University asks Supreme Court to review HHS case

By ANN MARIE JAKUBOWSKI
Editor-in-Chief

In May 2012, Notre Dame filed its initial lawsuit for relief from Affordable Care Act’s contraceptive mandate.

Two years and four months later, after several rounds of denials and appeals, the University’s attorneys filed paperwork Friday asking the U.S. Supreme Court to review the case, citing the Court’s June ruling in favor of Hobby Lobby’s decision to provide certain types of birth control in its health insurance plan.

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University will not release results of inquiry

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The academic dishonesty hearings for the five players withheld from football concluded Friday, but the University will not disclose the results of its inquiry. A University spokesman said in a statement issued Sunday afternoon.

Paul Browne, vice president for public affairs and communications, said decisions will be communicated directly to the individual student-athletes affected as deliberations on each case conclude.

“As with other student academic records, the results of the review are confidential, and the University will not disclose them, although affected students may if they so choose,” Browne said in the statement.

“If it is determined that student-athletes would have been ineligible during past competition, Notre Dame will voluntarily impose appropriate sanctions, report our findings to the NCAA and await its independent review.”

Students promote ‘Irish State of Mind’

ND groups foster increased mental health awareness

By MARGARET HYNDS
News Writer

Editor’s note: This is the first installment in a five-day series discussing mental health at Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s in recognition of National Mental Health Awareness Week.

Irish State of Mind Week, the University’s manifestation of National Mental Health Awareness Week, will take place this week Oct. 5-10 across Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s campuses.

Notre Dame Student Government, who partnered with the Notre Dame chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI-ND) this year, planned more than 10 events that will take place across campus this week.

NAMI-ND president Maggie Skoch said the purpose of NAMI-ND and Irish State of Mind week is to “educate and make students more aware of resources and to encourage conversation.”

Support a Belle, Love a Belle week begins at SMC

By KELLY KONYA
Saint Mary’s Editor

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In order to raise awareness of mental health issues, such as ADD/ADHD, depression, eating disorders, anxiety and addiction, Saint Mary’s will host a series of events throughout the week deemed “Support A Belle, Love A Belle (SABLAB).” The week is sponsored by the Saint Mary’s community in collaboration with Notre Dame’s Irish State of Mind week.

Senior and co-chair of the student government association’s (SGA) social concerns committee Chloe Deranek said this year’s theme is hope, a result of the committee’s finding that in most cases of mental health the factor that pushes people toward suicide is feelings of hopelessness.

“Throughout our week, we will be promoting hope with the four concepts of faith, family, friends and fun,” she said.

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Touchdown Jesus, formally called the Word of Life mural, will be illuminated in green as part of “Irish State of Mind” week. Green is the official color of mental illness awareness.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY:

If you were a dog, what breed would you be?

Lauren Machado

Freshman

Saint Mary's Hall

“Mutt.”

Erin Hayes

Freshman

Walsh Hall

“Lab.”

Kyra Powell

Freshman

McGlinn Hall

“Irish red and white setter.”

Nicholas Furnari

Freshman

Siegfried Hall

“Maltese.”

Ivan Finkelstein

Freshman

Siegfried Hall

“Chihuahua.”

John King

Junior

Fisher Hall

“Golden retriever.”

The Leprechaun, senior John Doran, leads the student section in cheers during Saturday’s football game. Senior quarterback Everett Golson threw the game-winning touchdown to senior tight end Ben Koyack to beat the Cardinal, 17-14, with 1:01 to go.
Students react to narrow win over Stanford

By Peter Durbin
News Writer

In a hard-fought game that required battling both the weather and the nation's number one ranked team, Notre Dame defeated the Stanford Cardinals 17-14. The game had major college league playoff implications, with the Irish strengthening their resume to earn the No. 5 USA Today Top 25 and No. 6 AP Top 25 football rankings. Several ESPN commentators also included Notre Dame in their predictions for one of the final four teams included in College Football Playoff at the end of the season.

Although the weather played a significant role in the game, as both teams' offenses struggled to consistently move the ball, junior Matt Castellini said it did not dampen his enthusiasm. "It was like I always say, rule No. 76: no excuses, play like a champion. We did that in the stands, and they did that on the field."

Senior Casey Macdonald said the game reminded her of the 2011 Notre Dame game against the Southern Utah Thunderbirds, which was postponed multiple times due to inclement weather. "Seniors started their football careers at Notre Dame with thunderstorms, two delays of game, evacuating the stadium and hours of wait time," Macdonald said. "Notre Dame fans are not strangers to adverse weather."

Although some fans made for the exits as early as halftime, a vast majority of the student section stayed to cheer on the team. "I was so glad I stayed until the end," senior Claire Lupo said. "It was maybe the best game I have ever seen our D-Boys play."

The fans were raucous and aided Notre Dame's defense, as a combination of strong secondary play by the Irish and an inability to move the ball on Stanford's part allowed senior quarterback Everett Golson and the offense one last opportunity to win the game. Junior Chuckie Connors said he celebrated excessively, at his own expense. "in the stands," he said. "I sprained my ankle, but it was well worth it."

"The game was a back-and-forth affair that saw neither team establish its dominance, until Everett Golson's game-winning 23-yard pass to wide receiver Ben Koyack gave the Irish the lead for good. Senior Shannon Hogan said she felt the Irish were always going to win the game. "It was just proof that the Irish will always pull through in the end," she said. "I think all of us could feel that we were going to win that game, we could feel the need to win that the players wanted too."

Notre Dame fans can now turn their attention to upcoming opponents, including an away matchup in two weeks against the Florida State Seminoles. Senior Kevin McManns said he is confident the Irish can continue to win on their home turf.

"This was the last home game I thought we could lose, and I'm glad we survived it," he said. Regardless of the weather, the Irish continue to find ways to win tight games.

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University prepares to build research facility

Observer Staff Report

Saturday, the University broke ground on McCartney Hall, a "world-class research facility" to be located east of the Hesburgh Library, according to a Notre Dame press release.

"McCourtney Hall creates a great opportunity for the research programs in science and engineering at Notre Dame," Robert Bernhard, vice president for research at Notre Dame, said in a statement. "The building is designed as a collaborative and adaptive space to encourage cross-disciplinary research interaction along the entire continuum of basic and applied research. ... We expect the building to be a game-changer for science and engineering research at Notre Dame."

Set for completion in June 2016, the building will house the department of chemical and biomolecular engineering as well as the department of chemistry and biochemistry from the College of Science. It will also feature about 100,000 square feet of laboratory and team spaces, 40,000 square feet of which will remain "unassigned to facilitate new hires," the release stated.

"McCourtney Hall is the first dedicated research building to be constructed in a planned larger East Campus Research Complex," the release stated. "The research quad will create, for the first time at Notre Dame, a space for highly collaborative, state-of-the-art research that crosses the Colleges of Science and Engineering. The building will support research space needs that are currently unmet on campus and facilitate current Strategic Research Initiatives and the Advancing Our Vision hiring plans within the molecular sciences."

A $35 million gift from alumna Ted H. McCartney and his wife, Tracy, underwrote the construction of the building. Alumnus and Notre Dame trustee Thomas J. Crotty, Jr. and his wife, Shari, donated $10 million for the facility.

Lecture begins Digital Week

By Jeremy Capello Lee
News Writer

CEO of edX and MIT professor uploaded the first annual ND Digital Week on Friday with the keynote lecture entitled "Reinventing Education."

Agarwal said online education not only provides access to superb teaching where education is difficult, but also has the potential to improve the quality of education at existing universities. edX, the first open online course (MOOC) provider, reaches a global audience and offers 300 courses to nearly 3 million learners, Agarwal said.

Featuring courses in a variety of disciplines taught by professors from Harvard, MIT and other renowned institutions, edX also caters to multiple experiments with San Jose State University, Agarwal said the aim is to blend online learning with in-class instruction with corresponding edX videos fared better than students who only took the course.

"In the traditional sections the failure rate for the course was historically 41 percent," he said. "But in the blended version, the failure rate was 9 percent."

Agarwal said there is a synergy between online learning and traditional instruction and hopes more schools will adopt this method of instruction.

"Whether you are a community college or private university, I believe that blended learning can be used by everybody," he said.

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Fans brooded 45-degree temperatures and rain on Saturday to watch Notre Dame's last-minute defeat of Stanford.
THE PLACE OF THEOLOGY AT A CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

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Monday, October 6
6:00 PM (updated event time)
102 DeBartolo Hall
The event is free and open to the public. Reception to follow.
### Red Mass

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Most Rev. Kevin C. Rhoades, Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend, together with the Notre Dame Law School, the Department of Political Science, the Interdisciplinary Program in Constitutional Studies, and the members of the Red Mass Committee request the honor of your presence and that of your guests at the celebration of a Red Mass for lawyers, judges, law and political science students, and civil government officials at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on Monday, October 6, 2014, at 5:15 p.m.

The celebration of this ancient rite in which God’s blessing is asked on all those who serve the law will be followed by a reception in the Eck Commons, located on the second floor of the Law School.

