Seeberg, who committed suicide five years ago Thursday. Both women then shared their personal stories of sexual assault.

Clark said she was sexually

assaulted by a stranger. She said despite the common misconception that most rapists are strangers, her case is actually rare and most sexual assaults are committed by people close to the survivor.

Clark said she decided to seek resources to help her, not for adjudication, but for personal healing and well-being.

She said she was blamed for her assault and was told to look

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## Choir performs at SMC

By **MEGAN UEKERT**  
News Writer

The Ugandan Kids Choir, a ministry of Childcare Worldwide, performed in Little Theatre at Saint Mary's College on Thursday. According to the their website, Childcare Worldwide's global mission is to "build a bridge between concerned people in the West and children in the developing world, to help meet their spiritual and physical needs through a ministry that emphasizes education and is based on the Gospel of

Jesus Christ."

Choir tour leader Susanna Spaid said the choir has been raising awareness and sponsorship for child poverty since 2006. She said the children are able to perform nationwide, mainly at churches and schools, but they have also performed at Disneyland, CenturyLink Field — home of the Seattle Seahawks — and on the steps of the White House.

According to Spaid, the choir is on an 11-month tour around the United States performing

traditional Ugandan music and dances. The choir is made up of five girls and five boys all of whom are eight to 12 years old. All of the children come from an impoverished life and many are orphans.

"They have the opportunity outside poverty to achieve their dreams," Spaid said.

She said on their tour, the children travel with four adult leaders — two of whom are from Uganda and two from the United States.

"We as tour leaders act as their

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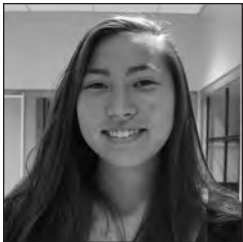
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As part of Support a Belle, Love a Belle (SABLAB) week, the South Bend Humane Society brought four dogs and a rabbit to Saint Mary's on Wednesday afternoon. SABLAB promotes mental health awareness among students and fosters a sense of unity on campus.

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Friday

**PEMCo presents “Ordinary Days”**  
Washington Hall Lab  
7:30 p.m.-9 p.m.  
Student musical theatre performance.

Saturday

**Men’s Soccer vs. Clemson**  
Alumni Stadium  
7 p.m.-9 p.m.  
The Irish take on Clemson.

Sunday

**ND Women’s Soccer vs. Michigan**  
Alumni Stadium  
5 p.m.-7 p.m.  
The Irish take on Michigan.

Monday

**European Empires Lecture**  
Morris Inn  
4 p.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Imperfect Visions of Imperial Pasts

Tuesday

**Men’s Soccer vs. Xavier**  
Alumni Stadium  
7-9 p.m.  
The Irish take on Xavier.

**ND Women’s Soccer vs. Indiana**  
Alumni Stadium  
7 p.m.-9 p.m.  
The Irish take on the Hoosiers.

**ND Volleyball vs. Penn State**  
Purcell Pavilion  
7 p.m.-9 p.m.  
Part of the Golden Dome Invitational.

**One Hundred Years of Automobile**  
Snite Museum of Art  
2 p.m.-4 p.m.  
Public exhibition and automobile collection.

**Panel Discussion**  
Hesburgh Center  
5 p.m.-6:30 p.m.  
The Iran Nuclear Agreement: Is It a Good Deal?

**Workshop: “Getting Started in Research”**  
110 Brownson Hall  
4-5 p.m.  
Learn research strategies.



# SMC lecture examines significance of soil

By KATHRYN MARSHALL  
Associate Saint Mary's Editor

Norman Wirzba, professor of ecology and rural life at Duke Divinity School and author of several books, explained the scientific and theological significance of soil on Thursday in a lecture titled "For God So Loved the Soil." He said over the past 100 years, the human relationship with soil has shifted in such a way that by harming the soil, humans are also harming themselves.

"This is a totally new situation we find ourselves in because we now have more people in cities across the world than on the land," Wirzba said. "This matters, because human beings are growing up without any deep appreciation for why land matters. We are terrestrial beings, which means we draw our very life from the soil.

"And if we don't know

anything about the soul, we are more likely to become negligent, or even worse, abusive."

Human abuse of the soil increased during the 20th-century period known as the Green Revolution, when more minerals and pesticides were added to soil alongside root-destructive farming techniques, all of which degrade the life of soil while increasing calorie output, he said.

"We had this relationship to the land that was the direct result of your day-to-day livelihood ... you had to get your hands in dirt," Wirzba said. "What we've done is change the way we treat the soil. Instead of thinking about soil as a complex reality, we have come to think of soil as a receptacle for certain kinds of minerals we need to grow food."

Along with being an environmental concern, care for the soil is also a vocation of humanity,

he said. The complex mineral element interactions of soil provide the flavor and nutritional value of foods as well as valuable kinship with the surrounding environment, Wirzba said.

"If you despise the ground, you despise the creatures that depend upon it," Wirzba said. "The relationship that joins us to the land becomes very clear once you start to trace patterns of health and ill-health in different forms of organisms in the circular chain."

From a theological perspective, Wirzba said humans have always had a connection to the soil. Indeed, he said the name "Adam" comes from a Hebrew word meaning "from the soil."

According to Wirzba, in the Garden of Eden, God is not depicted as a warrior but a gardener working close to humanity.

"This is a God on his knees holding soil so close as to breathe into it the life that is human ...

you are an en-soiled being, not just an ensouled being," he said.

Wirzba said working in a garden — such as the way Adam works in the Garden — should be viewed as an invitation to develop humanity and better see the world as God does. He said working with soil provides valuable life lessons.

Wirzba said the idea of caring for the soil is relatively new to humanity, but that there are ways to re-shape today's culture. There is research being done on regenerative and organic forms of agriculture which take into account the integrity of the soil, he said.

"By not learning to love the land, the place you are in, you have not been able to experience the reality that the land loves you back," Wirzba said. "Fertile soil is the place where God's love becomes active, and why would you want to pull away from that?"

Senior biology major Cinthya Benitez said she was impressed with the lecture and appreciated the new perspective on the human relationship with soil.

"The relationship with the soil goes beyond ourselves," Benitez said. "There were a lot of interesting ideas I had never thought of before, like how we are connected to the soil through Adam and also so interconnected with everything else."

The lecture was the first of four in a series titled "Earth, Water, Air and Fire: Theology, Ethics and the Elements of Life," sponsored by the Center for Spirituality. The series intends to look at the environment through the lens of theology in response to Pope Francis' recent encyclical, "Laudato si." The next lecture will be Sept. 29.

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## Assault

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back and see what she did wrong and what she could have done to prevent it. Clark said this led her to start a program for survivors to report assaults anonymously and to seek help.

Unlike Clark, Pino said she was assaulted by someone she knew. She said she was involved in educational programs on the

issue of sexual assault and believed she knew how to handle cases properly until it happened to her.

"I thought I knew what my resources were, and I thought I knew what the signs were," Pino said. "But I didn't when it came to me because it's not what we think it is. It's not strangers. Sometimes it is a person who could also get your degree. Sometimes it is a person in your class."

Pino said she reported through the system that Clark had created, and this showed her she could help better the way campus sexual assault is handled even as a student.

"I still wear my UNC class ring," Pino said. "To us, being Tar Heels meant holding our school accountable. It meant that we had to push for a better Carolina because the Carolina way could not be the Carolina way if students were being

assaulted and not graduating."

However, Clark said it can be difficult to effect change because of resistance from university administrations.

"A lot of time, administrations are scared," Clark said. "Really, what we want to do is make sure that everyone knows their rights, that you're working with your administration. Because if you love something, you have to hold it accountable, which is what we were trying to do."

Clark also said the problem of sexual assault is not confined to any one college, but rather is characteristic of campuses across the United States.

"This isn't a one-campus problem. UNC is actually a microcosm of a national epidemic," Clark said. "It's not just Harvard or Yale or Notre Dame or UNC. It's actually the same thing everywhere, and we need to do something about it."

