Notre Dame wins Shamrock Series game

The Irish beat Purdue, 30-14, at Lucas Oil Stadium

By KATIE McCARTY
News Writer

Notre Dame students and fans traveled to Indianapolis Saturday for the 2014 Shamrock Series game versus Purdue.

The game, which was held at Lucas Oil Stadium, ended well for the Irish, who beat the Boilermakers of Purdue, 30-14.

Junior Colleen Pinkelman said the atmosphere in Lucas Oil Stadium was electric.

“The stadium is a big pro stadium, which makes the atmosphere different from Notre Dame Stadium,” she said. “It was a really cool venue for the Shamrock Series.”

Junior Julia Zanotelli said the proximity to South Bend made the game more accessible to students.

“We drove, and it only took about two and a half hours,” Zanotelli said. “The game being so close contributed to a lot of students being able to attend, which made for a great student section.”

Junior Andrew Cusator said the tailgating was a highlight of the day.

“The pregame atmosphere was second only to the main lot outside Notre Dame Stadium,” he said. “It was a great time with family and friends.”

Pinkelman said the night game added to the excitement.

“Night games have a whole different atmosphere than day games, and this game was no exception,” she said. “Just like the Michigan game, the night adds an extra amount of hype. It made the stadium more charged with energy.”

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University receives top workplace honor

By ALYSSA LYON
News Writer

For the sixth consecutive year, The Chronicle of Higher Education placed the University of Notre Dame on the honor roll of the top-10 “Great Colleges to Work For.”

The Chronicle offers a survey every year to universities around the nation, in which every faculty and staff member has the opportunity to provide feedback about the overall work environment at his or her respective universities.

Of the 12 categories included on The Chronicle’s survey, Notre Dame achieved excellence in the categories of “compensation and benefits,” “confidence in senior leadership,” “facilities, work-space and security,” “job satisfaction,” “supervisor or department chair relationships” and “work/life balance,” according to The Chronicle’s website.

To make the top-10 honor roll of the 196 four-year institutions surveyed, The Chronicle’s website stated that schools must be "cited most often across all recognition categories."

Bob McQuade, vice president of Human Resources at Notre Dame, said the administration, above all, aims to create an environment that satisfies all Notre Dame employees.

“[University President] Fr. John [Jenkins], [Provost] Tom [Burish], [Executive Vice President] John Affleck-Graves believe in creating an environment [in which] our staff is treated with respect and understanding,” he said.

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Dean reflects on career

BY CAROLYN HUTYRA
News Writer

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Junior Bri O’Brien, co-chair for sustainability at Saint Mary’s College, gave a presentation on sustainable consumerism Friday as part of the Justice Friday’s lecture series.

O’Brien, who won the Dooney Grant for Justice Education this year, is conducting an independent study with philosophy professor Adrienne Lyles-Checkley on sustainable education. She said she wants to encourage student involvement in sustainability events on campus.

“We are killing the world faster than we can fix it,” she said.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY:

What is your ideal SYR theme?

Kendall Kovalik

sophomore

Walsh Hall

“Space/Disney Zenon.”

Conor Bradley

sophomore

Dillon Hall

“Municipal workers.”

Michael Nolan

senior

Off-campus

“Silent films.”

Josh Dempsey

junior

Duncan Hall

“Nicholas Cage, then and now.”

Margarite Prakel

senior

McGlinn Hall

“Beans.”

Cesar Hernandez

sophomore

Fisher Hall

“Dome dance.”

Former Irish receiver John Goodman takes a selfie with linebacker Jaylon Smith after Notre Dame beat Purdue 30-14, on Saturday night. The game was part of Notre Dame’s annual Shamrock Series, which took place this year at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis.
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Choir aims to serve the community

By EMILY McCONVILLE
News Writer

Last March, the Notre Dame Celebration Choir visited the Westville Correctional Facility, an Indiana prison with the highest rate of inmates. Sophomore and choir vice president Anna O’Connell said the experience was profound.

“When we went, we tried to have some interaction where we can talk with people, to show human compassion. We’re really trying to live out all of what [Pope Francis] Francis has exemplified in his Evangelii Gaudium document, of bringing the joy of the Gospel to those who most need to hear it.”

Schneider-Kirner said the choir, in addition to singing at football Masses and prisons, also visits local parishes and dorms, goes on an annual tour with the Handbell Choir and performs at special events and concerts, often with other Basilica choirs. She said the choir has a diverse repertoire, ranging from traditional hymns to 20th-century compositions, with a variety of accompanying instruments.

“Catholic means ‘universal,’ so we want to be indicative of the whole universal church and sing in different languages and in different styles from different eras of music composition,” she said. “We enjoy doing gospel music as well as classical music. I’m also a published composer, so often I’m using the choir as a training ground for trying out new compositions.”

Schneider-Kirner said the choir welcomes students without much musical experience in order to help them develop their musical skills.

“We tend to be open to all,” she said. “We don’t put up any barriers. We want to meet students exactly where they’re at with their music skills.”

“I realize, for instance, that a lot of — primarily — men may have to be used to, in high school, being pushed towards sports, but then they get to be college-aged and realize they might want to develop those gifts, but then they haven’t really sung in a choir, haven’t played an instrument. I do some vocal coaching on the side just to help students with their skills.”

Senior Celebration Choir president Kreynak said the choir’s accommodation of beginners is one reason for the choir’s success.

“I wasn’t much of a singer before college, and I knew the Celebration Choir really welcomed new singers with not that much background, so that’s what I was originally looking for,” he said. “Then when I started to sign up, I started hearing about all the service opportunities they do — prison visits, which I really wish that could use the help — it just seemed like a really good fit for me.”

Schneider-Kirner said the choir also acts as a “training ground” for students interested in getting involved as liturgical musicians, by incorporating lessons on planning liturgies, recruiting musicians and including Catholic Church thought on liturgical music into choir rehearsals.

“We’ve got a great number of students over the years who [may not] have gone on to careers in sacred music, but they still use their talents and skills,” she said. “Even though they may be lawyers or other things, they’re still actively engaged in music ministry. I think that’s a really valuable thing to be able to offer the Church.”

Sophomore Morgan Widdhalm, the choir’s accompanist, said she was a member of the Notre Dame Folk Choir, when Schneider-Kirner, who is also the assistant director of the Folk Choir, invited her to audition as a pianist for the Celebration Choir.

“When playing in a different capacity, being the accompanist, it’s brought me a lot of blessings,” Widdhalm said. “I’ve gotten to develop my skill a lot. I’ve never accompanied a choir like this before.”

“I’ve done pieces with my choir in high school where I would do a piece, but it was more classical and I would just have to go with the score. But here I’ve had to develop improvisation skills and other general accompanist skills that I would not have gotten without this position.”