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Mandate

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... asked the U.S. Supreme Court, in light of its decision in Burwell v. Hobby Lobby Stores Inc. to vacate the decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit and remand our case for consideration,” Paul Browne, the University’s vice president for public affairs and communications, said in a statement. “The 7th Circuit has declined to make a determination as to whether Notre Dame was required to provide contraceptive coverage through its third-party health care administrator, Meritain Health, in accordance with the accommodation available to religious employers.

In the filing, attorneys Matthew Kairis and Noel Francisco wrote that “the lower courts declined to protect the University of Notre Dame du Lac from being forced to violate its religious beliefs by participating in a regulatory scheme to provide its employees and students with coverage for abortion-inducing products, contraceptives and sterilization.” The petition argues that the 7th Circuit Court’s decision “cannot be reconciled” with the Supreme Court’s ruling on Hobby Lobby.

“Contrary to Hobby Lobby’s clear command, the 7th Circuit chose to conduct a lengthy analysis of whether Notre Dame was correct in its assertion that the actions it must take to comply with the accommodation would ‘make the University an accomplice in the provision of contraceptives and sterilization,’ the petition states. “The 7th Circuit failed to appreciate that whether a particular action makes the University complicit in the provision of contraceptive coverage is a religious judgment, rooted in Catholic teachings regarding the permissible degree of entanglement in illicit conduct.”

The petition further argues that the accommodation allowing Notre Dame to provide the contraceptive coverage through Meritain Health still imposes “a substantial burden” on Notre Dame still has a religious objection to maintaining that contractual relationship.

“...the government has effectively ‘poisoned’ the insurance market for Notre Dame, making it impossible to offer health coverage consistent with its religious beliefs,” the attorney’s wrote. “Just as a Mormon might refuse to hire a caterer that insisted on serving alcohol to his wedding guests, or a Jew might refuse to hire a caterer determined to serve pork at his son’s bar mitzvah, it violates Notre Dame’s religious beliefs to hire or maintain a relationship with any third party that will provide contraceptive care to its plan beneficiaries.”

In June, Notre Dame law professor Rick Garnett told The Observer that Hobby Lobby was not yet technically eligible for the same accommodation as Notre Dame since it is a for-profit, non-religious corporation. However, “it is still an open question whether the revised mandate violates the Religious Freedom Restoration Act as applied to Notre Dame and other religious employers.”

However, both Hobby Lobby and Notre Dame “are both entitled to invoke the [Religious Freedom Restoration Act]’s protections,” which was enacted by Congress to provide more generous accommodations to religious objects than the Constitution requires, Garnett said.

In an essay published on the SCOTUS blog, law professor and

Honor Code

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Notre Dame announced its investigation Aug. 15, and Irish junior cornerback KeiVarae Russell, senior defensive end Ishaq Williams and senior receiver DaVaris Daniels, senior student-athletes, have been held out of practice and competition in an essay published on the Facebook page of the Office of Ethics and Culture O. Carter Snead wrote that the Supreme Court’s Hobby Lobby decision “follows from the most natural and straightforward reading of the [Religious Freedom Restoration Act], given both its text and the jurisprudence in which it is situated.”

The attorneys’ argument in the petition concurs with Snead’s analysis of the accommodation in his essay.

“The accommodation in this context forces the religious employer to say ‘no’ in a manner that functions as a legally operable yes,” Snead wrote.

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According to Notre Dame’s website, Russell is in the Mendoza College of Business, while Daniels, Williams and Hardy are in the College of Arts and Letters. Moore, who is currently enrolled in graduate courses, graduated in May from the College of Arts and Letters.

In the statement, Browne provided a link to the attached online text of the honor code, revised May 5, 2014, according to the site. Before this weekend, the version available online dated back to 2011.

“The principle purpose of the Honor Code process is to educate our students as to the importance of academic integrity,” Browne said in the statement. “The process is time-consuming because it is thorough, as it must be to ensure integrity and fairness.

“Having said that, we recognize it can be difficult for students, regardless of culpability, who are subject to such reviews, especially when public scrutiny becomes so magnified for those who are student-athletes. We are working to resolve these situations as quickly as possible.”
Irish State of Mind Week began over the weekend with the illumination of Touchdown Jesus in green, the “awareness color of mental illness” according to senior and student government director of residence life Brent Murphy. Murphy said Touchdown Jesus will remain green all week.

Murphy, the principle member of student government in charge of event planning, said he inherited the event from former director of residence life Stephanie Klotter.

“Once Lauren [Vidal] and Matt [Devine] asked me to be involved, we looked to partner a little bit more with NAMI,” he said. “Irish State of Mind Week is obviously right up their alley, and it’s something they’re really passionate about. We feel that by partnering more with them, we could give them a bigger platform for everything that they’re doing. Working with them has been a big learning experience, but it’s been awesome.”

The sponsors planned two events for Monday, “Let’s Talk” at 2 p.m. in LaFortune Student Center and a screening of the documentary “On the Bridge,” directed by Notre Dame professor Olivier Morel, explores post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) among U.S. veterans of the Iraq War. Morel and former U.S. marine Vince Emanuele, who appears in the documentary, are available for a Q&A session after the screening.

“The documentary is very impressive,” Murphy said. “And Professor Morel is absolutely great.”

Tuesday night NAMI-ND planned what Skoch described as “a night of storytelling,” titled “In Our Own Words.”

“We’re going to have nine students telling stories about the way that mental illness has touched their lives, either through themselves, a family member or a friend,” Skoch said. “I think everyone’s lives have been touched by mental illness. It’s terrible. It’s such a widespread issue, but there’s beauty in solidarity.”

Wednesday afternoon the University Counseling Center (UCC) will have an open house in the Dooley Room in LaFortune, featuring massage chairs and sun lamps from the Inner Resource Room. Murphy said Late Night Breakfast, an event which is new this year, is “student government’s baby.”

“South Dining Hall will be open from 10 p.m. to 12 a.m. on Wednesday, serving all the breakfast foods,” Murphy said. “Since a lot of the events are a little heavier substance-wise, it’s a little lighter to balance that out. We thought it would be a good fit thematically for the week.”

“SUB has partnered with us, and Acousticafé will be there. We’re really hoping to drive people there to raise awareness. There will be stress relievers out on South Quad, and a banner to sign that will hopefully go up and LaFawn before the UNC game on Saturday. It’s been fun to plan, and Food Services has been very receptive to it, as well. All anyone needs to come is to save one meal swipe, and then you’re good to go.”

Other highlights of the week include a lecture by Tom Seeberg, father of former Saint Mary’s student Lizzy Seeberg who committed suicide in September 2010. The talk is entitled “Believe: Giving Witness to Hope.”

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“Seeberg’s talk will focus on the issues of mental illness and I think sexual assault as he has experience them through losing Lizzy,” Skoch said.

“People aren’t afraid to name physical ailments, but we have a very hard time naming some of these hidden issues that you can’t always see very well. If more people would say the words, I think it would get us so much farther than keeping the words bottled up.”

A full list of events can be found on the Irish State of Mind Facebook page. Contact Margaret Hynds at mhynds@nd.edu

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I went to China with my mother after graduating high school. We went sightseeing, climbed the steps of many mountains and enjoyed many performances. We took photos at every scenic view and recorded videos during every cable cart ride or Chinese opera show. I was physically present at every moment, however, I felt distant from every experience.

Getting back to the states, I started realizing how often my friends and I would take pictures of our food. I noticed how often we would stop in the middle of the street to take selfies. I realized how ridiculous it is and how religiously devoted certain people are about their Instagram accounts.

Put away your phones. It is becoming a problem when the phone is in the way of people enjoying their lives. Don’t let the phone get in the way of enjoying the moment and being present. It becomes a problem when you want to capture an extraordinary moment with your phones. It’s a natural instinct to want to treasure something from every moment of our lives. It prevents us from appreciating the people currently surrounding us. It distances friends who are mere inches away from each other. It silences meaningful dialogues and exchanges. It prevents us from fully living in the present. It also becomes a problem when you want to capture a beautiful moment with your phones. It’s a natural instinct to want to treasure something special or rare. However, it becomes a problem when we take pictures, record videos and send Snapchat photos of every moment of our lives.

It prevents us from living in the present. It also becomes an annoyance for others. It hinders speedy service when waiters and waitresses are forced to rehearse food when it becomes too cold because people are too busy choosing the best filters. It becomes a hazard when people attempt to take selfies on a roller-coaster, forcing the ride operators to stop the ride. It has become an issue at concerts when people cannot enjoy the performance due to the sea of smartphones recording the entire concert in front of them.

Sometimes, when I am on the sidelines of the football field, I take a moment to enjoy the game that I otherwise cannot watch on my camera. If I really want to remember all these experiences and moments in our lives, we should put away our phones. Our eyes are the best cameras, our ears are the best microphones and our mouths tell the best stories. Pictures can enhance our retelling of the events, but they should not be the only medium. I implore you to put down your smartphone camera and appreciate the moment. A picture may be worth a thousand words, but when you have a thousand pictures, people aren’t going to take the time to read your novel.

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‘Let’s do it for the kids’

Brennan Lanier
Guest Columnist

This summer, immigration came to the forefront of the national psyche as we experienced an unprecedented surge of Central American children arriving at our border. The flow of children fleeing has slowed significantly since the summer, but the issue underlining the mass migration of 66,000 unaccompanied minors in the past year from the countries of El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala remains.