They then went into detail about the legal proceedings regarding campus sexual assault. They said Title IX gives students access to equal education, which covers sexual assault because those incidents impede survivors from receiving equal education.

The Clery Act is another important piece of legislation that requires universities to report on-campus crimes and send timely warnings to students, they said.

They said the Campus Save Act also requires campuses to report crimes in addition to including an adjudication process for interpersonal violence and stalking. Finally, they talked about the Title II act, which grants survivors access to resources if they suffer from depression, post-traumatic stress disorder or other psychological problems after their assault.

The two women went on to talk about what students can do to participate in activism pertaining to sexual assault on

campuses.

"There needs to be some clear, outlined understanding of procedures between Saint Mary's, Notre Dame and Holy Cross," Clark said. "That just needs to happen because students are so transient among those three campuses. Also, I would find allies ... and work with them on these issues."

"What we call 'Everyday Activism' is the radical notion that everyone can play a part in ending violence and oppression by resisting rape culture, supporting survivors and challenging our institutions," Pino said.

She said it means not only challenging schools but also challenging other institutions such as the criminal justice system and the overall society that sees women as disposable objects.

Students can partake in this activism, Clark said. She said self-care and self-preservation are important as a particular form of activism.

Both she and Pino said believing survivors and making sure survivors knows that they are not alone is crucial to addressing the problem.

"Believing survivors is radical," Pino said. "It seems to be the only crime in which no one is believed; It's always alleged. It seems as if sexual assault never happens. Really, believing survivors, sharing the stories, believing those who come forward — that itself is radical. ... We need to hold others accountable."

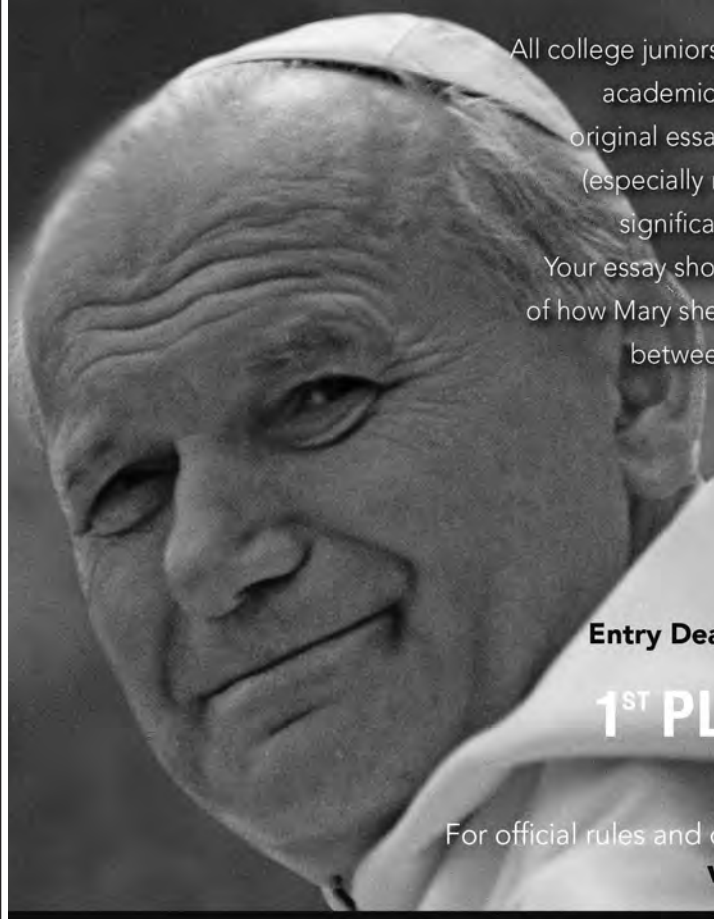
"When someone comes forward and tells you they've been sexually assaulted the first thing you should say to them is you believe them, the second thing you should say is they're not alone and the last thing you should say is it's not their fault. These are oftentimes the three things survivors never hear."

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## Artist

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small black and white picture of Elvis Presley ... in one of the national magazines," Fernandez said. "It appeared almost animated."

He said in high school the constant repetition of painting still-life pieces gave him an understanding of technique at a young age. He said it was intuition that led to the realization of his desire to become an artist.

"I don't know that was something I strived for," Fernandez said. "There was very little there to encourage me. I just had this feeling that that's what I should be doing."

He said musicians and their styles of music had more of an influence on him than artists and painters due to the complexity and understatement of their work.

"I would work in layers, one layer over the other, like [musician] Les Paul used to do with his multi-track recording," Fernandez said.

During the premature years of his career, Fernandez worked exclusively with texture and black and white. He said he restricted himself to black and white for five years because he believed "color starts to immediately define forms" and he wanted to tackle certain layers individually.

"I decided to strip everything down and start working at one level at a time and try to understand

painting," Fernandez said. "I started working with texture to try and understand how that particular track felt and how it fit with what it was that I wanted to say."

Fernandez cited "plausible reality" as a recurring theme in his works and showed how most of his pieces displayed images that varied in appearance depending on the distance of the viewer. For example, his Hidden Mandala project conveys a pixelated effect from afar, but can be seen as a composition of squares of laminated wood when examined close-up.

"Your mind is the one that connects those dots ... you'll see it in a very individual way," Fernandez said. "What you see has a lot to do with individual perception, what you bring to it."

The artist said many of his pieces involve layers and collages, best seen in his duration art which is a fusion of concepts thought of years ago, and current ideas and perspectives. Remaining loyal to his early discovery of the power of provocation, Fernandez said he drew inspiration from parks in New York City and the Florida landscape to create collages and other forms of visual art.

"I was interested in finding places that were very ordinary," Fernandez said. "[I wanted to] turn it into something that was visually exciting and not just common."

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## Anniversary

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to take part in the planning of commemoration events.

"I think that what's really important to think is how it's one of the biggest tragedies that we've faced in our lifetime; it's so particular to our history and it's a part of what defines us as a generation," she said.

Of the Notre Dame family, she said the commemoration events fit in with the spirit of the University.

"This is what we do as a community: We come together. We pray. We remember when something tragic happens."

In addition to student government's planned events, the Notre Dame College Republicans (NDCR) will host a screening of "American Sniper" in the Montgomery auditorium of LaFortune Center at 7 p.m. Friday.

Junior Dylan Stevenson, the club's vice president, said the group chose to screen that film in particular "to commemorate the deadliest attack on the U.S. mainland by reminding people that the United States did not roll over in the face of terror."

"The United States stood tall in the face of its enemy and fought back," he said. "The showing of this film reminds people of that fact and draws attention to her noblest sons and daughters who have lost minds and lives to defend her."

Tess Rawlins, director of the NDCR political action committee (PAC), emphasized the importance of remembering those who

served in the armed forces.

"[Sept. 11] should be a day of reflection but also of celebration, celebration of the men and women who wake up every morning and defend our country," she said. "Whether it's policemen and fireman who served us well in 2001 or soldiers like Chris Kyle, these men and women have proved themselves heroes and deserve our admiration."

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## Choir

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parents, bus drivers, mentors and teachers," Spaid said. "We currently work in nine countries around the world and we are able to continue this program through sponsorship. Our program lasts through trade school so that way the children are set up for future employment and so that they are able break the cycle of poverty."

During the performance, the children introduced themselves

and told the audience what they wanted to be when they grow up. They aspire to become nurses, doctors, pilots, teachers and engineers.

Together the children said, "Greetings from Africa. We are happy to be here."

At the end of the show the children went into the crowd and danced with audience members.

Nancy Menk, chair of the department of music which sponsored the event, said the concert offered Saint Mary's students a glimpse into the music of other

cultures.

"It's a great opportunity for our music education majors to see and hear authentic performances of African music," she said. "This presentation is another example of Saint Mary's College's increasing emphasis on global studies and intercultural activities."

