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Saint Mary's addresses budget cut problems

Deficit to reach \$1.5 million next fiscal year

By MEGAN O'NEIL
News Writer

Due to a significant drop in enrollment and rising operating costs, Saint Mary's College is currently facing a budget deficit of \$1.5 million for the 2005 fiscal year.

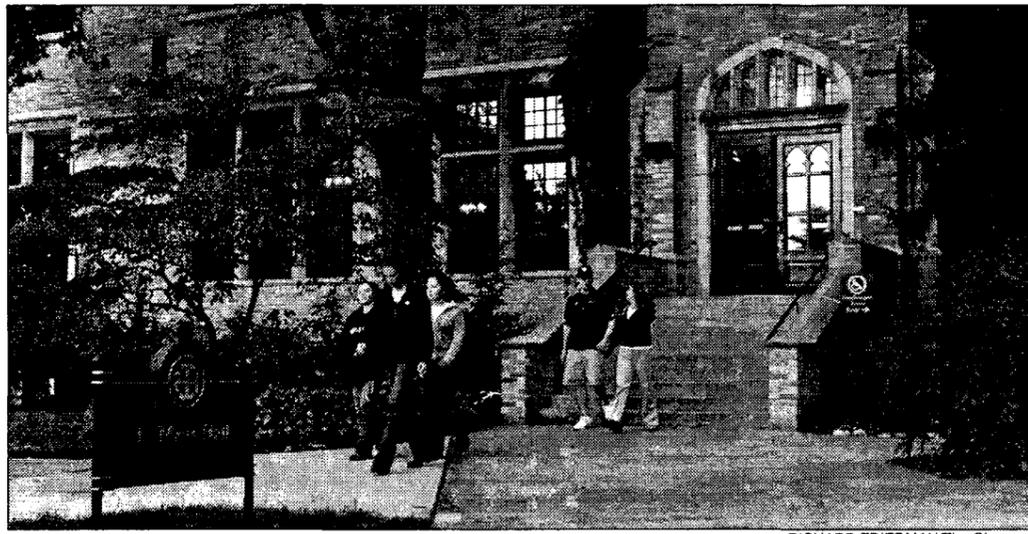
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RICHARD FRIEDMAN/The Observer

Students walked out of Le Mans Hall at Saint Mary's. College administrators said they do not believe current budget shortfalls will have any long-term negative effects for the school.

College confident that enrollment will rise

By ANGELA SAOUD
Saint Mary's Editor

Despite a depleted freshman class coupled with enrollment drops at women's colleges nationwide, Saint Mary's is confident it will recover from negative admissions trends.

Director of Institutional Research Mary Lelik said Saint Mary's is in the norm as far as declining admissions among the top ten women's colleges in the country.

Of the 10 institutions, eight have experienced declines in the number of entering students between 1999

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Committee, ND discuss parties City officials focus on issues of off-campus students

By TERESA FRALISH
Associate News Editor

South Bend city officials and residents met with Notre Dame officials and students Monday to discuss concerns raised by neighbors about excessive partying and noise levels at off-campus student houses.

Those at the meeting reached no formal decisions but agreed to share certain types of information and to work to increase communication among the various interested parties.

The meeting of the South Bend Common Council's Committee on Health and Public Safety was organized by Ann Puzzello, District 4 Council representative and chair of the committee.

Puzzello planned Thursday's meeting as an extension of meetings held previously with South Bend residents, who detailed specific complaints about parties.

At the beginning of the meeting, Puzzello distributed a list of specific concerns residents had previously voiced about student parties, including noise levels, property damage and police response to loud parties. Committee members and the representatives began by addressing the list of approximately 20 problems.

Bill Kirk, Notre Dame's associate vice president for student affairs, explained some of the legal restrictions the University faces in sanctioning student parties or releasing information about penalties for specific inci-

dents.

"We cannot disclose what happened to a particular student," Kirk said.

In addition, Kirk said that reports of noisy parties often did not provide enough information for Notre Dame to investigate the complaint.