The fact of the matter is that these nations—often called “the Northern Triangle”—are incredibly dangerous, especially for young, impoverished boys and girls in the slums of cities like San Salvador, San Pedro Sula and Guatemala City. Honduras has a world-leading homicide rate of 90 for every 100,000 people, with El Salvador and Guatemala in the top ten at 41.2 and 39.9 per 100,000 people. For some context, at the peak of Mexico’s drug violence, its homicide rate topped out at 22.8 per 100,000. Furthermore, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) found in a March survey of children who arrived at the U.S. border that 58 percent of children from the three countries cited violence as a key reason for leaving their homes. In fact, 72% of the children fleeing from El Salvador stated this.

My personal International Summer Service Learning Project (ISSLP) experience in El Salvador this summer affirms the horrific numbers I list above. The area I was in was relatively safe; Notre Dame would not put its students in harm’s way. However, the country as a whole is essential—a war zone. Every day, the news was filled with stories of a bus shooting, a brutal mass rape or bodies in the streets. One man described how even the most ordinary moments could become deadly when, while at the market, he witnessed a child gang member shoot another kid dead in the street.

Children in the gang-infested Northern Triangle are experiencing trauma unimaginable to most U.S. citizens. So what can we do about it?

The big step will be comprehensive immigration reform, but since that appears to be shelved until after the midterm elections, we can grant asylum to those who need it most. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) found in the aforementioned March survey that “nearly 60 percent of the unaccompanied children from El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras have potential claims for international protection.” With this knowledge, we need to be providing these kids fair trials when they arrive and a legitimate possibility for asylum. Yesterday, President Obama introduced a plan which will provide 4,000 refugee places for people from Latin America and the Caribbean this year. Children from the Northern Triangle will be screened before departing their countries and allowed refuge if they already have a parent legally in the States.

This is a somewhat decent start, but as the world’s superpower, we can and must do more. Jacqueline Bhaba, professor of the practice of health and human rights at the Harvard School of Public Health, writes, “Syrian refugees make up [close to] one-third of Lebanon’s population. In Jordan, more than 600,000 Syrian refugees are already registered. Turkey has completely opened its border and more than a million Syrians have arrived. These are countries that have already generously hosted other massive recent refugee flows from the region. The analogy between Syria and Central America is a valid one. Living conditions for poor children in cartel- and gang-infested neighborhoods across Central America have become as dangerous as those for children trapped in Baghdad, Homs or Aleppo. The United States remains the world’s superpower, with many times more capacity to take in refugees than countries like Turkey or Lebanon. We have the capability to provide for thousands of Central American children in extreme need while their home countries cannot do so; let’s do it for the kids.

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also diagnosed with some kind of anxiety disorder. An anxiety disorder is the most common mental illness in the United States. Unfortunately, people rarely seek treatment. Anxiety disorders are one of the easiest ways to help those suffering from any number of mental health issues. Exams, papers and deadlines can put an entirely different level of stress on college students.

Every bad grade can feel like wasted time, tuition and effort that pushes you much further from your dreams. College can also bring plenty of joy. With all the fear and stress that comes with the independence, there is also a happiness that comes with freedom. Being responsible for oneself can be exciting, invigorating and refreshing for many.

That joy comes easier to some than others. Some will find themselves overwhelmed with anxiety and they will struggle with depression. However, it often feels easier to ignore than to talk about. For many young adults, dealing with anxiety and depression can become a serious issue as they transition into college life. Some learn how to deal with it quickly and on their own, some struggle for years and need help to deal with it and some will deal with even more serious mental health issues.

According to the Anxiety and Depression Association of America, anxiety disorders are the most common mental illness in the United States. About 18 percent of adult Americans deal with anxiety disorders. Unfortunately, they are one of the most easily treated mental illnesses. Unfortunately, people rarely seek treatment.

Depression and anxiety often go hand-in-hand. Nearly half of those diagnosed with depression are also diagnosed with some kind of anxiety disorder as well. These conditions are difficult to deal with on their own, but together they often triple the quality of life for students and non-students alike. An estimate from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported one tenth of adults suffer from depression. Depression affects one’s mental and physical health; it ruins the ability to study for exams, prevents students from enjoying their time in college and it is much more serious than simply “feeling down.” Mental disorders go untreated and ignored for many different reasons, including a lack of available resources, finances and support. But a sad fact is many people choose not to address the issues they struggle with because they are afraid.

Those who deal with mental illness often fear what people will think of them for it. They fear being judged as crazy, weak or dangerous. It seems easier to deny to one’s self that there is an issue. The issue will then likely persist with no treatment, and occasionally become even worse than ever necessary. Dealing with anxiety, depression and mental illness is hard enough without treatment. With treatment, though, many issues can be resolved, and simply being able to talk about one’s issues can help.

Awareness and emotional support are some of the easiest ways to help those suffering from any number of mental health issues. The White House and the Department of Health Awareness Houston is just one group that is trying to give that support and awareness. Perhaps a walk does not seem like much in the way of help. Perhaps fundraising is not even the most important aspect of the organization. The walk does much more than just exercise and fundraising. It shows those who are afraid to seek help that there are people out there who understand what they are going through. It shows that there are people out there that are sympathetic to the crushing struggles that depression and anxiety bring. Communication, sympathy and awareness let people know that it is OK to admit their issues. It gives encouragement to seek help rather than bury the symptoms and suffering. There may be people who react negatively, but there are also many, many people who care about you as well.

If you or someone you know suffers from anxiety, depression or some other mental illness that it interfering with their day-to-day life, don’t let it go untreated and ignored. Talk to someone, whether it is a loved one or someone anonymous. Share your feelings and fears, and make it a point to seek out help as well.

Anxiety and depression can ruin the joys of college for many people. It can affect grades, health and relationships. It can have deep consequences, but there is help and there are people who care. If you are suffering from depression, reach out to a friend, a hotline or even the University’s Depression Research Clinic. It’s often hard to reach out in depression, but there is hope and there is help.

Christopher Newton
Stepping Out of the Cave

A Sunday after a home-game win: as always, a time for procrastination and limited productivity. The Irish won this weekend and advanced to the top five, so why worry about applications, theses and editorial columns? There’s a Bar Rescue marathon on Spike that needs your undivided attention for what some might call an excessive number of hours.

And there’s that Viewpoint column on international security affairs due at 5 p.m.

Work done at the last second tends to not be your best (unless you happen to be Ben Koyak in the back of an endzone). I enjoy writing Viewpoints and hate to have the byline on a sub-par piece, yet the clock ticked away.

It is here that I arrived at a series of conclusions regarding the Obama administration’s inept foreign policy, as exemplified by recent events in the Middle East. The region is a particularly useful case for examining the reactive, short-sighted and timid foreign policy of the Obama administration, just as it previously was for examining the reactive, short-sighted and arrogant foreign policy of the Bush administration.

The Obama Doctrine was summarized by the President himself several months ago. Even the orator, President Obama, described his overriding foreign policy goal as “Don’t do stupid things,” and indicated that he did not believe such a goal was too difficult to achieve. That direct quote supplements more public statements he has made, which describe his foreign policy as utilizing a methodical, incremental and patient approach in addressing complex issues. President Obama seeks to focus on less ambitious goals over a longer-time period, achieving small to moderate successes. While this leads to the avoidance of attempts at nation-building, it also leads to presidential procrastination.

In attempt to avoid making egregious foreign policy mistakes, the Obama administration has fiddled while the Middle East burns. Allof multilateralism is little better than audacious unilateralism. That is, President Obama has ignored or devoted insufficient time and resources to a myriad of regional issues that are slowly consuming it from within.

In Syria, the President previously limited American involvement in a conflict in which numerous American allies, frenemies and adversar- ies have been highly active. From NATO member Turkey to the proxy war between American fren- emy Saudi Arabia and rival Iran, the Syrian civil war has engaged every country in the Middle East in some way. It seems that every actor except the United States acknowledges that civil wars do not respect national boundaries and spillover is not only common, but highly likely. The rise of the Islamic State, the instability in Lebanon and Jordan, the existential threat posed to Iraq and the gains in Iran and al-Qaeda influence are only a few of the threats to American interests posed by the Syrian civil war. Yet years of inaction have resulted in a strategically confused and insuf- ficient response that will not, by itself, destroy the Islamic State. Despite all that is at stake, the President avoided action in Syria, moving only when all of America was threatened.

Yet Syria is not the only issue receiving a de- layed response. Ever since bombs ceased falling on the Gaza Strip, it seems that the President has simply forgotten the issue of Israel and Palestine. As the Palestinian Authority heads to the United Nations seeking the withdrawal of the Israeli military from the Occupied Territories, the American public is reminded once more that another American president has failed to address a bloody issue: the partition of Israel and Palestine. I say partition and not peace process because Israel cannot democratically absorb the territo- ries. Partition is necessary for regional security, yet requires more than the Obama administration has been capable of delivering. Invariably, the issue will fall to the next president, likely resulting in yet further presidential procrastination.