This fall, the location of alternative football Masses changed from Stepan Center to Leighton Concert Hall in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center (DPAC). Widdhalm said the location change adds to her experience as a liturgical musician.

“It’s such a wonderful space,” she said. “I actually wasn’t part of the choir last year when they played in Stepan after football games, but I know from what everyone else in the choir has said [that] it’s been an immense improvement.

For me, just the experience in DPAC alone has been amazing. Playing on an amazing Steinway piano, seeing that beautiful hall fill up with people, it’s a really wonderful experience, and I think it’s something that not a lot of people get.”

In the upcoming semesters, the choir will go on tour, perform with various campus musical groups in an interfaith prayer concert and sing with other Basilica choirs in a Beethoven showcase. O’Connell said the choir will also go on an annual retreat, one which fosters the sense of community that drew her to the choir.

“Choir gives me a foundation socially,” O’Connell said. “A lot of my really close friends are in choir, which is really cool. I hope that it provides that community for other people. That’s something I’m working on as vice president, to make it a community where people feel totally welcome.”

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about the creation of chocolate, O’Brien unmasked the “ugly truth” of the unsustainable means of extraction and unsustainable methods used in the creation of some of America’s favorite foods. She discussed child labor and unsustainable means of extracting energy.

“Even though these appear good, they are not,” O’Brien said. “These items are given to us in unethical methods.”

Junior gold squad Notre Dame cheerleader Lizz Weir, said the trip to Indianapolis was fulfilling for the whole team.

“Notre Dame did a great job planning the Shamrock Series this year,” she said. “The weekend was so much fun and Indy was a really great atmosphere.

“There was so much to do and the energy from all the fans before the game was something I cannot imagine happening at any other school. From fan festivals to parades to pep rallies, the cheerleaders were all over the place this weekend, but we enjoyed every second of it.”

Zanotelli said there were definitely more Irish fans in the stands, but there was a good presence from Purdue as well.

“I think it really helped being that both schools are in Indiana that there was a large showing from both teams at the game,” she said.

Sophomore Noelle Gouding said the game itself was entertaining to watch.

“Beating Purdue and moving up to 3-0 for the season made for a good time on Saturday,” she said.

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The Jesuits, Father Sorin, and the 19th-Century Catholic Revival

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By RACHEL O’GRADY
News/Observer

In conjunction with the arrival of 40 marchers, who stopped at Notre Dame on Saturday as part of the Great March for Climate Action, GreeND hosted a panel discussion and film screening in the Hesburgh Auditorium.

Senior Garrett Blad, president of GreeND, said the movie, titled “Distruption,” was great in describing the history and science of climate change.

“It really goes into the interconnectedness of the issue and how the People’s Climate March is really trying to get a broad group of people involved,” he said.

Following the screening of the film, two professors and one marcher discussed the short- and long-term implications of climate change.

“The film is very impressive, in the historical sweep of the view that it’s giving and looking back at previous attempts to engage issues that can really be so punishing, as well as the attention to the emotional component and how they kind of mobilize the grassroots here to build towards a global movement, which leads to an impressive intersectional approach,” sociology and peace studies professor Ann Mishe said.

Saint Mary’s political science professor Sonalini Sapra organized a screening of “Disruption” last week at the College in preparation for this week’s event.

“The focus on not just a climate treaty, but a just climate treaty is really something the documents seem to emphasize,” she said. “And so what does a just climate treaty look like? Who gets to be part of those conversations? I mean, I know that India and China, their leaders, have already said they are not going to come to the climate meetings on Sept. 23 that [United Nations Secretary-General] Ban Ki-Moon has organized. So one of my questions is what would a just climate treaty even really look like?”

The Great March for Climate Action began in March, when 40 people from all over the United States left Los Angeles, hoping to arrive in Washington, D.C. by Nov. 1.

“One of the reasons I’m doing this, and I think we’re all doing this, is because climate change really is on our doorstep. We have to face this,” marcher Jimmy Betts said.

Born in South Korea and raised in Nebraska, Betts has walked with the march since it started in Los Angeles and was included as one of the speakers on the panel.

“This is a huge mobilization that will officially last,” he said. “But the real work is going to come after the march. That’s where all this climate unity is going to really come to this people power, and we have to take it.”

All of the marchers shared the idea that “it’s a very impressively pressing need for climate change reform.”

GreeND hosts marchers for climate action

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American dream at a Crossroads

Amanda Peña
Silence Isn’t Golden

Two individuals I love were born in the United States, grew up in poverty as the children of Mexican immigrants and suffered in a world of gang violence, drugs and hunger until God brought them together in October 1982. Within six months they became 17-year-old teen parents and dropped out of high school to get married, work full-time and create a life together.

When their first daughter was born with a learning disability, they were overwhelmed with the responsibilities of ensuring she had the best available care on an income that barely afforded enough food. While some of their peers and family fell to addictions, incarceration and gang activity over the years, they raised their four daughters on the sidelines, affected by these circumstances but never absorbed in them. When she was 5 years old, their third daughter was deeply moved by the things she had experienced in this world, vowing with one of her cousins that they would be the first in their families to go to college.

Sixteen years later, she is now a senior set to graduate in May 2015 at Notre Dame — one of the most prestigious universities in the country and the alma mater for some of the most influential people in the world.

My parents, now married for 31 years, sacrificed all of their time, energy and resources to support the promise my cousin and I made long ago. I will never forget their reactions when they found out I would be going to college — let alone here — or their childlike excitement when they moved me into Welsh Family Hall. Never imagining their time, energy and resources to support the promise my cousin and I made long ago, I will never forget their reactions when they found out I would be going to college — let alone here — or their childlike excitement when they moved me into Welsh Family Hall.

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As graduation looms overhead, I’ve reflected on the challenges, memories and people that characterized my journey to the golden dome. I have been working since I was 14 years old to offset costs I knew my parents couldn’t bear, and which help get me into college. Paying for my own extracurricular involvement, SAT/ACT exams and navigating the entire college process alone was difficult to do when all the adults in my life didn’t know what the FAFSA was or couldn’t proofread my applications because I used words that were “too big.”

The night before I left for my home under the Dome, I was shown a huge party and all of my lifelong family and friends were in attendance. They filled my pockets with every dollar they had in their wallets and shared their fears about me being the first to move so far away. After all of the pictures and jubilation, they made plans to see me graduate and began saving up over the years.

Every visit home turns into a party similar to my send-off: my family gives me what little they have to demonstrate their pride and support of my education. My 16-year-old neighbor was inspired to work hard in the classroom and at football practice to show his parents he can get into Notre Dame too. For his birthday present this year, he asked to see me graduate at Notre Dame. It moved me to tears when my uncles, aunts, neighbors and friends crowded around our only home computer to book flights and hotel rooms.