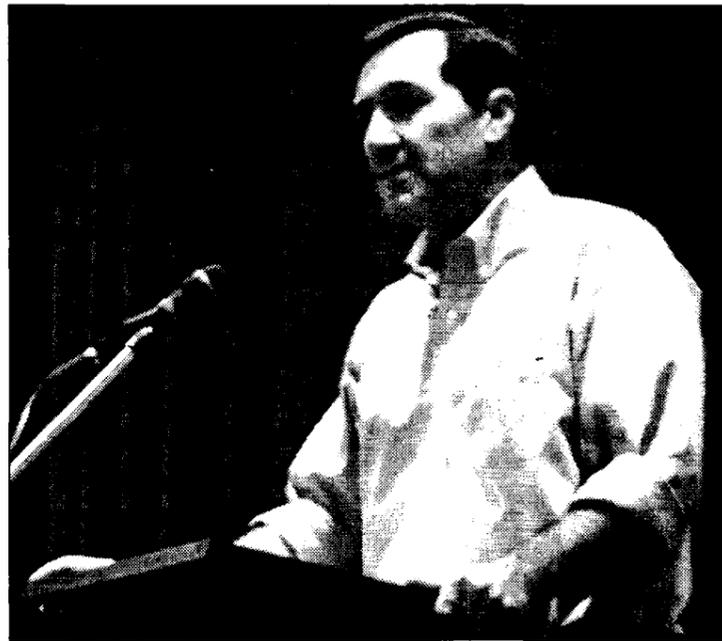
"Sometimes we're getting reports by which we have no means to verify," Kirk said. "Quite honestly, we can't always verify the information."

But when enough information is available linking students to specific incidents, the University can take action, Kirk said.

"We have on several circumstances ... when we have certain information dealt with those students pretty severely," he said.

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Donnelly talks about campaign strategies



KELLY HIGGINS/The Observer

Congressional candidate Joe Donnelly spoke to Saint Mary's students Monday about his campaign.

Indiana congressional candidate addresses Saint Mary's College

By MEGAN O'NEIL
News Writer

Indiana 2nd District congressional candidate Joe Donnelly spoke to the College Democrats at Saint Mary's Monday about his campaign and possible involvement for young people.

A Notre Dame graduate and Notre Dame law school alumnus, Donnelly said the November election was critical, along with the race for Indiana's 2nd District, one of the nation's closest.

"This is one of the hottest races

in the country," said Donnelly. "There is a 50-50 difference."

Reflecting on the 1986 Indiana congressional election that came down to 47 votes, Donnelly emphasized the significance of every individual voter.

"You literally could go around to two or three dorms here and talk to residents and change the outcome of that election," said Donnelly.

The candidate urged his audience to engage themselves with local politics and exercise the right to vote.

"When I hear young people saying 'My vote doesn't count,' I shake my head because it has never counted more," he said.

It was this sense of civic obligation, said Donnelly that led him

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COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

Group debates off-campus housing



JUSTIN RICE/The Observer

Council of Representatives members convened on Monday to discuss a meeting about off-campus student concerns.

By MARY KATE MALONE
News Writer

The Council of Representatives met Monday to discuss the City of South Bend City Council meeting about students partying off campus and to introduce nominations for the two vice president positions on the Judicial Council.

Student Body President Adam Istvan summarized the council meeting for the representatives.