Less often considered than either of these previous cases is the story of Yemen. Rather than “Winter is Coming,” I prefer “Yemen is collapsing.” Similar to “Game of Thrones,” people have been saying it for years, few have actually begun to prepare for it and their attention is fixed on larger conflicts. Yemen is falling apart before our very eyes, with its capital having recently fallen to Iran-backed rebels. It is predicted to run out of fresh water in a decade and the most active al-Qa- eda affiliate, al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula, already owns sizeable areas of southern Yemen. The world’s newest failed state, complete with its own al-Qaeda franchise, is on the horizon. Much like the introduction to my capstone essay, Obama’s Yemen policy is non-existent.

At least when I procrastinate, nations do not burn. It makes me feel slightly better about spend- ing too much time with Jon Taffer. One has to wonder how Obama was with his own college homework.

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Christopher Newton
Stepping Out of the Cave

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The Daily Cougar

Exams, papers and deadlines can put an entirely different level of stress on college students. Every bad grade can feel like wasted time, tuition and effort that pushes you much further from your dreams. College can also bring plenty of joy. With all the fear and stress that comes with the independence, there is also a happiness that comes with freedom. Being responsible for oneself can be exciting, invigorating and refreshing for many.

That joy comes easier to some than others. Some will find themselves overwhelmed with anxiety and they will struggle with depression. However, it often feels easier to ignore than to talk about.

For many young adults, dealing with anxiety and depression can become a serious issue as they transition into college life. Some learn how to deal with it quickly and on their own, some struggle for years and need help to deal with it and some will deal with even more serious mental health issues.

According to the Anxiety and Depression Association of America, anxiety disorders are the most common mental illness in the United States. About 18 percent of adult Americans deal with anxiety disorders. Unfortunately, they are one of the most easily treated mental illnesses. Unfortunately, people rarely seek treatment.

Depression and anxiety often go hand-in-hand. Nearly half of those diagnosed with depression are also diagnosed with some kind of anxiety disorder...
Not only was “The Parent Trap” recently added to Netflix, making it a pick for “Weekly Watch,” this week-end made it an especially appropriate time to watch the Disney film: it aired on television this weekend, making it even more accessible for a “Weekly Watch,” while across the pond in London, Lindsay Lohan starred in the opening of West End play “Speed-the-Plow.”

This means that as Lohan made her theatrical debut in England, her big-screen debut was just a click of a button away stateside, and while critics are abuzz about the film, her big-screen debut was just a click of a button away. People were so excited about the film, they even made it an especially appropriate time to watch the film again. In my first installment of this “Weekly Watch,” I claimed that “The Parent Trap” was criminally under-appreciated and that the film’s dynamic chemistry was one of the film’s strongest assets. The film is the story of twin sisters Hallie and Annie, who switch places to get their parents back together. The film is a classic for its combination of humor, pathos, and nostalgia.

“The Parent Trap” actually moves impressively through time and space in four very distinct acts. Each act has its own personality, and each lies down the foundation for the next. Making a wildly fast-paced and absurd story seemingly seamless.

“If “The Parent Trap” were to title these acts, the first would be “The Meeting: Twins at Camp.” The camp portion of the movie, where the separated-at-birth twins coincidentally both attend, functions as the meeting point for the girls, but it also is by far the most fun of the four acts. With parents away, the kids get to play, and Lindsay Lohan shines as both of her characters, Hallie and Annie, are established. The twins are shown as distinct, but share a competitive streak, allowing for fantastic camp antics. From the poker match to prank war, the camp portion could be a movie all by itself. Instead, the film moves to Act II, “The Swap: Twins at Home,” in which we get a look at each of the twins’ home lives. As the two secretly switch places, the film takes a turn from young and fun to family-oriented and a little sentimental. The scenes in which the twins get to know the parents they never met before are beautiful, with the film’s score and soundtrack and plenty of montages working their magic to create an image of a perfect — albeit still fragmented — family. Of course, the villain is introduced and conflict established here as the twins’ father announces his plan to marry a very young, very wealthy woman.

Act III then brings tension to a head, and the twins reveal that they’ve switched places in an effort to get their parents to reunite. Here comes into play my argument that the film’s emotional development and the true heart of the story is the relationship between father and daughter. The film is a classic for its emotional development and the true heart of the story is the relationship between father and daughter. The film is a classic for its emotional development and the true heart of the story is the relationship between father and daughter. The film is a classic for its emotional development and the true heart of the story is the relationship between father and daughter. The film is a classic for its emotional development and the true heart of the story is the relationship between father and daughter. The film is a classic for its emotional development and the true heart of the story is the relationship between father and daughter. The film is a classic for its emotional development and the true heart of the story is the relationship between father and daughter.

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**Quartbacks**

Kain or not, Everett Golson played poorly Saturday. The signal-caller threw a rough interception at the goal line and coughed up a fumble deep in Notre Dame’s own territory. Seven days after completing 25 consecutive passes against Syracuse, Golson finished 20-of-40 through the air.

**RUNNING BACKS**

Notre Dame’s running backs didn’t do much on the ground — a combined 24 carries for 59 yards — or through the air (just one Tarean Folston catch for six yards), but they held up in pass protection and didn’t put the ball on the turf during a slippery, sloppy game. Greg Bryant danced a bit too frequently in his limited action.

**Receivers**

Corey Robinson, Will Fuller and Amir Carlisle were shut out completely in the first half, and only Robinson really picked things up in the second half. Still, there were a few too many drops from this group despite the weather.

**Defensive Line**

The defensive line continues to adapt to the new positions in the starting unit. Though it allowed two sacks and even more pressure on Golson, the unit still held up fairly well against Stanford’s top-ranked defense in the nation. Expect this group to improve with more snaps together.

**Defensive Line**

Irish head coach Brian Kelly raised praise down on the front seven following the victory; thanks in large part to the play of the defensive line and the work against the run. Stanford only tallied 47 rushing yards on 52 carries.

**Linebackers**

Sophomore linebacker Jaylon Smith had the career game with 14 tackles, but Joe Schmidt was around the ball plenty, too, notably chasing down Ty Montgomery for one of his seven tackles. James Onwualu and Ben Councell contributed as well.

**Defensive Backs**

Sophomore cornerback Cole Luke was the headline with his two interceptions. Fellow sophomore cornerback Devin Butler made significant contributions on the perimeter, while Cody Biggs was his usual steady self.

**Special Teams**

The kicking game has certainly seen better days, but credit holder Hunter Smith for bouncing back and cleanly setting up Kyle Brindza’s fourth-quarter kick. Brindza also played an important role in keeping the ball away from Montgomery in the return game. Notre Dame barely found any return room itself.

**Coaching**

Irish defensive coordinator Brian VanGorder continues to impress, as he drew the praise of Stanford head coach David Shaw following the Notre Dame victory. Offensively, Kelly stayed committed to the run and positioned Notre Dame to do it in the first half before recovering in the fourth quarter before the eventual game-winning toss from Golson to senior tight end Ben Koyack.

**OVERALL GPA:** 2.78 (B-)

It wasn’t perfect, but it was a win. Notre Dame showed up — especially on the defensive side — against a top-15 team in the country. The defense was outstanding throughout the day, and the offense did move the ball against the nation’s top-ranked defense. The two turnovers proved costly, but Golson won the game in the end.

**PLAY OF THE GAME**

Ben Koyack 23-yard Touchdown Catch to Take the Lead

As if there was any question here. On fourth-and-11, Golson connected with a wide-open Ben Koyack in the corner of the end zone for the game-winning score. Koyack did a terrific job of staying focused, making the catch, keeping his feet in and clutching the catch to the ground.

**Victory**

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— took the initial lead, 7-0, with 3:50 to play in the first quarter when senior quarterback Kevin Hogan ran 10 yards for a touchdown. The Cardinal was granted favorable field position on the drive after an exchange of turnovers — Irish sophomore linebacker Cole Luke intercepted Hogan on the nine-yard line, but Golson gave the ball right back when he fumbled on the first play.

Early in the second quarter, the Irish had a third-and-five at the Cardinal six-yard line when Stanford senior safety Jordan Richards intercepted Golson — who had rolled out to the left — along the sideline, just shy of the goal line. On its next possession, Notre Dame left deep points on the board when senior kicker Kyle Brindza missed a 41-yard field goal attempt wide right after a botched hold.

But after the Cardinal had a botched snap of its own on a field-goal try, the Irish finally got on the board.

On third-and-10 from midfield, Golson rushed 33 yards upfield on a designed quarterback draw to put the Irish in a position to tie the game in the final minutes of the first half.

Two plays later — on second-and-10 — Golson hit junior receiver Chris Brown over the middle for a 15-yard touchdown pass. Brown caught the ball just a few yards past the line of scrimmage but turned upfield to scamper in for the score with 3:06 to play in the half.

Coming out of the intermission, Irish freshman safety Drue Tranquill registered Notre Dame’s first blocked punt since 2010 when he got a hand on Cardinal fifth-year senior punter Ben Bhneye’s kick.

“I thought we did pretty good things in special teams,” Kelly said. “It gave us a chance to win today. The Irish, however, could not capitalize, and three consecutive three-and-outs followed. Notre Dame earned its best starting field position of the game when Luke nabbed his second interception at the Stanford 29-yard line on the first play of the fourth quarter. “The opportunity for interceptions was” something that I knew was coming during practice when I was watching film,” Luke said. “But it really is just all about execution and somebody making plays so tonight, I stepped up.”