For more information on sponsorship and volunteering with the Ugandan Kids Choir, visit [www.ugandankidschoir.org](http://www.ugandankidschoir.org)

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# HIBERNIAN LECTURE

Friday, September 11, 2015 | 5:00 p.m. | McKenna Hall Auditorium

## Gillian O'Brien

Liverpool John Moores University (UK)

Gillian O'Brien will deliver a talk on the topic of her latest book, *Blood Runs Green: The Murder that Transfixed Gilded Age Chicago* (University of Chicago Press, 2014).

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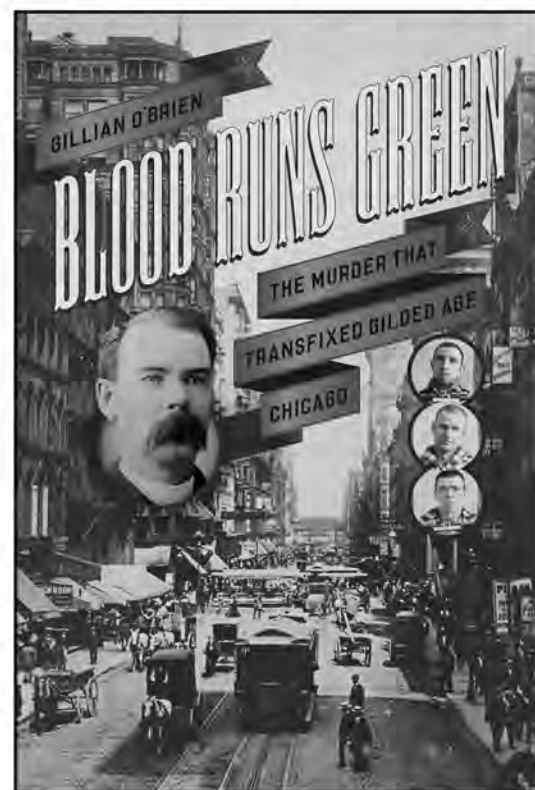
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By **MIKO MALABUTE**  
Scene Editor

“A Season With Notre Dame” premiered on the Showtime network this past Tuesday, leaving viewers — fans and foes — purring for more. Going into the season premiere, I held my own reservations about the show: Would it try to be too much in the likeness of HBO’s “Hard Knocks” series? Would we see enough of the players on and off the field? Would we even get to see all of the players, or would it just be the stars on the squad? Lo and behold, the 30-minute premiere kicked off what is sure to be a smash-hit season covering this year’s squad.

First off, there is something to be said in how this series is “only” TV-14. The language was mild, which is surprising considering how many (fairly or unfairly) expected Coach Brian Kelly to really not hold back (à la Coach O’Brien of the Houston Texans). However, anyone who

watched the first episode saw that Coach Kelly — especially when interacting with his quarterback Malik Zaire — didn’t need to get his point across with a constant stream of F-bombs or anything like that. The cameras caught Coach Kelly speaking with an air of directness and determination, which translated to his players’ performance on the field.

Being the first episode, a large portion of the 30 minutes was dedicated to showing the storylines of the players heading into training camp. Practices were fast-paced and intense, and viewers felt like they were directly sitting in on the practice to witness the team start to gel as a unit — as well as feel the weight behind Sheldon Day’s devastating tackles.

“A Season With Notre Dame” also offered plenty of opportunities for viewers to take part in the off-the-field lives of the different players. Jaylon Smith’s passion for bowling was thrust to

centerstage, which finally shed some light behind his on-the-field celebration (the large sweeping “bowling” motion). The cameras also followed the well-publicized, touching moment where Josh Anderson, senior walk-on running back, was surprised with a scholarship. However, where the episode really shined was in following Anderson as he went into a private area to call his father and mother, trying to hold back tears of joy while he informed them of his success. It was honestly impossible to not get choked up listening to his mother congratulate him on his hard work and sending her love. Joe Schmidt was front and center as one of the team’s captains, but still maintained a down-to-earth attitude when cameras followed him on his “last first day of class.”

There were many other players who were covered, too many to list — although personal favorites of mine were seeing Jerry Tillery shine after being thrust into a large role following

Jarron Jones’ injury, as well as seeing Corey Robinson playing the ukulele and singing. But the episode brought the focus back to where it all started, with the football. The episode ended covering the Irish victory over the Texas Longhorns last week, providing excellent camera angles and production in an already-sweet victory.

Even after one episode, it already feels like this season has all the makings of being a success. The show was concise, but still felt full with content and plentiful storylines. Viewers at home were afforded the opportunity to see through the eyes of the players and coaches without it feeling overly exposing. And the show never forgets its bread and butter, as it beautifully captures the hard work, frustrating struggles and beautiful accomplishments that surround the game of football.

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By **DAKOTA CONNELL-LEDWON**  
Scene Writer

Say hello to the perfect concert to help you say goodbye to summer. The Summer Set is coming to Legends of Notre Dame and promises to bring to mind heartbreaks and house parties galore.

The group’s music ranges from carefree to surprisingly tongue-in-cheek — but all consistently energetic; check out some of their less-appropriate songs like “The Boys You Do (Get Back at You).” Brian Logan Dales, the lead vocalist, has just the right amounts of edginess and power in his voice to lend the band’s carefree, happy sound some depth.

Described as everything from “alternative rock” to “emo pop” to “pop rock,”

The Summer Set will appeal to any college student: Who hasn’t had a summer fling, an unrequited love or a hangover? Who hasn’t been up past 3 a.m. worrying about ridiculous things for zero reasons?

The band sings about all that and more, combining catchy lyrics with strong guitar and drums to produce music that fits any mood besides despondency. You want relatable pieces about heartbreak, anger, excitement or nervousness? You got it.

At this concert, you’ll be dancing no matter what — whether it’s to yearning slow bridges of songs like “Chelsea,” in which Dales sings, “But no, I won’t give that call / You’ve got so much to give / I’ve got nothing at all,” or to the energetic, bass-driven “Lightning in a Bottle,” whose chorus boasts, “We don’t need

gravity here in the afterglow / Yeah, we’re rolling with the thunder / Now take a breath, we’re going under.”

It’s okay to be a little jealous of their musical genius — these people were performing and producing music when they were still in high school. Although The Summer Set started as a relatively small band with their first EP released in 2007, the group is growing steadily more popular.

Originally from Arizona, The Summer Set has now been all over. They’ve opened Alternative Press’s AP Tour, toured with bands like Never Shout Never, All Time Low and Yellowcard, and played at the Vans Warped Tour, among other music festivals.

Their most recent album, “Legendary,” came out in 2014. Be on the lookout for

some of their older songs at the show, particularly anything from “Love Like This,” one of their catchiest albums.

Judging from Legend’s propensity for bringing to campus artists who are on the edge of blowing up, it’s obvious that The Summer Set is only going to get bigger from here. That means that now is the ideal time (and maybe your only chance) to see them in a small, intimate venue like Legends. Essentially, if you’re looking for some bouncy, feel-good music and a great show, this is it.

The Summer Set performs at Legends at 10 p.m. this Friday. Admission is free to Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross students with their school I.D.

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## INSIDE COLUMN

# Being a Bieber guy



**Miko Malabute**  
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Around The Observer office, I have somehow, someway come to be known as the “Bieber guy.” For whatever reason, whenever people have had an issue with the megastar, I have been one of the few with sound mind and clarity to come to think about his situation rationally. This is misconceived as me “defending” him, even when he has not needed any defending. It’s a tough hat to wear, being a “Bieber guy,” especially after giving a quick scroll through his Instagram comments and seeing all of the actually irrational fans flooding the comment sections. However, I will reluctantly wear the hat — not because I love his entire catalogue (even though he does have quite a few great songs), not because I’m a fan of the image he’s putting out (although he does have great hair and fashion sense) or even the way he carries himself (despite the fact that it is quite literally impossible to live in the limelight that he does day in and day out), but because as a fellow human being living in the 21st century, I can only imagine what I would do in his position.