"The South Bend Council met to discuss off campus parties and

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INSIDE COLUMN

Props to you

Props to you if...
 Your NCAA football dynasty always takes priority over homework. You think there should be a campus-wide beer pong league.
 Despite what everyone says you realize that "The Boondock Saints" truly is a horrible piece of cinema. You hate Barry Bonds.
 You hate people who wear Yankees hats, but have never even been to New York before.
 You think people that pop their collars look ridiculous. You think 50 Cent is overrated.
 You wish you had a Jesus action figure (yes, they do exist). Within the last year you busted out your old Super Nintendo to play Mario again.
 A part of you feels sad that the Expos are leaving Montreal. You think Dave Chapelle is god. You don't think Dave Matthews is god.
 You don't understand what the big deal about NASCAR is and don't care to find out. You hate Jared from Subway with a passion. You go out drinking four or more nights a week and scoff at people who think that is a sign of alcoholism.
 You hate both George Bush and John Kerry. You know what "Aqua Team Hunger Force" is. Your idea of a good pep rally is having forties at four. You played "Chrono Trigger" back in the day.
 You think the BCS makes about as much sense as a "South Park" episode. You wish Bill O'Reilly would just shut up and go away. You can't wait for "Family Guy" to come back on the air.
 You are glad that "Friends" is finally off the air. You have about as much dorm spirit as Michael Moore at a Republican rally. You know that not all rap sounds like the crap you hear on the radio.
 You respect anime as a legitimate art form. Your idea of working out is doing a power hour. You didn't go out drinking because you were going to study for a test and ended up just playing video games all night instead.
 You got giddy when you saw that the old "Star Wars" movies were coming out on DVD. You miss the NHL about as much as you miss the XFL.
 Your fantasy football team is more important to you than your GPA. You are unhappy that Tom Timmermans won't be gracing the floor of the Joyce Center this year.
 Your Mondays seem empty and unfulfilled whenever there isn't a new Strong Bad e-mail. You are a senior and still don't know the words to the Alma Mater.
 When you don't have much money and you need to choose between buying beer or buying food, you always buy the beer. You read this because you had nothing better to do.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: IF YOU COULD MEET ANY PERSON WHO WOULD IT BE?



Mel Bautista
PW
freshman

"Donald Duck."



Tashi Thomas
Farley
freshman

"Johnny Depp."



Kimmy Moore
Farley
senior

"Brian Coughlin, he's the coach of the water polo team and has a twin."



Kristen Aland
Cavanaugh
junior

"Napoleon Dynamite because he's flippin' sweet."



Lucy Sumerville
Lewis
sophomore

"Dave Berry — we could use some comic relief at this school."



Dru Cash
graduate student

"Oprah Winfrey."



PAMELA LOCK/The Observer

Alumni Association Executive Director Chuck Lennon speaks to students Monday evening at the Coleman-Morse Center.

IN BRIEF

Victoria Tin-bor Hui, Kellogg Visiting Fellow, will speak on "Globalization, Development, and Constitutionalism in Historical Perspective: Lessons from the West on the Rest" from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. today in room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center.

Author Richard Garcia will give a poetry reading and presentation today from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in room 208 McKenna Hall.

Kay Londeran will lead stories and activities for children at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore today from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

University President Father Edward Malloy will address the faculty today from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. in the Decio Theatre of the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts.

Human Resources will offer free blood pressure and body fat screenings for faculty and staff Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the lobby of Grace Hall.

Holy Cross Associates will present an information session about post-graduate service opportunities today from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Center for Social Concerns.

The Kellogg Institute will sponsor an information session on summer internships and grants today from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.

OFFBEAT

Student allegedly tries to bribe teacher

WILSONVILLE, Ore. — A 17-year-old high school student was detained and released after being accused of trying to bribe a teacher to alter attendance records so he could make a drug run.

The student handed a note with some money to Matthew Courtney, who teaches English as a second language, promising to make him rich if he went along with the scheme, said Deputy Joel Manley, a spokesman for the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office.

The note said the student had taken orders for drugs from other students and had to go to Arizona and California to pick up a shipment, authorities said.

Courtney reported the incident to the principal, who called police. The student was arrested Thursday.

Police raid cockroach-infested apartment

ANSONIA, Conn. — They were looking for drugs, but also found bugs. Undercover agents raided an apartment early Saturday morning and

found the place overrun with cockroaches.

Officers said the property was "disgusting" and "unsanitary."

They also said they discovered some marijuana, cocaine and drug-packaging materials, but the tenants weren't home. Police said someone attempted to fumigate the apartment, but apparently was unsuccessful.

"Apparently, the bugs got to the dealers before the cops did," Shelton Det. Sgt. Michael Madden said.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	WEDNESDA	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 58 LOW 39	HIGH 42 LOW 39	HIGH 66 LOW 43	HIGH 71 LOW 49	HIGH 72 LOW 52	HIGH 73 LOW 53

BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

Wilson speaks about budget cuts at SMC

Assistant director of funding encourages students to get involved in philanthropy

By KELLY MEEHAN
News Writer

With budget cuts plaguing the College, Saint Mary's Board of Governance invited Jude Ann Wilson, the assistant director of the Annual Fund, to speak at Monday night's meeting. Wilson's main objective was to have board members strive to encourage their classmates to donate any amount of money to the fund.