Despite the field position, the Irish left the red zone without points yet again when Brindza missed his second field goal attempt after another shaky hold by junior Hunter Smith. The Irish defense, however, responded with another three-and-out — the Cardinal failed to record a first down or turned the ball over on 10 of their 15 drives — to give the offense another chance to take the lead.

“We prepared so great this week,” sophomore linebacker Jaylon Smith said. “We all knew going into the week, Stanford week, it was going to be physical. They are going to try to hit you in the mouth and we just had to match that intensity — and penetration was key.”

Golson then hit Robinson for a pair of double-digit gains, and a Stanford facemask penalty put the Irish in position for Brindza and Smith’s redemption. The smooth 45-yard field goal did just that, and the Irish jumped ahead 10-7 with 7:32 to play in the fourth quarter.

Smith attempted to hold the first two field-goal tries bare-handed before wearing gloves for the third.

“We found a revolutionary idea that will probably be now the biggest thing in college football,” Kelly said. “We’re going to put gloves on the holder and that seemed to be the way to accomplish greatness in this game. Unbelievable. I’ve been in this thing for 25 years and we’re coming up with new things every day.”

The Irish did not hold the lead for long, though, as Hogan led Stanford on its only substantial touchdown drive of the day, going 58 yards to take the lead, 14-10, with 3:01 to play.

Then it was Golson’s time. The Irish quarterback finished the game with 241 passing yards — none more important than his final 54 on the game-winning drive.

Hogan and the Cardinal had one last chance though. After a fumble, he led them into Irish territory with 11 seconds to play. But Irish defensive coordinator Brian VanGorder brought the pressure, and the Hogan’s intentional grounding capped the Irish victory.

“I think they’ve got an outstanding defensive coordina- tor,” Shaw said. “He mixes it up. A lot of pressure. We picked up, not as many as we’d like. Our quarterback got a bit of a load today.”

The Notre Dame defense held Stanford senior receiver Ty Montgomery to 12 yards on four receptions, well under his average of nearly 70 yards per game over the last season-and-a-half.

“We knew he was a great player,” Luke said. “But when the lights come on and you are on the field, it does not really matter. You just have to make plays and play ball.”

The Irish are set to host North Carolina next week before a clash with No. 1 Florida State.

Notre Dame is 5-0 for just the third time in the last 20 seasons.

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Irish senior defensive back Matthias Farley tries to wrestle the ball away from a Stanford player during Notre Dame’s 17-14 victory over the Cardinal on Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium.
Defense

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Smith and senior linebacker Joe Schmidt anchored the middle for the Irish and led the team in tackles with 14 and seven, respectively.

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The Irish were ready for Stanford’s challenging offense, Schmidt said.

“This is what you dream of as a linebacker, as a defense,” Schmidt said. “They run some fun plays: power, counter, tosses, fun stuff. This is so much fun. I stayed on the field. It was a pretty surreal feeling.”

The Irish defense was a concern in the offseason as Notre Dame lost several key starters. Former Irish linebacker Manti Te’o (against Michigan in 2012) was the last Notre Dame player to grab two interceptions.

Not just because it improved Notre Dame to 5-0. Not just because it’ll vault the Irish up the polls. No, Golson proved Notre Dame can win such close games against elite defenses because of its offense, not in spite of its offense.

In only three minutes, Golson and Notre Dame showed why 2014 can be their championship season. Golson grooved a crisp 23-yard strike through the wintry air to a waiting — and waiting — Koyack. As they did in 2012, the officials reviewed a play in the North end zone. And, again, Notre Dame won.

But this time it was different. There’s a different faith in Golson. There’s a different confidence in Notre Dame’s offense.

“It feels pretty different, just because the way it happened,” Golson said. “This is definitely a really big moment for me.”

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Irish defense shines

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Notre Dame limited Stanford to 205 yards of total offense — the Cardinal’s lowest output since 2006. Stanford’s 47 rushing yards were its fewest since 2007.

The Irish have won their first five games while holding each of their opponents to 17 points or fewer for the second time since the 1973 national championship season.

Making history

Irish freshman safety Drue Tranquill partially blocked a Stanford punt in the third quarter. Notre Dame had not blocked a punt since former Irish defensive back Robert Blanton got his hands on a punt against Utah in 2010.

Irish sophomore corner- back Cole Luke notched his first two career interceptions when he picked off Stanford quarterback Kevin Hogan in the first and third quarter, respectively. Former Irish linebacker Manti Te’o (against Michigan in 2012) was the last Notre Dame player to grab two interceptions.

Golson racks up scores

Irish senior quarterback Everett Golson’s two touchdown tosses give him 13 for the season. In 2012, Golson tallied 12 touchdown throws throughout the entire season.

Brindza ties Carney

With his fourth-quarter field goal, Irish senior kicker Kyle Brindza tied former Irish kicker John Carney (1984-86) for the school record with 51 career made field goals.

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Drive: Two plays, 12 yards, 0:44 elapsed

Stanford 7, Notre Dame 7
Chris Brown 17-yard pass from Golson (Brindza kick)
3:06 remaining
Drive: Six plays, 62 yards, 1:20 elapsed

Notre Dame 10, Stanford 7
Kyle Brindza 45-yard field goal
7:32 remaining
Drive: Nine plays, 59 yards, 3:39 elapsed

Stanford 14, Notre Dame 10
Remound Wright 11-yard run (Williamson kick)
3:01 remaining
Drive: Nine plays, 59 yards, 4:31 elapsed

Notre Dame 17, Stanford 14
Irene Koyack 23-yard pass from Golson (Brindza kick)
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Irish sophomore receiver Corey Robinson tumbles to the turf after snaring one of his four second-half receptions during Notre Dame’s 17-14 win over Stanford on Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium. The Irish improved to 5-0 with the victory over the Cardinal.

Irish graduate student safety Austin Collinsworth (left) made his season debut Saturday after missing the first four games with an MCL injury.

Irish freshman defensive end Andrew Trumbetti levels Stanford quarterback Kevin Hogan and tallies his first career sack during Notre Dame’s win over the Cardinal on Saturday.

Everett Golson drilled a 23-yard touchdown strike to Ben Koyack on fourth-and-11 with 1:01 to play in the fourth quarter, and Notre Dame came from behind to topple No. 14 Stanford, 17-14, on Saturday at a rainy Notre Dame Stadium. Sloppy play from both sides translated to a 7-7 score heading into the fourth quarter when Golson brought the Irish back, supporting a stout Notre Dame defense.
Matt McMahon
Scene Writer

A game’s soundtrack is never the deciding factor in what makes it good, or even memorable. Still, there’s a pervasive-ness to some video game soundtracks that elevates the gameplay — or at least seems to from the standpoint of nostalgia — enough so to warrant compiling and celebrat-ing a handful of my favorites. I invite you all to join in on the discussion online and share some that I’ve missed or deserve recognition.

ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACKS

Banjo-Kazooie

The expansive platforming featured in Banjo-Kazooie required time and brought about frustration. The bouncy, mood-setting score significantly helped soothe these frustra-tions. Based on the each level’s theme, the accompany-ing piece would perfectly capture the tone in a childlike manner. based on the each levels’ theme, the accompaniment is specifically for the game. in a similar fashion, the game’s soundtrack mixes Disney staples — often adapting them with original music that organically mesh in a completely seamless way. the soundtrack mixes disney staples — often adapting them with original music that organically mesh in a completely seamless way. soundtracks like Super Mario 64’s main hub “Inside the Castle Walls” per-fectly encapsulate the complexities of the game’s entire atmosphere. Listening to the track years later — which I find myself doing time to time — machines those tiny echoing footsteps from our beloved hero rushing, jumping through the castle’s corridors.

Kingdom Hearts

Kingdom Heart’s unique universe combines the worlds of Disney, Final Fantasy and original characters created specifically for the game. in a similar fashion, the game’s soundtrack mixes Disney staples — often adapting them with original music that organically mesh in a completely cohesive soundrack.

The Legend of Zelda: Ocarina of Time

You can take your pick among the Legend of Zelda se-ries and find a superb soundtrack in any of them. Still, the masterpiece of the franchise lies within Ocarina of Time, understandably so considering the central function of music in the game. the popularity of “Saria’s Theme” and “Song of Storms” alone are testaments to the soundtrack’s achievement.

By KELLY MCGARRY

Whether you’re a fan of stand-up, or more of an improv type of person, there was something for you at Legends last Thursday. the club was taken over by two of the fun-niest groups on campus, with performances by both the Student Standups and Humor Artists. the Standups featured the acts of six students whose comedic styles varied to make up a show that was interest-ing, to say the least. the host was club president Pat McNamara, whose rapid-fire jokes reminded me of Demetri Martin’s performance on campus in August. judging by the sea of bleached hair in the crowd it was easy to guess that a Carroll freshman would be perform-ing, but when Marek Misurek took the stage he warned us about the danger of assuming someone is from Carroll by their hair. This hilarious freshman set the bar high for the rest of the performers.