I ask you to now put yourself in my shoes to imagine how devastated they were when I informed them that they could no longer see me graduate in the stadium. With a lump in my throat, I called my parents and sisters to tell them only 3 of them would probably be allowed to see the commencement. Sure, there are other ceremonies, but that’s not the point.

The Campus Crossroads project originally claimed that the 2015 commencement plans would not be disrupted, a promise that was too-easily broken and blindsided many of us. Keep in mind though that there will still be six home football games scheduled in the 2015 season. In spite of my pride being a student, I am sickened that the University has once again demonstrated that football takes priority over its students. Without those home football games, the University would lose out on millions of dollars, so I am sure construction plans will be adjusted to prevent that from happening. Why can’t plans also be adjusted so we can have this one weekend to walk through the tunnel onto the field, slip the “Graduate Like a Champion Today” sign and emerge toward Touchdown Jesus with a degree and all of our supporters cheering wildly from the stands?

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Hamas: a legitimate government

Kyle Palmer
Reasonably Right

The last couple of weeks have been rough for the White House. President Obama announced Sept. 6 that he would not act on the immigration issue facing the United States until after the midterm elections. A White House official said Saturday, “The reason is that President Obama has to weigh is that we’re in the midst of the political season.” Obama delved further into his decision as a guest on Chuck Todd’s inaugural episode of “Meet the Press,” stating “the politics did shift midsummer.” This priority shift is meant to reduce the harm his policies would inflict on fellow Democrats going into the midterms. Placing elections and political expediency ahead of real issues facing the United States, back peddling on previous statements, broken promises, what else should we expect from the 44th President?

Obama’s own supporters are even upset with him. Rep. Loretta Sanchez (D-CA) expressed her disenchantment with his decision on CNN’s “New Day.” “The president said he would address immigration reform with us. We should be getting it done now instead of after the election. So, yes, of course we’re disappointed in the president.”

“It’s a disappointment with real consequences,” said Rep. David Cicilline, president of the Center for American Progress and former Obama aide. It keeps piling on: “When candidate Obama asked our community for support in 2008 and 2012, he urged us all to vote based on our hopes, not our fears,” said president and CEO of the National Council of La Raza Janet Murguía. “Today, President Obama gave in to the fears of democratic political operatives, crushing the hopes of millions of hard-working people living under the constant threat of deportation and family separation,” Carmen Velasquez penned a scathing op-ed in POLITICO last week, asserting, “This year, Obama promised us action on immigration at the end of spring. Then he promised movement after the summer recess. Now, when federal lawmakers returned to Washington, he now promises to take up the issue after the November elections. Lie to me once, shame on you. Lie to me five times; what do you expect us to do?”

In keep in mind that Obama isn’t just giving up on trying to convince Congress to work together and act with him on immigration – he is refusing to issue any executive orders that could have an impact on the current immigration crisis. Executive orders are unilaterally decided and declared by the president, so it stands to reason that he cannot blame congressional gridlock for his own inaction. Not long ago he fought back against supposed calls for his impeachment by claiming, “You hear some of them: ‘Sue him! Impeach him!’ Really? For what, doing my job?” As a matter of fact it seems he is not doing his job. In truth, he has decided to neutralize the one thing he could do to keep alive the “hope” he promised his supporters six years ago.

“I am continually surprised by my liberal friends’ faith in the president’s ability to get anything done. Aside from getting the Affordable Care Act passed in 2010, he has accomplished nothing else that required a minimum of bipartisan cooperation to reform firearms regulations or immigration policy and has stumbled on foreign policy throughout his presidency, not to mention the headline campaign promise of closing Guantanamo Bay detention camp. Excuses for not closing the facility generally conclude with him saying he came into greater knowledge of the goings-on there and decided against it.

Are we left to believe, then, that candidate Obama was naïve and ignorant to the fact that suspected terrorists were held in a highly-secure, top-secret prison for what just might have been justifiable reasons?

Don’t mistake my criticisms of Obama’s inaction as agreement with Republican campaign promises: I simply believe my liberal friends should be more disappointed in Obama, the commander-in-chief of irresolution and forsaken promises. Then again, maybe they are – according to the latest poll shows evidence of Obama losing the confidence of the key demographics that worked to elect him. Perhaps I shouldn’t be so surprised that he chose to delay action on immigration yet again.

It is interesting to note that the strategic reason he has chosen to hold off on immigration is because his actions could reflect poorly on Democratic candidates come November, which is to lead us to say those up for reelection can no longer count on their constituencies’ support of the president. That those policies which the president – and the Democratic party – hold dear, may no longer resonate with the American public. This evaluation of the midterms and Obama’s national perception is well founded, with polls released last week showing a majority of Americans view Obama’s presidency as a failure, and his approval rating hovering around just 40% for the last few months.

Isn’t it amazing how beliefs and policy can change so quickly and closely with the polls? It is apparent now more than ever we don’t have a president who stands for “hope” or “change,” but a president who is the personification of disappointment.

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Why you should be disappointed with Obama

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Throughout the recent war in Gaza, all of Hamas’ “operatives” were targeted by Israel, regardless of their affiliation with Hamas’ police force, civil services or Izzedine Al-Qassam Brigades, Hamas’ armed wing. Even after the conflict ended, Israel continues to count Hamas’s police officers, who weren’t affiliated with the militant al-Qassam brigades, as militant casualties.

Israel’s targeting of all those affiliated with Hamas will only legitimize the organization to the world and the Palestinians. Israel must learn to treat and pressure Hamas as if Hamas were a government. Israel must recognize that Hamas’ civilian infrastructure is not a legitimate target. Furthermore, Israel’s fallacious methodology counting Hamas’ civilians as militants will only serve to discredit its own public relations campaigns.

In the weeks of mass arrests in July, an Israeli Defense Forces official said that “everything linked to Hamas (was) being targeted,” including civilian facilities and hundreds of civilians were arrested for their association with Hamas and protests prior to the rocket attacks.

When Israel’s airstrike and ground forces came, news reports including those from Fox News consistently mentioned Israel’s reasoning as its aim to destroy “civilian institutions with suspected Hamas ties.”

Hamas isn’t just a foreign terrorist organization as the U.S. government labels it. It’s a government that has been democratically elected. According to the Israeli scholar Reuven Paz, “90 percent” of its work is devoted to social services that the Palestinian Authority has failed to provide. Insufficient civil services depend on Hamas social services to live and such services are not legitimate targets. The targeting of such services follows Osama bin Laden’s logic, under which American civilians were legitimate targets for supporting U.S. operations in the Middle East.