With tuition accounting for 80 percent of the College's funding, the other 20 percent is collected through alumni and student donations to the Annual Fund. Wilson also noted that the initiation of the Quarters Campaign began in 2002, to have current students donate to the annual fund before they graduate. The Campaign began so that students would make donating to the College a habit, and continue to do so throughout their lives.

"It is critical for students to get involved with philanthropy now to continue with it in the future," Wilson said.

The Board approved to co-sponsor a trip for women's issues commissioner Katie Kelly to visit St. Kate's College in St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn. and St.

Ben's College in Winona, Minn. over fall break. The purpose of her visit is to see the College's women's centers and ask college representatives about their goals for the centers and how they worked to achieve those goals.

"I feel that this center is really something that will benefit the entire student body," said public relations commissioner, Ashley Thornburg.

In other BOG News:

♦ Student Activities Board commissioner Lauren Fabina reported that there are no scheduled events for this upcoming week, but thanked those who helped with or attended any events during Spirit Week.

♦ Residence Hall Association commissioner Martha Hottenstein reported that RHA is planning to have an energy conservation competition between all of the residence halls.

♦ A "Catholic Common Ground Discussion" will be held Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Stapleton Lounge. The topic will be religious commitments in politics.

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and 2003, Lelik said. While Wellesley and Barnard experienced the greatest enrollment stability, with five-year declines of only .7 percent and .4 percent respectively, the average decrease in the entering class size for the six remaining colleges that lost enrollment was more than 10 percent.

However, while Wellesley and Barnard boast the smallest losses, the two schools also boast the lowest admissions acceptance rates among the top 10 colleges: 47 percent and 34 percent respectively. The acceptance rate for Saint Mary's is 82 percent.

When students apply for college, the yield rate — the number of accepted students who actually choose to attend a given institution — is roughly 30 percent. Traditionally, Saint Mary's has had a higher yield rate — 49 percent in fall 2003 alone.

But this year, it was a different story. Only 36 percent of accepted students committed to Saint Mary's — higher than the national average but lower than what Saint Mary's typically experiences.

According to Director of Admissions Mary Pat Nolan, a new process the admissions department tried last year caused more applications than ever before to come in, but resulted in a much lower yield.

Nolan said the College received 1,269 applications for the class of 2008, the most she had seen in her 21 years here at the College. "Part of [the jump] is due to a new enrollment process we tried last year called the Scholars Advanced Application Program," Nolan said. "This program sent pre-completed application forms to over 400 students."

Since each application already

had a lot of information included, students had to do less work to get their applications back to Saint Mary's. However, the mailing of these applications did not occur until January, making it fairly late in the game for students who were already interested in other colleges. Of the 969 students accepted to Saint Mary's, only 350 committed to entering the freshman class.

Lelik said the 36 percent yield was, therefore, to be expected.

"While this is down from past years, it is because we received more applications and accepted more students than usual," she said.

Nolan said a decision would be made in the next few weeks regarding whether the Scholars Advanced Application Program will continue.

According to Lelik, admissions are also down because of the competition for students will other schools.

"We have many students who cross apply with other schools, but many of them don't cross-apply with other schools like us," Lelik said. "They apply to big public schools like [Indiana University], Purdue, Michigan or Illinois. Or, they apply to a different school of religious affiliation like Notre Dame, DePaul or Marquette. This makes it tough because some of those schools can offer things that we can't — and at the same time, we can show students what we can offer them that they won't be able to find elsewhere. There is a higher level of competitiveness among these schools."

The U.S. has only 65 all-women's colleges and five all male colleges remaining. Lelik and Nolan said that for these institutions, fluctuations in admissions are a normal occurrence.

"There is going to be a little bouncing around the admissions numbers scale when dealing with

colleges," Lelik said. "For example, St. Catherine's admissions are up this year, but largely because they appeal to a different crowd than we do. They appeal to a regional area, and they have weekend and evening classes to bulk up their admissions. We're looking at the national level, trying to appeal to people from all over."