Back in 2012, Bieber was accused of reckless driving, and people pounced on the opportunity to publicly criticize and scrutinize the child superstar after his long reign on top of the pop culture world. However, it seems as if people have forgotten what it was like when they all first got their driver’s license — people were quick to act as if they never got behind the wheel alone for the first time and pretended as if they were on the set of “Fast and Furious,” only to get their first speeding ticket. Then, in 2014 Bieber was charged for vandalism in California for throwing eggs and according to video evidence, proceeded to high-five his friends. Now I’m not going to defend vandalism at all — I’m actually quite against it, and when walking around downtown Los Angeles, it irks me whenever I see the distasteful graffiti (especially when it’s the horribly rushed-looking type). But with that said, this charge of vandalism was not graffiti, it was not spray painting on sides of historical buildings. It was egging — a poor, unwise decision, but still not vandalism in the same stratosphere as spray paint graffiti. Bieber was also most recently charged with dangerous driving in 2014 and was allegedly engaged in a physical altercation. However, it was later learned that he was acting out in response to the “unwelcome presence of paparazzi.” Now, again, I am not defending his decision-making here — it’s no joking matter once it comes to human lives. But I am being absolutely serious when I urge people to imagine what it must be like to have no sense of privacy at all. You’re entire life is scrutinized and constantly in the public eye, and you can never let down your guard. That has been Bieber’s reality before he even reached puberty.

I don’t defend Bieber because I’m an irrational fan. I’m not a “Bieber guy” just for the sake of being one. I simply, rationally think about what it must be like to be like him and live his life — for the good and the bad.

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# Biden: Democrats’ best option

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Mr. Precedent

Joseph R. Biden, Jr. has served as vice president of the United States for two terms. The Vice President’s primary duty is to be ready to replace the President if he is ever incapacitated. His election to serve at Barack Obama’s side means that his party and his country believe he is qualified to take the reigns of the country should the occasion ever arise. This simple fact, as well as a number of other factors, make Biden the Democratic Party’s best option for holding onto the White House come 2016.

I want to preface this by saying that I am a Republican. At the moment, I would really like to see Jeb Bush, John Kasich or Marco Rubio elected POTUS, with any of the three serving as VPOTUS to the nominee. It is exactly for that reason that I hope the Democratic Party nominates Hillary Clinton as its presidential candidate. I would relish nothing more than to see the Democrats take a step backward by choosing Clinton. She’s a wealthy, disconnected moderate with no passion, charisma, relatability or record to present as qualifications (in other words, Clinton is what Democrats characterized Mitt Romney as in 2012). She’s the exact direction the Democrats chose not to follow in 2008 when they chose the young, liberal, populist movement championed by Obama. Clinton is the default candidate, but nothing more. People aren’t excited about her; they’re just “alright” with the idea of her becoming POTUS. Generally, people aren’t passionate about another Clinton presidency, which is evidenced by the surge of Bernie Sanders, who was supposed to be nothing more than a minor gadfly to the Clinton candidacy. That translates wonderfully for Republicans, because that means she won’t be able to motivate volunteers or young people to help on her campaign; it means voters won’t be excited to turn out to the polls like they were in 2008 and 2012.

It is because I am a Republican that I am actually worried about Biden running for president.

Biden has served as U.S. Senator from Delaware from 1972 until 2008 when he took office as vice president, during his tenure in the Senate he served as Chairman of both the Senate Foreign Affairs and Senate Judiciary Committees. He also has substantial legislative accomplishments to boast about, such as the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, which included the Federal Assault Weapons Ban and Violence Against Women Act; he describes the VAWA as his “proudest legislative accomplishment.” He continues to speak and work for change on these issues as they again reach the top of American political priority; he’s done so by spearheading White House efforts on firearm violence and sexual assault. His favorability within the Democratic Party is at a sky-high 71 percent, according to a recent Monmouth University poll. In the same poll, he is outpacing Bernie Sanders to take a

second-place 22 percent to Clinton’s 42 percent in the presidential preference poll. That may seem like he has a lot of distance to make up, until one considers the fact that he hasn’t yet announced he will be running and Clinton has been running for five months. Biden is also a very charismatic figure, exemplified in that anytime he makes some public gaffe, as bad as it might be, the public typically never seems to doubt his genuine intent and is willing to laugh it off. In short, he can outmatch Clinton in every category when it comes to personal characteristics and qualifications. The only hurdle he would have to overcome is the Clinton campaign machine, which is no small feat.

However, this wouldn’t be the first time he’s faced impossible odds.

In 1972, two-term incumbent U.S. Senator from Delaware, J. Caleb Boggs, was about to coast to reelection with support from all levels of his party all the way up to the President Richard Nixon. Boggs was a former three-term congressman and two-term governor in Delaware and no one decided to run against him except for a county councilman and Democrat named Joe Biden, Jr. Biden had virtually no money and, during the summer months before the November election, was down 30 points against Boggs. However, Biden was able to overcome opponent incumbency and the campaign cash disadvantage to become Delaware’s next United States Senator at the young age of 29 (he turned 30 before he assumed office).

Now, Biden doesn’t face such disadvantages. Sure, a presidential election is obviously very different from a Delaware senate election, but he is wiser and in a much better position than he was when he began. Donors in the Democratic Party are worried about Clinton’s candidacy as more and more issues surrounding relatability, media relations and her inability to adequately deal with her e-mail missteps while Secretary of State continue to arise. The liberal wing of the party has been hoping for someone such as Elizabeth Warren or Sanders to inject some passion back into the party. Donors and liberals alike seem like they would be more than happy to support a better candidate, and they may just have one in Biden. Then there’s Obama, the party’s de facto leader, who has long demanded and rewarded loyalty. Biden has been loyal to Obama and helped him in his efforts and, though Obama may not end up endorsing Biden, his refrain from endorsing Clinton would speak volumes.

Biden could beat Clinton for the Democratic nomination, and he would be the best person to unite the Democratic Party to deliver another relief to the Republicans. Biden would be wise to jump in, and Democrats would be wise to follow my advice and nominate him.

As for me, I hope they nominate Clinton.

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# Better define our expectations

## THE OBSERVER EDITORIAL

Sometimes important milestones don't get the attention they deserve.

While students at Notre Dame were busy trying to find the right classroom on the second day of classes, Aug. 26, the Office of Community Standards (OCS) sent an email about its new Expectation of Responsibility policy. This policy is similar, but not identical, to medical amnesty and "Good Samaritan" laws many states and colleges across the country have put in place.

Notre Dame student government has prioritized medical amnesty for years, and the content of the new Expectation of Responsibility is hugely important. Unfortunately, in the chaos of the beginning of the school year, we feel many students may have mentally marked the OCS email as just another blast email and ignored its important message. Like OCS, we believe student safety is the most important issue on any college campus, and therefore, it is necessary to fully and clearly explain the Expectation of Responsibility.

The clause guarantees underage students will "be exempt from the assignment of Disciplinary Status Outcomes" — defined as "Disciplinary Probation or dismissal from the University" — if they get medical attention for another student who needs it. This is true even if the University's alcohol or controlled substances policies have been violated.

Put simply, if you seek emergency medical assistance for a fellow student, and alcohol or drugs were involved, you will be protected against dismissal from the University and disciplinary probation, defined as "a specific period of observation and evaluation of a student's conduct." A student who is on disciplinary probation "may not participate in an international study abroad program or any other off-site University academic program."

We feel it is also important to note this exemption applies to the student who receives the medical attention. If you receive attention for a medical emergency after heavily drinking or drug use, you are also protected from dismissal and disciplinary probation.

This exemption does not include repeat offenders. The Expectation of Responsibility states it is "intended to create an environment where a student ... will change their future behavior," and therefore those who have repeated "alcohol and/or drug-related incidents involving the need for medical attention" may still be subject to Disciplinary Status Outcomes at the University's discretion.

This is a monumental step in the right direction here at Notre Dame. Before this year, a policy of this kind never existed in du Lac, in contrast to both Saint Mary's and the state of Indiana, which have both had medical amnesty clauses since 2012.