An outrageous group of comics reached a level of raunchiness that no one could have guessed Notre Dame students to be capable of. the show’s closer was crowd fa-vorite, junior Dayton Flannery. Those who had seen him perform before knew enough to cheer at his introduction. this Veteran comic’s story-telling style kept the audience on the edge of our seats. it was a strong finish to the show that left the audience satisfied. after the Standups, Notre Dame’s improv and sketch comedy group the Humor Artists took the stage with a Miley montagie, sporting her array of styles that is quickly becoming classic joke material. Their ridiculous dance moves brought up the energy to prepare the audience for the show and set the tone for the improv games for Team Hannah vs. Team Miley.

HA (an abbreviation I’d like to emphasize) showed off their improvisation skills by taking prompts from the audience, braving controversial topics (read: Ebola) and creating refreshing mix of less common improv games and classic favorites. the comedy varied between ri-diculous moments of roaring laughter and subtle, clever one-liners. you may be under the impression that improv comedy takes less preparation than a pre-written stand-up show, but these comics have clearly put their time in. it takes countless hours of practice and mental preparation to be able to come up with jokes on the spot. the comics have built up an impressive level of creativity and quick thinking.

If you missed the show on Thursday, there will be plenty of opportunities to see these groups on campus, and if this show was any indication, you should be sure to check them out.

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Bulls, Rose aim to get back on top

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Football has been dominating the sports world for the last couple of months, but with the NBA starting its pre-season games, it won’t be long before LeBron James takes over ESPN’s highlight reel.

The upcoming season is loaded with great storylines, starting with James’ return to the Cleveland Cavaliers. Derek Fisher has the pressure of coaching the New York Knicks, which is now run by Phil Jackson. Will the Brooklyn Nets be able to get their way back into the playoffs without Paul Pierce and former head coach Jason Kidd? Will the Miami Heat remain relevant without LeBron? How will Kobe Bryant fare on a rebuilding Los Angeles Lakers team? Are the Oklahoma City Thunder ever going to get their monkey off their back and win a championship?

And most importantly, will Derrick Rose return to MVP-form to help a Chicago Bulls team that still has a chance of finally winning its first NBA title since the Jordan era?

Unfortunately, I only have time to answer one of those questions, but here it goes. I predict Derrick Rose will come back to full strength this season and will lead the Bulls to the Eastern Conference championship.

I know very well how much of an impact Rose has for the Bulls and will push back into the NBA title conversation. As an avid Bulls fan, I have gone through the disappointing seasons and mediocre records year after year, but ever since the arrival of the home-town hero Derrick Rose, Chicago has never felt closer to hoisting another championship.

The former Rookie of the Year and MVP has been the heart and soul of the Bulls, leading Chicago to two division titles and a No. 1 seed in the playoffs.

That success was abruptly cut short when Rose tore his ACL in 2012 and then his meniscus the following season. In his absence, the Bulls have proven that they can still make the playoffs, but without their star player, they have failed to make any deep runs.

This season will be different. Rose is back, and although he didn’t play so well in the FIBA World Championships, I am confident he’ll be able to take advantage of his strong supporting cast and play better than ever. The Bulls made a big splash this off-season, starting with the acquisition of Joakim Noah from Doug McDermott. In the summer league, McDermott displayed his ability to play well in the two-guard spot from the three-point line, which was an issue for the Bulls who ended last season as the sixth worst team in the NBA from long range. Chicago was also able to beef up their front court, signing Pau Gasol and Nikola Mirotic. Gasol gives the Bulls a better scoring option than Carlos Boozer, scoring over 17 points per game last season. He’s also a much better rebounder and passer. Mirotic will not see much playing time but will replace Taj Gibson, but his ability to stretch the court with his shooting makes him a serious two-way threat for the team. The rest of the supporting cast includes Jimmy Butler, Tony Snell, Mike Dunleavy, Kirk Hinrich, Aaron Brooks and last year’s Defensive Player of the Year, Joakim Noah. The last time the Bulls had Rose on the court, he was in deep in talent, Rose won the MVP, head coach Tom Thibodeau won Coach of the Year and the team won a league-high 62 games.

There’s no doubt in my mind that Rose will flourish this season, as well as the help he has available. Last season, the pressure was all on Noah to make the offense run, but now the Bulls will be able to spread the ball around to the shooters that Rose has available. Thibodeau will limit Rose’s minutes so that he is not overworked and the depth at point guard will help keep the offense afloat without Rose on the court.

No other team in the league has the depth Chicago has, and because of that, they are one of the best teams in the NBA. Best case scenario, the Bulls win 60 games, earn the No. 1 seed in the East and find a way to beat the eastern Conference champs to win the NBA title. Worst case, they are plagued by the injury bug and make the playoff race for the first seed losing the division title to the Cavaliers.

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The views expressed in this Sports Authority are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

Dolphins post apathy, but optimism showing through

The NFL did not have the most exciting of games over the weekend with yet another blowout victory for the Buffalo Bills. The New England Patriots were able to put up 14 points on the New York Jets but still lost the game 41-16.

The Baltimore Ravens, on the other hand, were able to put up a good fight against the San Diego Chargers but still lost the game 29-24. The Chargers are now a 3-1 team with a division lead in the AFC West.

The New York Giants, on the other hand, were able to put up a good fight against the New Orleans Saints but still lost the game 35-28. The Giants are now a 2-2 team with a division lead in the NFC East.

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DENVER — The best part of Peyton Manning's big day was getting to share the spotlight with some of his best friends.

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Observer Staff Report

Over the weekend, Notre Dame made deep runs in both singles and doubles competition at the ITA All-American Championships in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Junior Quentin Monaghan advanced to the round of 32 in the singles main draw, going 4-1 at the tournament. Ranked No. 88 nationally, Monaghan won all three of his qualifying matches to make the main draw.

In his first match of the tournament, Monaghan defeated Dartmouth senior Chris Kipouras, 6-3, 6-2. He followed this up with another victory in straight sets, against Oklahoma sophomore Alex Ghilea, 7-6, 7-6. In the final match of the qualifying draw, he won once again in straight sets, 6-3, 6-4, against No. 89 Georgia junior Nick Wood.

Monaghan advanced to the 64-player main draw by going 3-0 in qualifiers. In his first-round matchup, Monaghan faced No. 33 USC senior Roberto Quiroz.

Quiroz and the national champion Trojan squad faced Notre Dame in 2013, routing the Irish, 7-0. Monaghan dominated the first set, 6-0, and toughed out the second, 7-5, to take the match.

The win against Quiroz set Monaghan up to play in the round of 32 against No. 12 junior Austin Smith from Georgia.

Monaghan lost the first set 6-3, came back to win the second set 6-3, but dropped the final set, 6-4, ending his tournament run. So far in the fall season, Monaghan is 5-1 in singles play, including three wins over ranked opponents.

Sophomore Josh Hagar and junior Kenneth Sabacinski also competed in singles play, coming away with a combined 2-2 record. Hagar competed in the qualifying round, while Sabacinski played in the pre-qualifying round.

Senior Billy Pecor and junior Alex Lawson combined to advance to the quarterfinals of the doubles draw. The duo, ranked No. 27 in the nation, began its run against the Texas A&M combo of freshman Al Catanzariti and sophomore Max Lukin. Pecor and Lawson came away with the win in straight sets, 6-4, 6-4.

In the round of 16, Pecor and Lawson took on the twelfth-ranked South Florida pair of junior Roberto Cid and sophomore Sasha Gozun. In a much closer quarterfinals match, Pecor and Lawson went to tiebreakers in both sets but came away with the win, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (5).

In the quarterfinals, Pecor and Lawson faced the third-ranked squad in the country, sophomores Arjun Kadhe and senior Jakob Sude of Oklahoma State. The Cowboys sprinted past the Irish, 6-1, 6-4.

Overall, the Irish came away from the ITA All-American Championships with eight wins in singles and doubles play.

Notre Dame takes a break from competition this weekend, and begins play at the Midwest Regional Championships on Oct. 16 in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Irish junior Alex Lawson launches a serve during Notre Dame’s match against Florida State on April 3 at Eck Tennis Pavilion.
Women rise, men falter at Notre Dame Invitational

Irish junior Molly Seidel races towards the finish at the National Catholic Championships on Sept. 19 at the Notre Dame Golf Course. Seidel claimed first place and led the Irish to the women’s championship.

By GREG HADLEY
Associate Sports Editor

On a soggy and windy Friday, the Irish women rolled through the mud and the water at Notre Dame Golf Course to a third-place finish at the 59th annual Notre Dame Invitational.

“Leading the way for Notre Dame, junior Molly Seidel followed up her victory at the National Catholic Championships two weeks ago with a fifth-place finish Friday, traversing the five-kilometer course in 16:19.9.

Molly’s been the leader for our group all fall,” Irish coach Matt Sparks said. “She’s gained a lot of confidence as the weeks have gone by, and Molly’s confidence has kind of been resonating with the whole team at this point. We saw that from our second round to our seventh runner. Everybody had their best performance of the year.”

Junior Danielle Aragon followed close behind Seidel, placing 11th while cutting her time from last year’s Notre Dame Invitational by two and a half minutes, from 19:02.9 to 16:29.9.