Hamas’ rival, Fatah, has been discredited for its corrosion and disregard for democracy. Poverty and corrupt governments breed radicalism, revolution and societal regression, and attacking Hamas without providing a credible alternative will perpetuate terror. Likewise, Israeli brutality against protesters including Americans will have disastrous consequences for the region.

Fatah starred in the coalition for Accountability and Integrity’s 2013 report for misappropriation of funds, lack of transparency and rampant corruption “across all sections of society.” Two billion euros in aid to Fatah were lost to corruption from 2008 to 2012. In contrast, Hamas, known for its extreme anti-towards corruption and the International Crisis Group noted that there is little “substantial evidence” that Hamas’ civilian facilities divert funds to violent activities. And when compared to the elections, Fatah expelled Hamas officials including the president, Ismail Haniyeh and unilaterally extended Abbas’ (Fatah president) term. Fatah’s revolutionist approach to the fact that Haniyeh is still recognized by the P.A. Palestinian Legislative Council as Palestine’s prime minister.

Because of Israeli blockades, airstrikes and outright killings, the people of Gaza look to Hamas and the U.N. for aid, not the West, and Israel’s targeting of everyone associated with Hamas will exacerbate the security crisis.

Israel must recognize Hamas as Gaza’s government rather than see it as just another militant organization. By targeting protesters and Hamas’s social services, Israel destroyed the little support it has among human rights organizations and Palestinians.

Attacking only militant cells is more practical than arresting all of Hamas’s doctors, cooks and parliamentarians and rebuilding the infrastructure from the ground up. And Fatah must be held accountable for its actions. It will not regain its position in Gaza if it refuses to include Hamas, a move that Israel vehemently opposes.

Fatah has abused its power, sideling the opposition in a manner comparable to the now defunct Maliki’s Iraqi government, and Israel has permanently wounded its image with its outright executions of fleeing civilians in Khzura and indiscriminate airstrikes, so there is no credible alternative to Hamas.

And with its vast civilian infrastructure devoted to healthcare, food and other services civilians need, Hamas is the only organization keeping the Gazans from living beneath poverty, so it’s no wonder British academics writing for The Guardian can believe Hamas is the only legitimate Palestinian government.

A war against Hamas can only make it stronger, because to many of the Palestinians, Hamas is the party working to keep Gaza alive.

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Cherub brings THE FUNK to Legends

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Last Thursday, Legends hosted nothing less than a full-fledged rave as innovative electro-pop duo Cherub brought their Champagne Showers Tour to Notre Dame. The official Legends’ webpage advertised that the duo would be “performing their hit song ‘Doses and Mimosas’ live,” but a diverse set list proved Cherub to be more than a one-hit wonder.

A crowd swarmed in promptly for show time, undeterred by the construction around Legends. The crowd expressed some impatience at having to wait until midnight to see the group, but first opener Gibbz provided a much-needed warm-up with energetic dance beats. A second opener and fellow electronic duo, Ghost Beach, followed up with an ambient yet upbeat style reminiscent of St. Lucia, which mellowed the restless crowd.

When Jordan Kelley and Jason Huber — the two friends and former college classmates who make up Cherub — appeared onstage, it was without the array of synths and computers I had expected. Instead, both wielded guitars with a surprising aptitude. Huber also used an inconspicuous sound pad to manipulate the sounds, as well as a talk box. This is a technique that has been utilized by psychedelic rockers like Pink Floyd, causing me to suspect some totally out-of-genre influences.

The duo opened with “<3,” a deep track off their new album that demonstrated their characteristic avant-garde dance-pop style and scandalous lyrics. Though “<3” is an exception, their lyrics often express a love for partying, which was certainly apparent in their performance style. The band has gained commercial success with straightforward catchy pop tunes, but it was obvious that they saw live performances as an opportunity to revisit their electro-funk roots.

With a well put together set list having ebb and flow, the duo demonstrated versatility by slowing it down with soulful R&B beats, much appreciated by those audience-members who had paired off to dance. The energy was revived with what they called a cover of “Feels So Close,” essentially Calvin Harris’s version with Huber’s vocals and a few guitar notes. By now the audience was completely engaged as its inner layers began to look similar to a mosh pit. After a few more tracks, the audience was finally ready for the top hits.

Kelley built up the crowd for “Doses and Mimosas,” — the suspense was palpable — but finally gave in and played what the majority of the audience had come to see. As is always the case for a band like Cherub with only a few well-known songs, the crowd noticeably thinned after the hit was played. The rest of us had our loyalty rewarded with an unexpected cover of Weezer classic “Say It Ain’t So.”

Overall, the show was dance-friendly and satisfying, and no one seemed to mind that the majority of the sound was playback. Although after a sampling of songs the audience favorite was still “Doses and Mimosas,” there is certainly more to come from this fun young duo.

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Battling adversity

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Too early to know much about this Notre Dame team

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INDIANAPOLIS — For the second time in three seasons, the Irish have started 3-0, and they’ve put up a combined 109 points through those first three contests.

It might be tempting to draw conclusions about this team, especially after its exciting run in 2012.

But the problem with that is, we still don’t know anything definitive about this year’s Notre Dame squad, and barring a crazy loss to Syracuse on Sept. 27, we still won’t know anything until after its game against Stanford on Oct. 4, its first real test of the season.

In these days of instant gratification, we want to know everything immediately, on-the-spot after it happens.

Unfortunately, the Irish schedule will make us be patient before we can make judgments about how the rest of the season will go.

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PLAYER OF THE GAME

EVERETT GOLSON
IRISH SENIOR QUARTERBACK

He wasn’t perfect Saturday, but the fact he wasn’t yet still posted a turnover-free game, accounted for three touchdowns and led the Irish in rushing shows how far he has come. Golson lifted Notre Dame with key conversions in the third quarter, allowing it to pull away after he pulled back the momentum with his touchdown run.
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QUARTERBACKS
B+
Everett Golson accounted for 315 yards of total offense, three touchdowns and zero turnovers. Nonetheless, Irish head coach Brian Kelly said the offense missed too many opportunities. Golson missed a few more throws than he did in the first two games but was still solid.

RUNNING BACKS
C+
Notre Dame’s running backs were decidedly average. Saturday, C.J. Prosise, Tarean Folston and Greg Bryant combined for 83 yards on 24 carries (3.4 yards per rush) but somewhat made up for it on the ground for getting involved in the passing game. Bryant and Folston combined to haul in four grabs for 68 yards.

OFFENSIVE LINE
B+
The offensive line arguably played the poorest of any Irish position group Saturday. There were few running lanes for Notre Dame’s three-pronged backfield, and Golson was sacked four times. Kelly said Sunday the Irish will evaluate the offensive line during the bye week.