The policy lays out a clear three-step process students are expected to follow. First, in situations that require emergency medical attention, students must "proactively contact an appropriate authority (i.e. Notre Dame Security Police, residence hall staff, 911, etc.)." Second, until those authorities arrive, students are expected to "remain with the individual requiring medical attention," and third, "cooperate with responding emergency officials." If students fulfill those three requirements, they have fulfilled the Expectation of Responsibility policy.

But we feel there is still room for improvement. As we have said, Notre Dame clearly lays out the expectations for students to be granted medical amnesty under the Expectation of Responsibility policy. However, we are concerned the University fails to clearly define how students can expect to be treated once they invoke this policy.

Under the current Expectation of Responsibility policy, the only clear expectation a student can have is what won't happen: They will not be subject to dismissal from the University or disciplinary probation. While this is important, what will actually happen to them is far less clear.

According to the policy, "the student [who helped another] may be referred to an appropriate setting of the University Conduct Process for a conversation grounded in formation and development." After this conversation, a student may still be subject to "formative and/or professional referral outcomes."

The same applies to the student who received the medical attention, except in addition to the "formative" and "professional referral" outcomes there may also be "administrative and/or loss of privilege outcomes."

As far as we can tell, this means students may still lose on-campus housing privileges if they are living on campus when the emergency occurs or may be subject to other punishments, from written assignments to random drug screening to bans from specific areas of campus. There is too much room for inconsistent outcomes if the policy is not clear enough.

This concerns us. We want to make our community as safe as it can be, and this new policy definitely helps in that regard. However, since the University clearly outlines the expectations for students, we believe this needs to be a two-way street. If students know exactly what to expect when they seek medical attention for themselves or another person, we believe there will be more of an inclination to err on the safe side and seek help.

When a student sees another student in need of medical assistance, the last thing that should be on anyone's mind is what will happen to them if they help. If the students and the University are completely in sync on this matter, our community will reap the benefits.

Though we are not there yet, we believe the Expectation of Responsibility policy moves us in the right direction towards keeping students safe.

# Pope declares journalism doesn't require facts

Luis Erana Salmeron

Guest Column

"In an unexpected but much needed statement from the Vatican, the controversial leader of the Catholic Church has officially decreed that it is now morally OK to publish made-up 'facts'. He also has commanded all priests to forgive those who have sinned by pointing out the falsehood of said 'facts', but only if the mischievous rascals seek confession between 5:52 p.m. on Sept. 29 through 4:41 a.m. on Nov. 16 of the following year."

I really hope at this point you realize I just made that up. Yet it appears people can really get away with publishing made-up facts nowadays, particularly regarding the Holy Father and the Church. Last week Pope Francis issued a statement that essentially said all Catholic priests would have the authority to absolve the sin of abortion during the upcoming Holy Year of Mercy. Such statement, taken for what it really is, shouldn't be a big deal for the general population, primarily because most priest already have said faculty. For those unfamiliar, when a person goes to confession he or she asks for forgiveness for the sins committed. Although the person is really asking God for forgiveness, the priest is an intermediary of sorts who listens, advises and gives God's absolution. While all priests have such faculty, when it comes to very grave sins (like abortion, which is after all the sin of terminating another human life) it is up to the Bishop (the priest's superior) to carry out the confession. Nevertheless the Bishop can pass down the authority to give absolution for an abortion to his priests, and as it turns out, many Bishops do so. All that Pope Francis did (as the superior of the Bishops) was say that during this year where the focus is mercy, all priests will have the authority to forgive the sin of abortion. It is important to note the Pope reiterated a) abortion is a very serious sin, and b) God forgives all sins

and wants every person to find their way back to Him.

The day after the Vatican issued the statement, I saw a headline in a newspaper that said something like, "Pope Shifts Abortion Policy." I simply laughed to myself thinking of the surprise people were in for when they read that in fact the Pope had reiterated the Church's position on abortion as sinful and had only fine-tuned how people seek forgiveness for it. Nevertheless, over the next 24 hours I would come to realize this was no laughing matter. While I didn't pay attention to that particular news article, I later ran into what Damian Thompson called "the worst piece of religious reporting ever," referring to an article by Tom Kington in the Times. I am not familiar with either author, but after reading a couple of lines from Kington's article I quickly came to agree with Thompson. The problem with Kington's article, titled "Pope offers forgiveness to women who had abortions," was not that it was written uncharitably or in a hostile language (although arguably not the best qualities for a professional writer), but rather that it straight up had its facts wrong. Even the article's subhead was severely misinformed, claiming the Pope "ordered" priests to absolve women; giving someone authority and ordering someone to do something are significantly different.

To make things worse, I soon ran into another article by Julia Hartley-Brewer in The Telegraph, which, as it seemed, wanted to give Kington's "worst piece of religious reporting" a run for its money. Not only was her article tremendously opinionated for the News section of the journal (instead of being in the Opinions section) but it was, just like Kington's, terribly misinformed. Hartley-Brewer produced lie after lie in what seemed an article written for The Onion instead of The Telegraph. The worst claim was perhaps saying women could be "forgiven by priests for the coming Jubilee Year as a once-in-a-Pope's-lifetime offer." She also stated that given the Holy Year starts in December, women will have to wait a

few months before they can be absolved. To use Hartley-Brewer's own words, "Honestly, I'm not making that last bit up."

The problem here is greater than letting journalists get away with writing clearly-biased pieces. It's the fact that they are publishing lies as facts. Treating any of the mentioned articles as opinion columns still does not absolve the writers from making false claims and using them as the starting point of their critiques. No matter if the piece is an opinion or a news story, it is unethical either way if the facts are made up. Nevertheless, let's give these authors the benefit of the doubt and assume they genuinely thought what they wrote was factual; even so, the consequences are still very real. When people read these misinformed articles they themselves become misinformed. On Friday, a Viewpoint by an alumnus was published on a different topic, yet coincidentally he referenced the Pope's actions as "[he] shattered another rigid practice by embracing those within our Church who were previously shunned — remorseful women who had sought atonement for their abortions." While my fellow author was seeking to give an example of humbleness, he unfortunately referenced something that never happened. The Pope didn't do away with any rigid practice of denying women forgiveness for abortion, because the Church has never had such policy (nor can it ever). Yet it is articles like those in The Times and The Telegraph that spread this damaging misinformation to the world. And keep in mind I'm only writing here about a single statement Pope Francis made. Just type "Pope Francis said" into Google. Or don't, because you likely can't trust most of what you find.

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## SPORTS AUTHORITY

# Opening Week must change



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The best game of the opening week of college football wasn't in Blacksburg, Virginia, or Evanston, Illinois, nor was it in Dallas, Salt Lake City, Minneapolis, Houston or Charlotte, North Carolina.

It happened in Missoula, Montana.

The weekend before FBS play started, No. 1 North Dakota State, the four-time defending national champion in FCS, squared off with No. 12 Montana, a team that used to be as dominant as North Dakota State in the early and mid 2000s and is now on the rise again.

Facing a fourth and goal from the one-half yard line with six seconds left in the game and the host Griz down 35-31, red-shirt junior running back Joey Counts took the handoff and was about to jump over the pile of humanity forming at the goal line. Instead, though, he made one of the best cuts I've ever witnessed and squeaked through into the end zone off the left side.

Griz 38, Bison 35. Final score.

What a start to the college football season, I thought to myself at the time — and not just because I'm from Big Sky Country. I was so excited for the next weekend when FBS action started, so sure the game I had just witnessed was a great omen.

Before it even started, however, I already knew I'd be sorely disappointed. And I wasn't let down.

When I first heard Montana and North Dakota State were kicking off the season, I immediately started getting excited for it. When I looked at the rest of college football's opening weekend, though ... nothing.

In the only matchup of the weekend featuring ranked teams, Alabama and Wisconsin was largely a snoozer. Ohio State on Monday night took all the drama out of its rematch against Virginia Tech. TCU finally woke up to avoid an upset bid from Minnesota, while Texas A&M rolled Arizona State, and North Carolina couldn't hold on to the ball long enough to earn a win

over its neighbor to the south. Northwestern pulled off the only noteworthy FBS upset of the weekend in about the most Northwestern way possible, defeating No. 24 Stanford, 16-6, in an ugly, sloppy and defensively-dominated bore.