Lelik said despite a loss in the number of students, she feels the college will continue to grow and seek students nationally because Saint Mary's has seen these types of fluctuations before.

"Clearly, women's colleges nationwide struggle with the realities of an increasingly competitive higher education marketplace," Lelik said. "But in time, these fluctuations will bounce around, eventually landing up."

On average, Nolan said, she and the admissions office workers send mailings to between 24,000 and 26,000 students each year who show interest in Saint Mary's. Students who receive a mailing, or check a box on the SAT or ACT saying they would like to hear from colleges interested in them, are sent a complete set of Saint Mary's materials.

While many are seniors going through the admissions process, some students start receiving these mailings early on in their high school careers.

Saint Mary's also conducts College Board searches to match certain students who meet the College's criteria, and does a separate mailing to markets that have traditionally yielded a good field of students. Saint Mary's representatives also visit high schools in 30 to 35 states and last year they conducted a cold mailing to see what type or response the College would get from the public.

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last summer to agree to run for the Indiana 2nd district congressional seat.

Donnelly said running for office has given him the opportunity to do his duty for the country.

"In my heart I felt I had not done my part," said Donnelly. "I came in a little after Vietnam and a little before the Persian Gulf."

Donnelly said that his opponent, Republican Chris Chocola, makes for tough competition because his well-funded campaign allows him to run many more television ads than the challenger can.

Instead, Donnelly has focused efforts on neighborhood walks and voter registration. The chance to meet possible future constituents, said Donnelly, has been the highlight of the cam-

paign thus far and will continue until Nov. 2.

"We will win by knocking on doors, handing out literature and talking to people," he said.

Differences in campaign tactics are not the only characteristic distinguishing him from his opponent, said Donnelly.

One of the biggest distinctions, the candidate said, concerns the federal deficit. According to Donnelly, the U.S. government is currently \$422 billion in debt, and that number would be much higher if Social Security funds were not being used to control it.

The war in Iraq is another issue that Donnelly said is not being managed appropriately. "We are now there, and there is no back door out," said Donnelly. "We can't cut and run ... We have to stabilize it, and get it under control and when we leave it won't be soon

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Meeting

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Kirk said that off-campus students are asked to provide an address but the University ultimately has no way of enforcing that request.

Jim Hessig, South Bend Police chief, said police also faced the problem of determining who lived in which houses, and whether the tenants are actually home.

"The biggest problem of giving citations is being able to determine who lives there among a sea of people," Hessig said.

Mark Kramer, the owner of Domus Properties, which rents many area houses to students, said that in some cases South Bend residents could be overreacting to student parties. Kramer also cited one report in which neighbors called police, who determined that no violations were taking place at the student house in question.

"I think there's some overreaction going on," said Kramer. "In this particular report, the officer is saying there's not a problem."

Both Kirk and Kramer noted specific actions that Domus Properties had taken to increase communication, such as hosting barbecues for students and residents and holding

information sessions for students.

"In fairness to Domus Properties, they've really tried to make some efforts to bring the community together," Kirk said.

However, no residents attended this year's gathering, Kramer said.

Notre Dame senior Mike Roaldi said after his house received a noise complaint at the beginning of the year, he and his roommates went and apologized to the neighbors and distributed their phone numbers.

"I think we all feel that the solution to the problem is more communication," he said.

However, senior Kaitlin Briscoe said her house at 113 Notre Dame Avenue was ticketed on a weekend when none of her housemates were home.

"The neighbors complained about a party that was held and they cited our house but we weren't even involved," she said.

Other South Bend officials discussed problems with zoning regulations, such as the number of people allowed in houses at the same time or the how many unrelated persons could reside in the same home.

"I have the license plates of four different individuals from four different states," said Pat McFadden, who lives at 418 East Pokagan Street. "What is so hard about it? You file a lawsuit."

However, Catherine Brucker, direc-

tor of code enforcement for South Bend, said enforcing zoning laws could be difficult and complicated.

"We sent letters ahead of time advising of what the zoning is," she said. "[Enforcement] is very hard to do."

Ann-Carol Nash, a city attorney for South Bend, said it could be equally complicated to file legal charges against noise violators without very specific information.