DEFENSIVE LINE
B+
Irish junior defensive end Romeo Okwara starrred on the defensive line and tallied 11 tackles. Notre Dame notched three sacks and limited Purdue to just 36 yards rushing on 26 attempts (2.2 yards per carry).

LINEBACKERS
D
While sophomore Jaylon Smith and senior Joe Schmidt combined for 17 tackles, the Irish still had too many missed tackles, especially in the first half. Schmidt did record his first career interception late in the fourth quarter.

DEFENSIVE BACKS
B-
All things considered, the Irish secondary played well given the circumstances. With Elijah Shumate, Drue Tranquill and Devin Butler starting by the game’s end, Notre Dame’s depth was tested Saturday. Missed tackles proved costly in the first half, but the unit tightened up.

SPECIAL TEAMS
B+
Kyle Brindza had a solid day punting and kicking off, and he connected on three of four field goals despite some awkward kicks. Amir Carlisle broke off a 47-yard return to set up a touchdown.

COACHING
B-
It’s difficult to understand Notre Dame’s lackluster first half, but — to Kelly’s credit — the Irish made necessary adjustments in the second half, and Kelly and his coaches readied a cast of youngsters on the fly for the second half. For the first time in the season, penalties truly hurt Notre Dame. The Irish racked up 43 penalty yards on seven infractions.

OVERALL GPA: 2.78 (B-)

Even when they weren’t at their best, the Irish were able to win by 16 points. Now, Notre Dame will look to clean up some of its issues, particularly along the offensive line, while trying to get healthy during the bye week. The Irish were dealt their first chunk of in-game adversity this season and were able to overcome it.

PLAY OF THE GAME

EVERETT GOLSON RUSHES FOR A 15-YARD SCORE BEFORE HALFTIME
Notre Dame took over down by four with three minutes to play in the first half. After Golson drove the Irish into the Purdue red zone, he scrambled right from 15 yards out and scored behind a strong block by receiver Chris Brown with 13 seconds left. Notre Dame never surrendered its lead.

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The ground attack with 56 yards and a score on 14 carries. Senior kicker Kyle Brindza connected on three consecutive field goals after missing a 56-yarder in the first quarter. Irish junior defensive end Romeo Okwara, who saw a bump in snaps with Trumbetti out, amassed a career-high 11 tackles.

Notre Dame found itself tailing in the first few minutes of the 2014 season when Purdue scored on a 1-yard strike from sophomore quarterback Danny Etling to sophomore receiver DeAngelo Yancey in the back of the end zone with three minutes remaining in the second quarter. The Irish quickly responded as Golson sprinted in from 13 yards out with 13 seconds left in the first half, and Notre Dame never looked back.

According to Irish sophomore receiver Will Fuller, Golson pulled the offense together before halftime.

“We weren’t executing as we wish that we should, so (Golson) brought us together right before halftime and told us, ‘We’ve got to get going, we’ve got to execute,’ things like that,” Fuller said.

The Irish composed a lacklustre first half and only led 14-14 at the intermission. Notre Dame committed five first-half penalties, misfired on a field goal, missed tackles and committed its first turnover of the season. In a span of two-second-quarter drives, the Irish tallied negative yardage on six plays, punts and fumbles.

“There was no energy — the ‘D-boys’ spirit, a bit of enthusiasm, things like that, so it was about bringing that to the table,” Irish sophomore linebacker Jaylon Smith said of what needed to change at halftime.

“Somebody had to make a play and once that happened, we got going.” The Irish defense made its share of plays in the second half. Purdue only tallied 121 yards of total offense in the second half.

The Boilermakers ended their second-half drives with a punt, punt, turnover-on-downs, punt, interception and interception. Irish sophomore corner DeQuintrelle Devon Butler and senior linebacker Joe Schmidt both record their first-career interceptions in the fourth quarter to knot the victory.

Butler and freshman safety Drue Tranquill were forced into extended action in a depleted secondary. By the final whistle, the list of sidelined and withheld Irish defensive backs included junior cornerback KeiVarae Russell, graduate student safety Austin Collinsworth, senior safety Eliar Hardy, Luke, Bedfield and Baratti.

“There’s no waiver wire, there’s no trading in college football,” Kelly said. “We’re trying to get young guys ready. That’s what we’re trying to do in the locker room.”

Early in the second half, the Notre Dame offense started to click. Golson converted four of five third downs on the first two second-half drives, fitting in passes to Fuller, junior receiver C.J. Prosise, Robinson and sophomore running back Greg Bryant. After a 17-yard off-dump-off to Bryant, Golson grooved a 15-yard strike to Robinson in the corner of the end zone to lift the Irish lead to 24-14 with 4:05 to play in the third quarter.

“I knew that Everett was coming to me, I knew that the guys really needed me to make that play, so I just rose up, and I caught it, got smacked a couple times, and I woke up on the ground and had a touchdown,” Robinson said simply of his first touchdown of the season.

The Boilermakers slugged through their next two drives, and Notre Dame entered the fourth quarter ahead by 10. Brindza buried a 48-yard field goal with 9:11 remaining, and the Irish picked off Boilermakers sophomore quarterback Danny Etling on Purdue’s two successive possessions to finalize the victory.

“There’s no easy wins in college football,” Irish graduate student cornerback Cody Riggs said.

On the opening drive of the game, Notre Dame stormed down the field quickly to lead 7-0 just 2:37 in after Golson connected with Fuller on a slant.

A few possessions later, the Boilermakers drove 67 yards down the field, capitalizing on some missed tackles by the Irish defense. Purdue tied the game, 7-7, with 1:50 remaining in the first quarter.

Following Irish senior tight end Ben Koyack’s fumble, the Boilermakers rumbled 26 yards into the end zone, highlighted by the nifty 19-yard touchdown snitch by Yancey to put Purdue up 14-10.

But Notre Dame responded in the final minutes of the first half. Golson connected with Robinson over the top of the Purdue defense for 32 yards to get the Irish to the 12-yard line. Two plays later, Golson motored behind a strong block from junior receiver Chris Brown and notched his fourth rushing score of the season to lift the Irish back ahead, 17-14, heading to the halftime break.

Bedfield was ejected for targeting when he hit Etling in the neck/ head area after Etling scrambled and tried to slide. Bedfield will be eligible to play in Notre Dame’s next game against Syracuse.

The Irish are off next week and return to the field Sept. 27 when they square off with Syracuse at MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, New Jersey.

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Irish junior receiver C.J. Prosise wrestles the ball away from Boilermakers junior defensive back Frankie Williams during Notre Dame’s 30-14 win Saturday.
Field with five seconds remaining on the clock at halftime because it was too late to try to coach it up on the run,” Irish head coach Brian Kelly said. “We’re depleted at that position.”