The NCAA owes BYU and Nebraska a spot in the college football playoff this year: if not for the Hail Mary grab by Cougar senior receiver Mitch Mathews, the first week of the season would have been an absolute waste instead of just a total loss.

But I guess that's what happens when 45 of the 85 FBS games this weekend featured an FCS opponent against an FBS team.

That statistic is absolutely absurd.

Even Mother Nature was sick of it: Toledo versus Stony Brook and McNeese State versus LSU, would-be game numbers 46 and 47, were both cancelled part of the way through the game due to inclement weather.

Those screaming at the NCAA to reduce the number of games on the schedule have a perfect example to use now. It would have been better if this weekend had never been played.

From the fan's perspective, what's really that enjoyable about watching your team beat up another team 69-6, like Georgia Tech over Alcorn State? Same with Clemson's 49-10 beating of Wofford. How about Ole Miss hanging 76 on Tennessee-Martin, Navy's 48-10 beating of Colgate, Appalachian State's 49-0 drubbing of Howard, or Miami's 45-0 shut-out of Bethune-Cookman?

Was this weekend even worth playing? The NCAA has said player safety is one of its top priorities, but the very fact this weekend happened doesn't support that stance at all.

When the best and most interesting game of the opening weekend was between two FCS teams, college football needs to address the problem.

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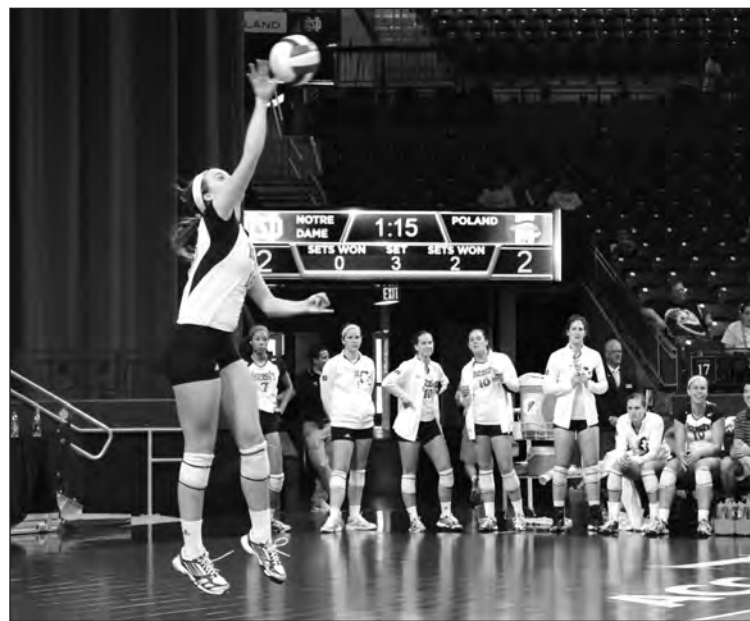
so changed and we're getting there. Each day, each practice and each game, we keep refining ourselves and getting better."

It won't be easy to get past Penn State, who is arguably the highlight opponent of the Invitational for the Irish given their ranking. The Nittany Lions have yet to lose a single set this season, and one of those shut outs was against No. 3 Stanford.

Higgins, who is one of three upperclassmen on the team, said new Irish head coach Jim McLaughlin has prepared them well leading up to the Invitational.

"Starting in the spring, when he [McLaughlin] got here, in practice, he'll set up situations for us," Higgins said. "Say it's 24 to 23, game point on Penn State. You've got to play every play in practice just like you would be playing in that situation. Obviously they have a great history and a great team, but we have nothing to lose. We're excited to play against great competition, and it'll probably draw the best out of us."

Notre Dame ranks on the bottom end of most statistical categories in the ACC six games into the season, but there are individuals that have



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**Junior captain middle blocker Katie Higgins jumps for a serve during an exhibition match against Polish club team Dobrowa.**

been impressive for the Irish thus far. Sophomore setter Maddie Dilfer currently ranks fourth in the ACC in assists, averaging 9.85 per set. Freshman libero Ryann DeJarld has also ranks as one of the top defenders in the conference. She's averaged 4.08 digs per set, which is 54 more digs than anyone else on the team.

Sophomore outside hitter Sam Fry, who leads the Irish in kills with 75, said it is going to take more than just their game plan to walk away from the Golden Dome Invitational with wins.

"We're going to work on our mentality," Fry said. "We have to be gritty, being confident

and having positive attitude."

Higgins was quick to agree with Fry on her thoughts for the keys to playing well this weekend.

"Grit is really big," Higgins said. "It's defined as passion and perseverance, and that game [against Penn State] is definitely going to show it."

Excited to show the country they're not the same team from a year ago, the Irish are ready to compete in this year's Golden Dome Invitational, which starts Friday against Mississippi State at 7 p.m. at Purcell Pavilion.

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**MLB** | MARINERS 5, ROCKIES 0

# Cruz gets to 40 HRs, Mariners blank Rockies

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Nelson Cruz reached 40 home runs for the second straight season, Felix Hernandez pitched three-hit ball for eight innings and the Seattle Mariners downed the Texas Rangers 5-0 Thursday.

The Rangers were shut out for the second straight day. Their lead for the second AL wild-card spot was cut to one game over idle Minnesota.

Texas missed a chance to gain on AL West-leading Houston and fell 2 1/2 games behind the idle Astros.

Cruz missed the previous six games because of a strained right quadriceps. He matched his career high for homers set last season with Baltimore, connecting for a two-run shot in a three-run seventh.

Hernandez (17-8) struck out eight and walked four. He tied Houston's Dallas Keuchel for the most

victories in the AL.

Derek Holland (3-2) worked seven innings, allowing all five runs and nine hits.

The Rangers were blanked in back-to-back games for the first time since July 2013 at Cleveland. They have been shut out four times on their 10-game road trip.

Cruz became the fourth different Mariners player to hit at least 40 home runs in a season. Ken Griffey Jr. did it six times and Alex Rodriguez and Jay Buhner had three each. Rodriguez was the last to do it with 41 in 2000.

It was Cruz's 14th home run this year at Safeco Field, the most in a season at the ballpark since Jose Lopez in 2008.

Mark Trumbo's two-run homer in the first extended his hitting streak to a career-high 12 games. He's batting .375 with five home runs and 11 RBI during the string.

**Trainer's Room**

Rangers: Slugger Josh Hamilton will have arthroscopic surgery on his ailing left knee Friday. The team is hopeful he can return before the end of the season.

Mariners: LHP James Paxton, on the DL since May 29 with a strained left middle finger, threw a bullpen session Thursday morning. If he feels OK Friday, he will start Sunday, his first since May 28. ... OF Franklin Gutierrez (strained right groin) missed his sixth straight game.

**Up Next**

Rangers: RHP Colby Lewis (14-8, 4.68 ERA) will make his fourth attempt at a career-best 15th victory, at home against Oakland. He has struggled his past three starts, going 0-3 with a 8.62 ERA. He is 9-4 with a 3.08 ERA in 25 career starts against the A's, his most wins against any opponent.

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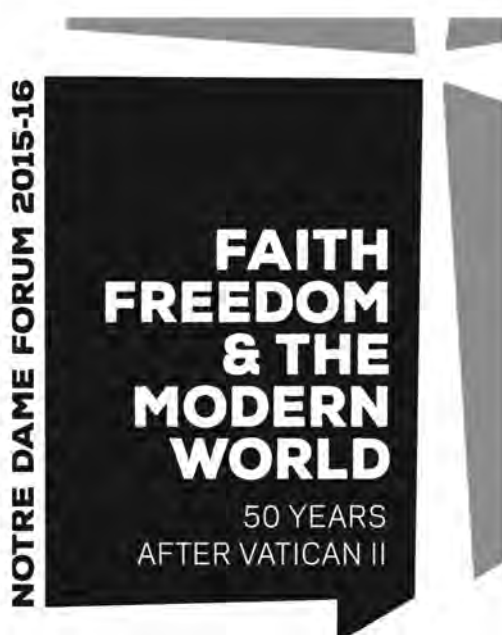
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## Football

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of the first and third quarters to become the first Irish freshman running back to rush for two scores in a game since Darius Walker did it in 2004.