Sophomore Taylor Driscoll and senior Emily Frydrych brought up the middle section of the Irish pack, placing 33rd and 35th, respectively. Frydrych, the first of three seniors for Notre Dame, has emerged as a leader for the Irish as she has moved into the top five, Sparks said.

“The glue for the... women’s team this season has been Emily Frydrych,” he said. “She finished fourth on Friday, and she has been a great leader for our team all season. It’s nice to see your seniors come out and carry a lot of the weight. She’s done a lot of the work as far as veteran leadership and talking to the girls, but she’s also carrying the weight on the course as well.

“That middle group was a little bit of a question mark, and she helped keep [them] together.”

Facing two ranked squads as well as five other teams that received votes in the coaches poll, the Irish packed all five of their scoring runners in the top 65 of 165 athletes.

No. 12 New Mexico cruised to the team title with a combined score of 49 points, 74 ahead of runner-up North Carolina State, which was, until recently, ranked 29th in the nation. The Wolfpack were just 24 points ahead of the Irish.

After matching up so well against some of the nation’s top teams, Sparks said the team has begun to think bigger in terms of what it can accomplish this season.

“Our goal has always been to be at the national championship meet,” he said. “I think that just gives them a more solid belief that that’s where we should end the season. I also think it’s giving us some perspective on where we can finish at the national level.”

While the women exceeded Sparks’ expectations, the men struggled to compete against a field that included 10 ranked squads, including the team champions, No. 19 Michigan, and No. 10 BYU. Led by junior Timothy Ball in his first meet of the season, the Irish finished in 14th place out of 24 teams.

“It was a tough day,” Sparks said. “We brought back Tim Ball, who missed the first few meets ... and he came out and made up for it. We basically have three veteran runners, but you need a seven-man team to be successful. The younger freshmen and sophomores just haven’t been in a race of that magnitude since coming to college.

“We need those guys to really step up and learn quickly. We talked about what we wanted to do, and they understood what they needed to do, but putting it into practice was harder to do. It was a good learning experience for them.”

Sophomore Jacob Dumford and Chris Marco, who combined for four top-10 finishes in the first two meets of the year, finished in 115th and 198th place, respectively, after starting out slowly and getting caught in the mud behind stronger runners, Sparks said.

Although the result was disheartening for the team, Sparks also said Notre Dame will have a chance to redeem itself and challenge more top competition at the Wisconsin adidas Invitational in two weeks.

“We’ll see a lot more talented teams, more nationally-ranked programs, at Wisconsin,” Sparks said. “That will give us a real telling sign of where we can be regionally, nationally and even at the conference level.”

The Irish women look to continue their recent run of success and the men will try to rebound at the Wisconsin adidas Invitational in Madison, Wisconsin, on Oct. 17.

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Women’s Golf
NOTRE DAME WOMEN’S GOLF

Campbell leads ND to record day

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With two rounds of play under their belts and one still left to play, the Irish currently sit in seventh place in the Schooner Fall Classic at seven-over-par, due in part to a record-breaking team performance Sunday.

Notre Dame teed off its first round Saturday morning, and after 18 holes the team held a share of seventh place with a 10-over-par 290.

Senior Kelli Oride set the pace on day one with a one-under-par 69, tallying four birdies and tying for fifth place to end the day.

Freshman Kari Bellville followed closely behind, notching a one-over-par 71 in her second collegiate tournament to tie for 22nd.

“It’s sort of having different people step up every day and having a good team effort all around,” Irish coach Susan Holt said.

The Irish continued this trend Sunday, led by junior Talia Campbell, when they posted the lowest single-round team score in the program’s 27-year existence with a three-under-par 277.

Individually, Campbell shot a four-under-par 66 for the day, claiming a share of lowest single-round individual score in Notre Dame history and beating her first-round score by eight strokes.

“The team has been consistent and we need to go in with the mindset to make birdies because we know that’s what the other programs will be doing,” Holt said.

“If we’re consistent and give ourselves lots of opportunities to make birdies,” Oride, who played well again and was on pace to match her score from Saturday, bogeyed her last two holes and finished the day with a 71. Campbell and Oride are currently tied for 11th place at even par out of 99 golfers.

Senior captain Ashley Armstrong bounced back from a 78 over her first 18 holes and posted a one-under-par 69 on Sunday, while Bellville showed off her consistency with another 71 on Sunday.

Even with the historic scores, Holt said she and the team both know they could have performed even better and can cut down on mistakes, which gives her optimism heading into the final day.

“When you play really well and know you could have played even better, that’s a good place to be,” she said.

With the combined performances, the Irish held onto their seventh-place spot, just one stroke behind California and SMU and four strokes ahead of eighth-place LSU.

Mississippi State sits atop the leaderboard and holds a sizable 11-stroke lead over second-place Kent State – however, just a six-stroke range separates second through seventh place in the standings.

“We’ll be in a good place to make up some ground tomorrow,” Holt said. “It should be good conditions, and we just need to go in with the mindset to make birdies because we know that’s what the other programs will be doing.”

The Irish will play the final round of the Schooner Fall Classic on Monday, starting at 9:30 a.m.

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ND WOMEN’S GOLF / SCHOONER FALL CLASSIC

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Irish junior Molly Seidel races towards the finish at the National Catholic Championships on Sept. 19 at the Notre Dame Golf Course. Seidel claimed first place and led the Irish to the women’s championship.
Notre Dame claims first conference victory

By HENRY HILLIARD
Sports Writer

It was a weekend of mixed results for the Irish in two home matches against ACC opponents at Purcell Pavilion.

Notre Dame (4-11, 1-3 ACC) bested Syracuse, 3-1, on Friday for its first conference win of the 2014 campaign but lost to No. 25 Duke, 3-1, on Sunday.

Offensive productivity led the Irish to a victory Friday. Notre Dame hit .309 and recorded 19 blocks and 63 digs.

Playing in front of more than 1,500 fans at Purcell Pavilion, Notre Dame won three of four games, 25-11, 24-26, 25-21, 25-18.

“We always love playing at home,” Irish coach Debbie Brown said. “Coming off of three weeks of playing on the road, it is great to be back in your own routine and having the energy of your fans.”

Freshman outside hitter Sydney Kuhn, senior middle blocker Jeni Houser and sophomore middle blocker Katie Higgins led the Irish to victory against the Orange (7-9, 0-4). Each of the three players recorded more than 10 kills. Freshman middle blocker Sam Fry added eight kills and led the team with six blocks. As a team, the Irish bested Syracuse with 19 more kills, 14 more assists and 16 more digs.

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Graduate student outside hitter Nicole Smith was the leader for the Irish with 11 kills. Houser and Higgins turned in eight and nine kills, respectively.

In the final set of the match, Notre Dame hung tight with the defending conference champions. The Irish cut Duke’s advantage to 23-21, forcing the Blue Devils to use a time out, but lost, 25-23.

Notre Dame is back on the road this weekend as it continues ACC play. The team faces Pittsburgh at 7 p.m. Friday and Louisville at 2 p.m. Sunday.

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Hockey

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and senior defenseman Robbie Russo.

The visitors from Canada (2-0 CIS) got one back at the 11:56 mark of the period, however, when fourth-year forward Justin Larson finished a two-on-one

shots in 30 minutes of work. Hinostroza found the back of the net again with 4:19 to play in the second period when he converted a tight angle off of a rebound. Freshman defensemen Jordan Gross put a shot on goal from the blue line was turned aside by Morrison, but the puck fell right to Hinostroza, who put it away to restore Notre Dame’s two-goal lead. Russo also picked up his second assist of the night in his return to the Irish after missing the second half of last season due to academic ineligibility.

“We thought Jordan Gross (whose shot provided the rebound opportunity for Hinostroza) did a nice job for his first game,” Irish coach Jeff Jackson said. “I liked his game at the point.”

After a change in goals for both teams just before the midway point of the second period — third-year Chris Hurry entered for Waterloo while freshman Cal Petersen replaced Katunar for the Irish — the visitors gained a foothold in the game and used it to score four unanswered goals to take a 5-3 lead.

Larson got his second score of the game with 1:39 to play in the second period when he fired home a rebound after a sequence of Petersen saves, assisted again by Chappell and Mackie. The Warriors knotted the game up 5-5 with 1:22 left in the second period when first-year forward Mitch Elsit put one past the Irish freshman goalie. Assists were credited to fourth-year defensemen Joe Underwood and first-year forward Phillip Fife.

Both goals came during the final five minutes of the period, when Notre Dame took two penalties — and they scored on both of them. That changed the whole game going into the third period.

The Warriors — and Larson — picked up where they left off as the third period got underway when the forward completed his hat trick just 2:05 into the final period. First-year defensemen Adam Bignell and fourth-year defensemen Jeff Einhorn had assists on the goal as Larson beat Petersen and put a shot through the five hole to take a 4-3 lead.

Two minutes later — on just its tenth shot against Petersen — Waterloo went two goals ahead when third-year forward Matt Amadio fired another one home on a goal, assisted by fifth-year forward Kain Allieck and first-year defensemen Mike Moffat.