So the Irish spent halftime trying to get ready for the young Boilermakers while also re-setting the overall defensive mindset.

“We got into halftime, we got together — the defense — and talk to each other, and we knew that we had to execute better because we came out flat,” Irish junior defensive end Romeo Okwara said. “In the second half, we definitely executed better.”

Okwara posted a career-high 11 tackles to pace the Irish. Okwara saw a marked increase in his snap total, as defensive end Andrew Trumbetti (head/neck/chest) was sidelined.

With the Irish up three early in the third quarter, Purdue ran up the middle on third-and-three. Okwara was there to stuff Boilermakers senior running back Raheem Mostert for no gain. Notre Dame also gridlocked Purdue on two fourth downs, from one and five yards, respectively.

“IT’s all about leverage in those fourth-down situations and how Purdue was competing against them.

So we can’t draw any conclusions based on Irish strategy yesterday because the Boilermakers — no matter how bad their record is — always show up against Notre Dame.

At the same time, we can’t draw any conclusions because the Irish faced serious adversity with an excess of players absent from the field at Lucas Oil Stadium on Saturday. “Take a look at the secondary. Sophomore safety Max Redfield was ejected in the first half on a targeting penalty. Graduate student safety Anthony Collinsworth hasn’t made his debut after an MCL injury sidelined him shortly before the season kicked off. Junior safety Nicky Baratti left the game with a shoulder injury that Brian Kelly said will require season-ending surgery. Sophomore cornerback Cole Luke was taken out in the second half with a neck injury as a concussion precaution. Junior cornerback KeiVarae Russell still sits from practice and competition while the ongoing academic investigation continues.

That left only three “veteran” players in the secondary Saturday night: graduate student cornerback Cody Riggs, senior cornerback Matthias Farley — who just made the switch to that position from safety — and junior safety Elijah Shumate — the player everyone ripped into after a few blown plays against Rice, but praised after a lock-down performance against Michigan.

That’s probably not how Brian Kelly imagined his depth chart before the season started.

But there are some positives from the first three games, which could turn out to have serious results down the road.

Though most of Notre Dame’s offense is young, it’s shown up well in every game. Sophomores Tarean Folston, Greg Bryant and Corey Robinson have all lived up to preseason expectations. Okwara registered a career-high four tackles against Purdue as he stepped up in place of injured freshman Andrew Trumbetti.

And still to everyone’s shock, the return game is as good as it’s ever been in the Kelly era, despite some struggles Saturday.

Then, all these are hypotheses — they could turn into the factors that will make this a great season for Notre Dame, but nothing is set in stone right now.

Until the Irish face a real test, which will most likely come Oct. 4 against Stanford, it’s simply too soon to tell.

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By MARY GREEN

Sophomore receiver Will Fuller became the first Notre Dame receiver to catch a touchdown in each of the first three games of a season since Michael Floyd did so in 2009.

Fuller grabbed a six-yard pass from senior quarterback Everett Golson at the 12:23 mark of the first quarter to put Notre Dame ahead, 7-0.

In the season opener against Rice, Fuller notched a 75-yard touchdown reception from Golson, and he caught a 24-yard pass for a score against Michigan.

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Irish sophomore receiver Corey Robinson hauls in a touchdown grab during Notre Dame’s 30-14 win over Purdue on Saturday in the Shamrock Series at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. Robinson tallied three receptions for 52 yards as the Irish outscored the Boilermakers 13-0 in the second half.

Notre Dame started slowly against Purdue but finished strongly and topped the Boilermakers, 30-14, in the Shamrock Series clash at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. Irish senior quarterback Everett Golson tossed for two touchdowns and added another on the ground, while the Notre Dame defense limited Purdue to just 121 yards of total offense in the second-half shutout. The 3-0 Irish enter the bye week.

Irish sophomore safety Max Redfield hits Purdue quarterback Danny Etling in the second quarter. Redfield was ejected for targeting.

Irish senior linebacker Joe Schmidt aims to track down Purdue sophomore quarterback Danny Etling.

Irish sophomore running back Tarean Folston tries to break away from the Purdue defense.

Irish sophomore defensive end Isaac Rochell clings to Boilermakers senior running back Akeem Hunt during Notre Dame’s 30-14 win Saturday in Indianapolis.
The story is, of course, told from Christopher's perspective; we see the world of Swindon through his eyes. He is a keen fan of all things mathematical, and his love of numbers and words allows him to see the world in a unique way.

Oliver Tate, the existential protagonist in Richard Ayodee's directorial debut, "Submarine," wonders what is inside of everyday after stumbling upon an encyclopaedia entry on ultrasound. "We're all traveling under the radar undetected, and no one can do a thing about it," he states. "Submarine" flew under the radar itself, however, now streaming on Netflix, the film's character begins to be viewed and, furthermore, interpreted. You will submerge yourself in Tate's world, indigiling in his narration and bitter humor.

Tate wishes there was a film crew following his every move and acts in an accordingly melodramatic, self-reflective way.

"I don't what I am yet. I've tried smoking a pipe, flipping coins and listening exclusively to French crooners," Tate confesses.

"Some other times I go to the beach and stare at the sea as though I'm in a documentary as a prominent thinker, what do you call this?" Tate asks. "Sometimes I think I know about my life and a chain of events that changes everything."

When Christopher decides to investigate the brutal murder of a neighbor, his father (Howard Nightingale) and his pet rat, Toby. Though it is never actually said, it is understood that Christopher's ideas are fluid — actors move around, alternating between characters and props, seamlessly blending storylines, trading the job of narrating Christopher's story — giving me the sense that the world whirls around Christopher while he only sometimes notices. The stage is a chalkboard and a map, and it is also a projection canvas: when Christopher has a pointed thought, that thought is written out on the stage. When he stressed out, sanse of prime numbers emanate from where he stands. In one breathtakingly beautiful scene, Christopher talks about his desire to go to outer space: as the thought progresses, that thought is written out on the stage. The lights focus on him, and stars and galaxies blink to life on the walls and stage floor and Christopher's body. Music rises into the scene as the other actors bear Christoper aloft, letting him drift away through the void, leaving the confusing and complicated world behind. The stage — and the play as a whole — speaks to the beauty, humor and sadness of Christopher's world. It both respects and adds to the novel; in a way, I now consider my experience with "The Curious Incident" complete.

Though "The Curious Incident" showed only once at DPAC, there are more takeaways than just the play itself: the novel, of course, remains amazing, an beautiful and sympathetic look at the world of autism, and I could not recommend it more. National Theatre Live is a unique and entertaining theatre company, and DPAC often screens its performances, so be on the lookout for more.