Kelly, however, said Adams' preparation was different this week, knowing the role he'll have Saturday.

"I think he probably sees himself playing more, and because of that, he's maybe thinking a little too much this week," Kelly said. "... I think he was a little better when he didn't know that he didn't know. But he'll be fine.

"The best way I can put it is both freshmen are still learning and they're young, and they'll both have to play."

### Zaire's head staying level

After a game in which he threw as many touchdown passes (three) as he did incompletions, junior quarterback Malik Zaire received significant praise nationwide, with many "experts" placing him on early-season Heisman watch lists. However, despite the performance and the nationwide buzz, Kelly said the quarterback didn't change his demeanor in the build-up to Virginia.

"[There's been] no appreciable change at all; great in the meetings all week," Kelly said. "Just the same guy. I don't expect any change in Malik regardless of whether it's adversity or success. He's been around here a long time in the sense he knows how to handle himself, he knows what to expect week in, week out.

"I know this: he won't change in the way he prepares himself."

### Showtime trailer distracts

Prior to the season premiere of Showtime's "A Season With



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**Senior offensive lineman Ronnie Stanley hustles after a play during Notre Dame's 38-3 victory against Texas on Sept. 5.**

Notre Dame Football," a teaser clip showed Kelly saying senior offensive lineman Ronnie Stanley was unable to accept a captainship for the 2015 season. Thursday, Kelly said he preferred not to explain the clip, and expressed his regret it got out.

"That's something between myself and our team," Kelly said. "It's unfortunate that clip got out."

But despite Stanley's inability to accept a captainship, Kelly praised his highly-rated senior's leadership capabilities.

"Here's what I would say: I can tell you that I have no problem with Ronnie representing our football team," Kelly said. "His integrity and his character are not in question here, and I wouldn't say that if we had something here that was such that I had to back away from him.

"... He's still a captain in our minds in terms of the way he handles himself on a daily basis."

### Michigan rivalry still on

hunting and winning balls. It's really a team effort. We can stop people one on one, or work together."

Romangolo said her team needs to be cautious of getting too comfortable, however.

"It's so early, but there's a lot we can improve on," Romagnolo said. "We need to continue to grow as a team. We need to keep working on creating opportunities in front of the goal. We could improve our one on one defense and reacting to the opposing team's attack."

Offensively, the team is led by a veteran and a newcomer. Senior forward Anna Maria Gilbertson leads the team in goals (four), points (nine), shots (39), and shots on goal (16). Gilbertson scored in each of the last three games. She has been helped by the arrival of freshman forward Natalie Jacobs. The California product leads the team in assists (four) and only trails Gilbertson in all major offensive categories.

Sunday poses a unique challenge, as Michigan sophomore

### hold

When Kelly called into "The Rich Eisen Show" yesterday, he said the chances of Notre Dame resuming its series with Michigan were "trending up." Thursday, however, Kelly said he "picked his spot" on the show with the Michigan alum, and highlighted the difficulties in working out a return to the on-again, off-again rivalry.

"What I was trying to say is that's a game that we definitely want to get back on our schedule," Kelly said. "... It's on our radar. Let's put it that way. We're looking at it.

"Now, there's a lot of juggling that would have to go on. I think they're locked in to the mid-2020s, and we would have to be creative with different games and such."

Kelly later went on to note that, to his knowledge, no discussions had occurred between the two schools on the resumption of the series.

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## W Soccer

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winning records. The Hoosiers (3-2-1) will be playing with a chip on their shoulder as they were embarrassed by LSU over the weekend, 4-0. The Irish's second opponent will be dawning a familiar maize and blue when Michigan (4-2-0) comes to town. The Wolverines will be looking to right the ship after having its 3-game winning streak snapped Sunday on the road at Washington.

Both the Hoosiers and the Wolverines will have to deal with the Irish's stifling defense. Romangolo's club has outshot their opponents 144-9 in the early season. The Irish also hold a heavy 17-3 scoring advantage and have posted clean sheets against foes four times.

Romagnolo credited the entire team on the defensive success.

"The players in the front do a good job and every other layer is playing well," Romagnolo said. "We're doing a good job

forward Taylor Timko has been lighting up opposing defenses. The Michigan native and Big 10 all-freshman selection leads the Wolverines in goals (five). Her total ties her with a host of others for 15th in the nation — three back of the national leaders.

After spending last weekend in hostile environments, the Irish will be happy to play in the friendly confines of Alumni Stadium, Romagnolo said. The Irish are 4-0 at home and have surrendered only one goal in those games combined.

Romangolo said the team is excited to spend the weekend in South Bend.

"Anytime you can stay at your own house and sleep in your own bed, it's an advantage," she said.

Play begins Friday at 7 p.m. with the match against Indiana followed by Sunday's game against Michigan at 5 p.m. Both matches will be played at Alumni Stadium.

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**Senior midfielder Patrick Hodan sets up for a pass in a 2-0 victory against South Florida on Sept. 4 at Alumni Stadium.**

## M Soccer

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per game, but the Irish offense excelled this past weekend at the Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament. The Irish shut out South Florida, 2-0, to open the tournament Friday, and they continued to dominate the field with a 4-0 win over UAB on Sunday.

Notre Dame out-shot UAB 28-6, while dominating shots on goal 11-1. Sophomore forward Jon Gallagher posted three goals during the weekend, while recently named Top ACC Weekly Defender senior defender Michael Shipp scored his first career goal Sunday afternoon.

The Irish defense held its ground, too. With the support of Shipp and defenders graduate student Max Lachowecki

and junior Brandon Aubrey, junior goalkeeper Chris Hubbard earned a pair of clean sheets and managed three saves in the two games.

Saturday's contest against Clemson will serve as another opportunity for the Irish to continue to grow their chemistry on the field, Hodan said.

"It's early in the season, so there are a lot of things to work on both offensively and defensively," Hodan said. "Our finishing definitely improved this past weekend and hopefully will continue to improve [against Clemson]."

With that determination to improve, Hodan and the Irish take on their first ACC opponent of the season when they welcome Clemson to Alumni Stadium on Saturday at 7 p.m.

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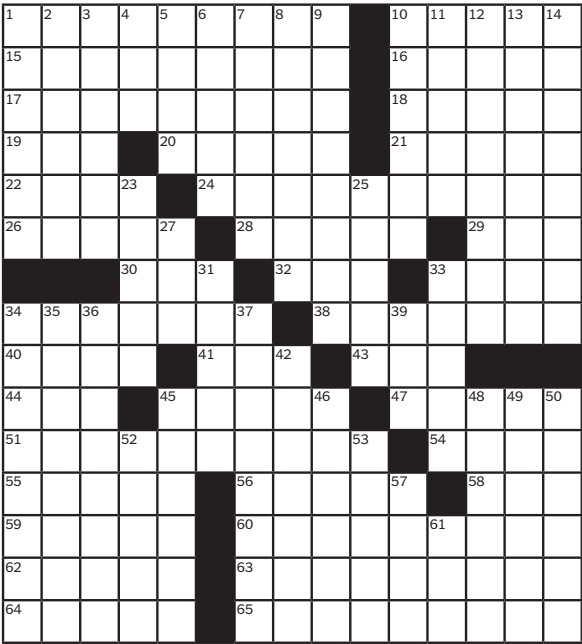