Petersen finished with just nine saves on 13 shots in almost 30 minutes of work.

“I’m not going to evaluate [Petersen’s performance] too strongly,” Jackson said. “It’s hard to go in cold so I’m not going to evaluate that. I know he’s much better than that.”

Notre Dame’s best chance in the next 10 minutes came when senior forward Peter Schneider had a shot denied with just fewer than 10 minutes to play by a sprawling stick save from Hurry. The Waterloo goaltender recorded 23 saves on 24 shots.

With 42 seconds to go, the Irish, already on the power play, got one back when Schneider finally beat Hurry with 42 seconds to play. Hinostroza’s initial shot was saved and Schneider put the puck in the back of the net on the goal assisted by DiPauli. However, the Irish were unable to test Hurry the rest of the way and succumbed to their first exhibition loss in 10 years.

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“Wow, it was a difficult game,” Jackson cautioned that with a young team — there are 11 newcomers to the program — things will have to be different for the veterans this year.

“The big thing is that the veteran guys have to understand is that it’s not like where you have a veteran team when you can just respond like that,” Jackson said. “You’ve got a lot of new guys trying to figure it out.”

Notre Dame will open the regular season Friday when it takes on Rensselaer at the Ice Breaker Tournament — also featuring Minnesota and Minnesota-Duluth — at the Compton Family Ice Arena at 7:35 p.m.

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the U.S. senior women's national team, blew by the remaining defenders and beat Little to score the unassisted goal and give Virginia the 1-0 lead.

“Kaela played tremendously,” Romagnolo said. “We need to do a better job in front of her. [We need to start] just limiting our opponent’s chances. … We allowed way too many shots.”

Little shrugged off the goal and set a season-high in saves on the day, with eight stops on 18 shots. In addition to the Cavalier attack, Little also had to battle swirling gusts of wind that affected play throughout the game.

For the next thirty minutes of play, the Irish were still unable to generate any sustained offensive attack.

“We didn’t have the ball too much today,” Romagnolo said. “We had to do a lot of defending… Overall, we’re a very good possession team. We usually press a team well but not today.”

Only two Notre Dame players managed to get off a shot through the first 83 minutes of play — junior midfielder Glory Williams and senior forward Karin Simonian. Simonian led the team with four shots, two of which were on goal.

“She’s very skillful,” Romagnolo said. “She makes a lot happen for us. [She’s] a great passer and she gets to the goal very well.”

It was Roccaro, however, who gave the Irish a chance to force overtime late in the game. In the 84th minute, from 30 yards out, the junior collected a loose ball on the right and uncorked a shot that beat Virginia sophomore goalkeeper Morgan Stearns to the left, tying the game up.

“It was a great goal,” Romagnolo said. “We put her at the attacking midfielder position, and I guess she found a hole, and she took the space and made the finish.”

With the game seemingly headed for overtime, Virginia made one last push down the left side of the field. Junior forward MaKenzy Doniak made a run into the penalty area and took a shot just outside the six-yard box. Little made a diving stop and deflected the ball out in front of the goal but ratcliffe collected the rebound and banged it home to secure the win.

“The Irish aim to get back on track this Thursday on the road at Pittsburgh. Notre Dame will face off against the Panthers at 7 p.m., at Ambrose Urbanic Field.

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just outside the penalty box that struck the far post.

“Some games you just aren’t hot,” O’Malley said. “You’ve seen this kind of thing a thousand times, and sometimes you just can’t find the back of the net. Our goals come from everywhere on the field, and the whole team needs to step it up in our next game against Michigan.”

O’Malley focused on the large number of scoring opportunities the Irish were able to create as an encouraging sign.

“There are a lot of positives amongst the negatives in that game, and most importantly was the ability of the team to create shots,” O’Malley said. “We obviously got a lot off in the game, but just need to hit the target a bit more. I think our crossing, especially from our [senior defenders] Luke Mishu and Max Lachowecki, was also a strong point for us in the game.

“In the future, we just need to keep our focus. This is a team that not only has the talent to win a national championship, but also the right work ethic and attitude. We will keep focused, and we will win that championship, trust me.”

The Irish have a quick turnaround to prepare for a matchup with Michigan (2-5-2, 1-1-2 Big Ten) on Tuesday. The Wolverines are coming off a 2-1 overtime victory over Wisconsin last Saturday.

The last time the Irish played the Wolverines, they cruised to a comfortable 3-0 victory Sept. 17, 2013. Overall, Notre Dame owns the series edge, 7-1-2.

O’Malley said he is confident in his team’s chances against the Wolverines.

“Michigan is a tough game,” O’Malley said. “They have a lot of good players and will definitely provide a good environment to play in at their stadium. We look forward to the game and are going in to get a good result.”

The top-ranked Irish take a break from ACC play with a match against Michigan on Tuesday. Game time is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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**Irish senior defender Luke Mishu sprints to the ball during Notre Dame’s 1-0 win against VCU on Tuesday at Alumni Stadium.**

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Happy Birthday! Communications, education and transportation are highlighted. Begin this week by engaging in meaningful experiences and creative projects, and stay realistic about the choices you make; this will clear the way for the desirable changes you want to see. Don’t let uncertainty cloud your vision or slow you down. Putting the pieces of your life puzzle together should not be too complicated. Your numbers are 6, 10, 17, 23, 29, 36, 41.

ARIES (March 21–April 19): Communications will lead to solutions, earning more money or forming a close bond to someone you have a future with. Travel plans can be made, but be reasonable regarding your destination. A safe, secure location is essential. Trust your intuition.

TAURUS (April 20–May 20): A fast-talker will try to get between you and your cash. Refrain from taking on any more responsibilities until you take care of the ones you already have. Pick up knowledge or take short and informative trips if advised.

GEMINI (May 21–June 20): Emotional matters will surface. Stick to the truth even if it causes emotions to run high. Express your opinions so you can move on without delay or regret. Greater opportunities await you. Love is highlighted.

CANCER (June 21–July 22): Troubles at home are best avoided if possible. Wait for a better time to find workable solutions. Use your energy into expanding your horizons, making sure you are sharing your thoughts with like-minded individuals. Trust your intuition.

LEO (July 23–Aug. 22): Only you can experience life. Make time will work against you. Take care of your chores and responsibilities to avoid complaints before you go on vacation. Back away from joint financial ventures. You will not be given accurate figures and are likely to encounter loss.

VIRGO (Aug. 23–Sept. 22): A guarded approach to what you are doing will help you avoid interference. Follow your gut feeling when dealing with personal matters. A practical approach will help you avoid a costly error. Impulse is the enemy, so slow down. Refuse to give in to emotional blackmail.

LIBRA (Sept. 23–Oct. 22): Take part in community or family events. New friendship opportunities are abundant. A creative idea you have can lead to good fortune. Love is highlighted along with romance and updating your appearance and image.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23–Nov. 21): Take a guarded approach to what you are doing; someone may try to get between you and your cash. A practical approach will help you avoid a costly error. Impulse is the enemy, so slow down. Refuse to give in to emotional blackmail.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22–Dec. 21): Take care of your chores and responsibilities to avoid complaints before you go on vacation. Back away from joint financial ventures. Trust your intuition.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22–Jan. 19): You can be forgetful at times; someone may try to get between you and your cash. A practical approach will help you avoid a costly error. Impulse is the enemy, so slow down. Refuse to give in to emotional blackmail.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20–Feb. 18): You can’t save everyone and must refrain from giving too much in an attempt to make an impression. An unexpected change in your relationship with a friend, colleague or relative will be costly. A practical approach will help you avoid a costly error. Impulse is the enemy, so slow down. Refuse to give in to emotional blackmail.

PISCES (Feb. 19–March 20): Take care of your chores and responsibilities to avoid complaints before you go on vacation. Back away from joint financial ventures. You will not be given accurate figures and are likely to encounter loss.

Birthday Baby: You are inventive, unique and resourceful. You are quick, sensitive and generous.

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Eagles sophomore forward Isaac Norinescu interrupted a pass and floated a shot just over Irish graduate student goalkeeper Patrick Wall. The goal was the first the Irish had allowed in 256 minutes, coming off two straight shutouts against North Carolina and VCU. The last goal the Irish had allowed came in a 1-1 overtime tie against Virginia on Sept. 21.

One of Notre Dame’s few good chances came early in the 39th minute of the first half. Freshman forward Jeffrey Farina beat the Eagles defense and fired a shot, only for it to miss wide of the near post.

In the second half, the Irish dominated the Eagles in shots, 11-0. However, Boston College junior goalkeeper Alex Kapp stopped a shot in the 52nd minute from Irish junior midfielder Patrick Hodan and the rebound shot attempt from Irish senior forward Vince Cicciarelli. Kapp ended the game with three saves. In the 74th minute, Irish senior defender Max Lachowski fired a shot from the point of the Irish goal, the cavaliers (11-1-0, 3-1-0) had several near-chances on goal, the cavaliers (11-1-0, 3-1-0)

The second half began in a similar way, with Virginia dominating possession but the Irish defensive line holding on. Then, in the 53rd minute, junior Cari Roccaro attempted a pass across the middle in the defensive third, which Virginia senior midfielder Morgan Brian intercepted.

Brian, who has played with