"The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time" was, however, an incredible adaptation of an incredible novel, one that deserves every accolade it wins and every audience member it wins over.

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Let the Peterson process play out

Mary Green
Sports Editor

You had to know this column was coming. It was almost inevitable after such a tumultuous week in the NFL.

Ray Rice was cut by the Ravens and indefinitely suspended by the league after the video of him hitting his then-fiancée, now-wife, surfaced. Adrian Peterson was charged with reckless or negligent injury to a child by allegedly using a branch to hit his four-year-old son, and he was subsequently deactivated by the Vikings for Sunday’s game against the Patriots.

The Panthers made a last-minute decision to deactivate Greg Hardy for their matchup Sunday against the Lions after head coach Ron Rivera faced criticism for stdating Hardy would be the player’s decision to play. The defensive end was found guilty of threatening and assaulting his ex-girlfriend in July.

The responses to the Rice and Hardy cases seem to be clear. Abusing or assaulting a spouse or significant other is a black-and-white decision. The fact of the matter has no way to justify it because it is simply wrong. Commissioner Roger Goodell dropped the ball with his initial decision to only suspend Rice for two games, and he missed a key opportunity for the NFL to declare a strong stance against domestic violence. The NFL has set a precedent for future cases.

But after the video evidence emerged last week, there were no more murmurs against Hardy. The light of the controversy surrounding Rice and Peterson — he wasn’t suspended for their week-one game against Tampa Bay — seems they only took punitive action because they were forced to.

The Hardy case brings up the question of why the Panthers didn’t act sooner since he was found guilty two months ago. It seems they only took punitive measures against Hardy because he didn’t light the fire of an arson suspect. Perhaps the same decision about Peterson, his situation, the facts and the crime. It’s not something that should be done immediately based on a quick reaction.

There were far too many people calling Peterson’s head as soon as the story broke, saying he should be suspended for the rest of the season or even kicked out of the NFL for life. Those kinds of gut reactions are what started and fueled the Reign of Terror during the French Revolution.

That was what Rivera said was his rationale when he initially decided to keep Hardy active for yesterday’s game. Come to think of it, he said, “We are in a process, and we’re letting the process play its way out. Because of that, we’re following through with the situation, set of circumstances. We’re not trying to do anything both board or way above board.”

Teams don’t want to let a criminal — whether that be a wife-beater or a child-abuser — roam their sidelines on Sundays. But they don’t want to be too quick to jump the gun either and convict an innocent man in a kangaroo court.

There’s no easy answer for cases like Peterson’s. Much deliberation is put into selecting commissioners like Goodell, because they will need to make difficult decisions. We just need to have faith in those leaders to make that right decision and use their judgment and reason before sending down a ruling too harsh or too lenient.

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The Cove — Column of the Week

Thirty days and thirty nights. Been so long since you left. I miss you so. I miss you more. I was thinking of you when I was writing this. I wish I knew what you’re going through. I wish I knew if you were going to be okay. I wish I knew how you were doing. I wish I knew if you were thinking of me.

I’m not saying the Viking made the wrong decision in deactivating Peterson. In all honesty, I have no idea what I would do in that situation.

But at the same time, Peterson has been charged with a crime but not yet found guilty. Yes, just being charged with an offense as egregious as beating your own child is against many legal and ethical lines. It’s certainly not anything to be proud of.

Allegedly, his son suffered bruises and cuts in several places on his lower body. If those allegations are true, Peterson should face a lengthy suspension from the NFL, at the least.

However, the legal system has not found Peterson guilty, so he is still presumed innocent. That’s something understood in the fifth and sixth amendment of the U.S. Constitution along with common law in many countries around the world.

In the end, the Vikings probably made the right call to sit Peterson. But it wasn’t a good one. It doesn’t come with much reflection and contemplation about Peterson, his situation, the facts and the crime. It’s not something that should be done immediately based on a quick reaction.

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Griffin dislocated his left ankle in the first quarter of Washington’s 41-10 victory over Jacksonville, putting his season in jeopardy. The Red skins quarterback was scheduled for X-rays and an MRI to determine more about the injury. He and coach Jay Gruden did not offer a timetable for a return, but the injury typically sidelines NFL players for at least two months.

“Moments like this,” Griffin said, “you just have to keep the faith.”
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TAKING A SCIENTIFIC APPROACH TO SCIENCE EDUCATION

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The University's water system is a privately owned public water supply operated by the Utilities Department. The University's system provides water to the University community and the nearby C.S.C. property. Questions regarding the system or testing results can be directed to Paul Kempf, Director of Utilities, 182 Facilities Building, Notre Dame, IN 46556, phone 574.631.5037.

The water is drawn from deep aquifers surrounded by substantial clay barriers that serve to protect the groundwater supply. We do not believe that our source is vulnerable to contamination. We also are taking steps to ensure that our water source does not become contaminated through our Wellhead Protection Program. This program assists in defining where the water supply comes from and methods to protect the aquifers from potential contamination.

Water quality data can be found online at the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1.800.426.4791) or at the EPAs website at www.epa.gov/safewater.

### Contaminants that might be expected to be in source water (untreated water) include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
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- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or are the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, persons with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly susceptible. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection from Cryptosporidium and microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1.800.426.4791) or at the EPA's website at www.epa.gov/safewater.

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We have tested for over 156 parameters regulated by the EPA and the State of Indiana. Included in these tests are metals, volatile organics, pesticides, herbicides, synthetic organic chemicals and cyanide.

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Please recycle The Observer.
Irish win first game of year but drop two more

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame achieved its first victory of the 2014 season, along with two losses this weekend at the Shamrock Invitational at Purcell Pavilion. The Irish (1-7) lost 3-1 against TCU on Friday, won 3-1 against Northeastern on Saturday and lost 3-1 against Northern Iowa later in the day.

Friday evening’s match against the Horned Frogs (6-4) proved difficult for Notre Dame, who put up large numbers compared to its opponent. Despite producing 65 kills, 69 digs, 61 assists and four services aces, the Irish could not keep up with TCU’s .351 hitting average and 9-3 blocking ratio.

Notre Dame started off the match strong, taking the first set, 26-24. However, momentum ran short for the Irish in the next three sets, losing to the Horned Frogs, 25-18, 25-21 and 26-24. Senior middle blocker Jeni Houser was a bright spot for the Irish, racking in 20 kills to tie her career high.

Four freshmen — setter Maddie Dilfer, outside hitter Sydney Kuhn, middle blocker Sam Fry and libero Natalie Johnson — also stood out for Notre Dame. Dilfer and Kuhn recorded double-doubles, while Fry accumulated 10 kills, and Johnson had a season-high eight assists.