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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** A networking event will boost your confidence and make you realize how much you have to offer. A special relationship will flourish if you discuss long-term plans. Update your look and take on a physical challenge. ★★★★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Concentrate on what you can change, not on what you cannot. Don't waste your time trying to please someone who is impossible to satisfy. Learn from past mistakes and revamp an old skill or hobby that has come back in style. ★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Don't feel you have to take on someone else's responsibilities. Keep your life simple, stick to the truth and put time aside to spend with the people you love the most. Interacting with children or your lover will make you happy. ★★★★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Accept the inevitable and find a way to make it work for you. Adaptability is a quality that can help you stand out and be noticed. If you are able to make do with what you've got, you will come out on top. ★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Emotions will run close to the surface. Express your true feelings and you will bring about the changes you want to see happen. Be the first to jump into action when it comes to trying something new. Your enthusiasm will be infectious. ★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** An investment, settlement or contract you have been working on will pay off. The inside information you come across will help you make an important decision regarding a partnership proposal. ★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Your intuition and intelligence will pay off. Follow your gut feeling and don't look back. Put an end to a situation that has made you feel vulnerable. Choose the people you want to have in your life. Romance is encouraged. ★★★★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Don't fight a losing battle. You are better off looking for a way to turn something you enjoy doing into a lucrative pastime. Don't let love stand between you and your success. Stick close to home and explore your options. ★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Plan a trip, but stay within your budget. Pick up new information and skills, and be sure to enjoy some downtime with someone you love in order to make the most of your day. A change you make will pay off. ★★★★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Negotiate a deal or invest your time and energy into something you know will pay off. Taking forceful action will result in a sudden change you didn't expect. Be prepared to move forward regardless of what others do. ★★

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Be the one to instigate a change in what you do for a living. Spend time nurturing a relationship with someone you love and you will come to an agreement regarding domestic matters and lifestyle choices. ★★

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** An unusual way to make money will develop. Don't ignore the signals that someone is sending you. Your imaginative approach to whatever you do will capture attention. Added discipline will help you finish what you start and lead to greater opportunities. ★★

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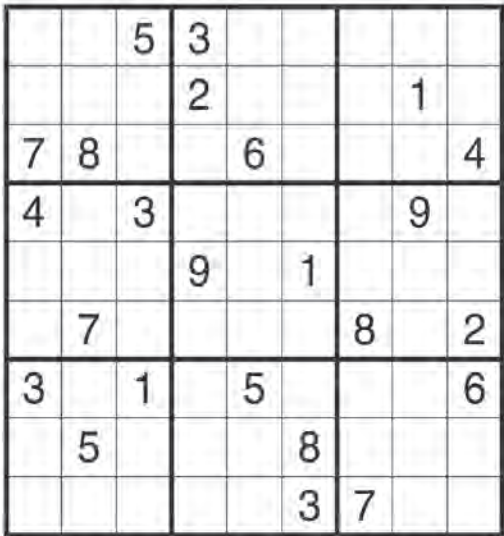
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## FOOTBALL

# New backs to play large role against Cavaliers

By ALEX CARSON  
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After junior running back Tarean Folston suffered a season-ending ACL injury Saturday against Texas, it was clear Notre Dame's backfield would be shuffled more than the Irish staff had planned on earlier in the season.

While senior running back C.J. Prosise will assume the majority of the carries for No. 9 Notre Dame on Saturday in Charlottesville, Virginia, a pair of freshmen, Josh Adams and Dexter Williams, spent this week adjusting to their new roles in the offense.

For Williams, who had seven fourth-quarter carries for 24 yards during the 38-3 win over Texas, Brian Kelly said it was a "pretty good" week of practice.

"I think he'll have to be involved in the game plan," the Irish head coach said. "[He's] certainly not ready to handle everything, but we feel confident enough that we'll get him in the game, and we think he's got a chance to certainly help us in the rotation."

Unlike Williams' relatively-quiet debut, Adams made his mark last week, scoring near the end



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*Freshman running back Josh Adams carries the ball during Notre Dame's 38-3 victory over Texas on Sept. 5 at Notre Dame Stadium.*

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## ND VOLLEYBALL

# Irish set to face No. 1 Nittany Lions

By HUNTER McDANIEL  
Sports Writer

Purcell Pavilion's arena lights were abruptly shut off. As the darkness set in, the Irish cheered as they sat in clusters across the empty arena. About 20 seconds after the lights were turned off, the video board above the floor flashed on and the team's new video introduction played. Cheers from the team filled the arena like an echo chamber expressing their excitement for the team's first home stand this weekend.

Notre Dame (2-4) will start its season at home Friday as it hosts Mississippi State, Eastern Kentucky and No. 1 Penn State in their annual Golden Dome Invitational.

"We can't wait to have the home-court advantage," junior middle blocker Katie Higgins said. "Fans and students will be able to see how hard we've been working, the new era that we're

in and how much better we are."

Last season, the Irish finished 6-23, and this year they are much younger across the roster than they were last year. At the Seton Hall Classic, Notre Dame left with a 1-2 record, which included their first win away from South Bend since September 19 of last year against Saint Louis at the Purdue Active Ankle Challenge.

Notre Dame's next challenge is to improve upon last year's record at their Golden Dome Invitational where they went 0-3. They'll face Mississippi State (6-1) on Friday and then Eastern Kentucky (1-7) and the top team in the nation, the Nittany Lions (5-0), on Saturday.

"We're developing every game and we're progressing," Higgins said. "It's a long-term process and it's not going to happen instantly, so I don't think we've found our identity exactly yet, but we're right there. We are

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## MEN'S SOCCER

# ND prepares for rival Clemson

By KIT LOUGHRAN  
Sports Writer

Looking to avenge a loss in penalty kicks in last year's ACC tournament semifinals, Notre Dame opens its 2015 ACC regular season against reigning ACC champion Clemson on Saturday.

The second-seeded Irish (3-0-1) will play host to the No. 9 Tigers (3-0-1) on Saturday at Alumni Stadium at 7 p.m. The Irish and Tigers have met five times in their history, with this matchup marking the fourth consecutive season the two squads will face off.

Last year, the two teams met for the first time as conference rivals in the ACC Semifinals on Nov. 14. The double-overtime contest ended as a 1-1 draw, but the Tigers then won 5-4 in penalty kicks to advance to the ACC Championship. Clemson went on to beat Louisville, 2-1, in double overtime to win the ACC championship title.

"Clemson is a great team and off to a great start [this season]," senior tri-captain and midfielder Patrick Hodan said. "We are really going to have to play at a high level."

"We have to be ready for a battle."

The Tigers boast an identical 3-0-1 record as the Irish, with three high-margin wins to their name. Clemson took down East Tennessee State, 3-1, Mercer, 4-1, and South Carolina, 3-0. Following the shut out, the Tigers tied Coastal Carolina, 1-1, in double overtime.

Averaging 2.75 goals and 20 shots per game, the Tigers will be one of the most offensively aggressive team the Irish will play this year. Only Maryland, which Notre Dame tied in its season opener, tops the Tigers in shots per game at 20.5.

Clemson sophomores midfielder Oliver Shannon and forward Diego Campos lead the Tigers offense with three goals and two assists, respectively.

"Clemson is a very good pressing team," Hodan said. "We will have to figure out how to break their pressure and move the ball well."

So far the Irish have not had much trouble moving the ball well either, though. The Irish stand slightly below the Tigers with 1.75 goals and 14.8 shots

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## ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

# Pair of Big Ten foes coming up for Notre Dame

By DOMINIC BUSH  
Sports Writer

The No. 13 Irish aim to continue their undefeated streak to open the season as they play host to Big Ten foes Indiana and Michigan this weekend at Alumni Stadium.

Despite a dominant 2-0 win over Michigan State and a 2-2 draw with Western Michigan, Notre Dame (5-0-1) fell from No. 6 to No. 13 in the rankings.

Second-year coach Theresa Romangolo said the team is excited about the quality of this weekend's opponents.

"They're two good programs and whoever we play we have to continue to work on possessing the ball, attacking and shutting down opponents," Romagnolo said.

Looking to make an early statement at home, the Irish welcome two clubs with



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*Senior forward Anna Maria Gilbertson fights for a loose ball in Notre Dame's 2-1 victory against Santa Clara on Aug. 28.*

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