On Saturday afternoon, the Irish dominated the court against the Huskies (5-5), winning the first two sets, 25-18 and 25-19. The third set kept Notre Dame from a sweep, allowing the Huskies a 25-20 win. However, the Irish bounced back and took the final set, 25-17, to win their first game of the 2014 campaign.

Notre Dame started out strong against Northeastern, hitting .409 in the first match. Houser and graduate student outside hitter Nicole Smith both accumulated three kills to lead the Irish to a 25-18 victory. The next set only improved for Notre Dame, who held a constant lead throughout to give the Irish the 25-19 set. Northeastern scored seven of the last eight points for a 25-20 Huskies win in the third set. However, the Irish concluded the match hitting .351 in the final set to take a 25-17 victory.

Notre Dame closed out the Shamrock Invitational with a loss to Northern Iowa (5-5) on Saturday evening. Despite pounding 57 kills and hitting a season-high .331, Notre Dame recorded 11 errors and could not stop the Panthers, who out-dug the Irish, 61-44.

Northern Iowa rolled over the Irish the first two sets, taking each set 25-20 and 25-21. Several Irish players continued their strong weekends however, with Houser recording 15 kills, while sophomore middle blocker Katie Higgins amassed a career-high seven kills to break her previous career best from earlier in the day against the Huskies. Kuhn added 10 kills, eight digs and two blocks to her stats, and Fry ended the match with nine kills and two blocks. Other than Kuhn and Houser, Smith was the only other Irish player to reach double figures in kills, with 12 during the match.

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With Saturday’s win, Northern Iowa took first place in the tournament, while Panther sophomore outside hitter Lindsey Schulz won tournament MVP. Both Houser and Kuhn earned spots on the all-tournament team as the Irish finished third overall.

Notre Dame will conclude its tournament portion of the season next weekend as it competes in the Purdue Active Ankle Challenge in West Lafayette, Ind. The Irish will play against Morehead State and Saint Louis on Friday before taking on No. 8 Purdue on Saturday.
forward] Leon [Brown] and I combined for some great runs which really tired out Syracuse’s physical, athletic defenders. This allowed the younger guys — Jon and [freshman forward] Jeff [Farina] — to come on and really put together a great performance at the end of the game.

Clark said he was impressed as well with the offense’s performance and the plays his forwards were able to create on the field.

“All of our strikers did very well,” Clark said. “We played the more experienced Leon and Vence for the majority of the game. They were very, very good and put in a lot of hard work. [And then] we put in the two young strikers — Jon and Jeff — and they were the most composed and dangerous they have ever looked. They are beginning to find their feet.”

The previously undefeated Orange did not leave the field without putting up a fight. They led the Irish 13-12 in shots and kept continuous pressure on Irish graduate student goalkeeper Patrick Wall, who had three saves during the match. For the Irish, the biggest obstacle in containing the Orange was managing their counterstrike, Ciccarelli said.

“Our biggest challenge was dealing with Syracuse’s transition game,” Ciccarelli said. “They play a very direct style, which combined with their athleticism makes them dangerous on the counter attack. But our midfield and defenders were able to handle that very well, which really shut down Syracuse’s best chances at scoring.”

With their first ACC game under their belt, the Irish continue conference play Sunday against No. 15 Virginia. Notre Dame’s only regular season loss in 2013 was a 2-0 loss to Virginia, which also beat the Irish, 4-3, in penalty kicks in the semifinals of the ACC tournament.

“Virginia next week on the road will be a very difficult task, and we know it will not be an easy environment to play in,” Ciccarelli said. “But if we can band together like we did [Saturday] night, and combine that with a little vengeance [from last year] I think we can get a positive result. We are looking forward to it.”

The Irish take on ACC rival Virginia on Sunday at Klockner Stadium in Charlottesville, Virginia at noon. The game will be broadcasted on ESPNU.
The No. 4 Irish opened ACC play with a 1-0 victory over conference-rival No. 20 Syracuse on Saturday in Syracuse, New York.

Notre Dame (3-1-1, 1-0-0 ACC) beat an undefeated No. 20 Syracuse (4-1-0, 0-1-0), who had not given up a goal on the season. The Irish ended the streak in front of a crowd of 2,442 at SU Soccer Stadium.

“We went in knowing that it was going to be a very hard game,” Irish coach Bobby Clark said. “Syracuse was an undefeated team, hadn’t let up any goals and we were playing in front of a packed stadium. The team handled a very confident Syracuse team very well. I thought that they showed a lot of character and composure in handling the game.”

Sophomore defender Brandon Aubrey’s first career goal put the Irish up 1-0 in the 75th minute and firing his shot near post, but Bono made another save for the Orange. Following Aubrey’s goal, freshman forward Jon Gallagher almost doubled Notre Dame’s lead with a breakaway shot that Bono once again denied. Gallagher had a second attempt in the 79th minute.

“Offensively, I think we worked really hard off the ball to create space and opportunities for our midfield to play through,” Cicciarelli said. “Graduate student Kelli shooting 2-over [par] was huge,” Holt said. “I thought she played really well. The fact that everyone shot one round of 75 or below was great for us.”

Individuality. Oride jumped from her spot at the beginning of the day in 40th to finish tied for 37th in the tournament of the season.

The Irish senior forward Vince Cicciarelli keeps a defender at bay during Notre Dame’s 1-0 loss to Kentucky on Sept. 8. Cicciarelli had two shots against Syracuse on Saturday.

Irish senior forward Vince Cicciarelli keeps a defender at bay during Notre Dame’s 1-0 victory over Baylor on Friday.

ND WOMEN’S SOCCER | ND 1, SYRACUSE 0

Notre Dame opens ACC play with win

After first loss of season, Aubrey scores first career goal, Wall blanks Syracuse as squad bests Orange

By KIT LOUGHRAN | Sports Writer

Irish grab two wins to end non-conference play

By GREG HADLEY | Associate Sports Editor

ND WOMEN’S GOLF | MARY FOSSUM INVITATIONAL

ND wins first invitational of year

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The Irish could not have gotten off to a better start to their season, finishing atop a 15-team field in the Mary Fossum Invitational at the Forest Akers West Golf Course in East Lansing, Mich., in their first tournament of the season.

The winning Notre Dame performance included a fourth-place individual finish by junior Talia Campbell and a ninth-place finish by senior captain Ashley Armstrong. The Irish teed off Saturday, playing back-to-back 18-hole rounds, followed by another 18 holes Sunday.

After the first day of the Invitational, Notre Dame found itself in second place, seven strokes behind the tournament hosts, No. 20 Michigan State. The Irish boasted three top-ten golfers heading into the final 18 holes. Campbell was in fifth after rounds of 73 and 76, while Armstrong and sophomore Jordan Ferreira posted identical 78-73 marks and stood in ninth.