"We want to make sure we're prepared for each and every case," she said. "We want to make certain that we're going in there with a case that we're going to be solid with."

Other residents used the meeting to voice concerns about specific problems that occurred this year.

"There was a fairly small party and they threw beer cups in our back yard," said Anne Pendle, who lives at 703 Peashway Street.

"For four or five years they were hundreds of students," said her husband, Gene Pendle.

Notre Dame student body president Adam Istvan also spoke about student government's efforts to help improve the problem.

"On Thursday we're presenting to the [Notre Dame] Board of Trustees a report that deals with off-campus living," he said.

Istvan also discussed the SafeBus initiative, which he said would help address the problem of students walking through neighborhoods and causing damage.

Residents also expressed concerns about poor police response to calls about noise, but Hessig said it was not feasible to break up every noisy party.

"You could tie up some 20 officers for some four hours," he said.

At the meeting's end, officials agreed to exchange some information about zoning regulations and legal processes.

Puzzello said further similar meetings about noisy student parties would likely not take place unless problems specific to a certain street or area occurred.

"There is no benefit to continuing to hold these meetings unless we have new information," she said.

Puzzello said she would continue to talk informally with the University and South Bend residents and officials to continue improving the situation for her constituents.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Prime minister condemns leaders

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia on Monday condemned what he called international indifference to Palestinian suffering in the face of a broad Israeli offensive into the Gaza Strip aimed at halting rocket attacks on Israel.

At least 67 Palestinians have been killed in the five-day offensive, making it the deadliest Israeli incursion into Gaza in more than four years of fighting.

Nine Palestinians died Monday in northern Gaza, including four militants and a 14-year-old girl who residents said was shot as she baked bread with her mother in their garden.

Aristide supporters threaten police

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Supporters of ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide wielded machetes and threatened to cut off the heads of Haitian police and the interim prime minister during demonstrations on Monday, part of a recent campaign that has been dubbed "Operation Baghdad."

No violence was reported in Monday's demonstrations in the capital Port-au-Prince. But at least 14 people were killed in clashes Thursday and Friday, including three police officers who were shot to death and then beheaded.

Tensions erupted into violence in the capital last week as the country was still reeling from the chaotic aftermath of Tropical Storm Jeanne. The death toll from the storm's devastating floods and mudslides rose Monday to 1,870 with another 884 reported missing and most presumed dead.

About 150 Aristide supporters demonstrated on Monday and some directed their anger at Haitian police who fired in the air to try to disperse a gathering.

NATIONAL NEWS

Volcano blows off more steam

MOUNT ST. HELENS NATIONAL MONUMENT, Wash. — Mount St. Helens blew off more steam Monday, shooting a billowing white plume several hundred feet above the volcano and thrilling hundreds of visitors who had gathered below the rumbling mountain.

"Wow. It was amazing," said 9-year-old Alex Turchiano, who watched from a nearby visitors center. "I was hoping to see lava so I could see the trees fall down and the lava flow into the water. I wanted to see what it was going to do — whether it would stop or keep going."

Scientists, who continued to warn that the volcano could blow at any moment, stopped short of calling the steam burst an actual eruption, saying no volcanic material apparently was emitted.

Governor contests Florida ruling

TALLAHASSEE — Gov. Jeb Bush will ask the Florida Supreme Court to reconsider its 7-0 ruling against a law designed to keep a brain-damaged woman alive, a spokesman said Monday.

Florida's high court ruled two weeks ago that Bush and state lawmakers overstepped their authority with the year-old law ordering that Terri Schiavo's feeding tube be reinserted six days after her husband had it removed so she could die.

LOCAL NEWS

City receives grant for sensor system

GARY — City officials have received a \$700,000 federal grant to install a system of utility pole-mounted sensors that can pinpoint the source of gunfire.

Using the technology, police will know in seconds if a loud pop outside a home is gunfire, a car engine or fireworks.

The ShotSpotter Inc. system will transmit information through telephone lines to the police communications center, where a radio dispatcher can then pinpoint the gunshot's location to within about 20 feet.

IRAQ

Car explosions kill at least 24

U.S. Embassy and government offices targeted by bombs, over 100 wounded

Associated Press

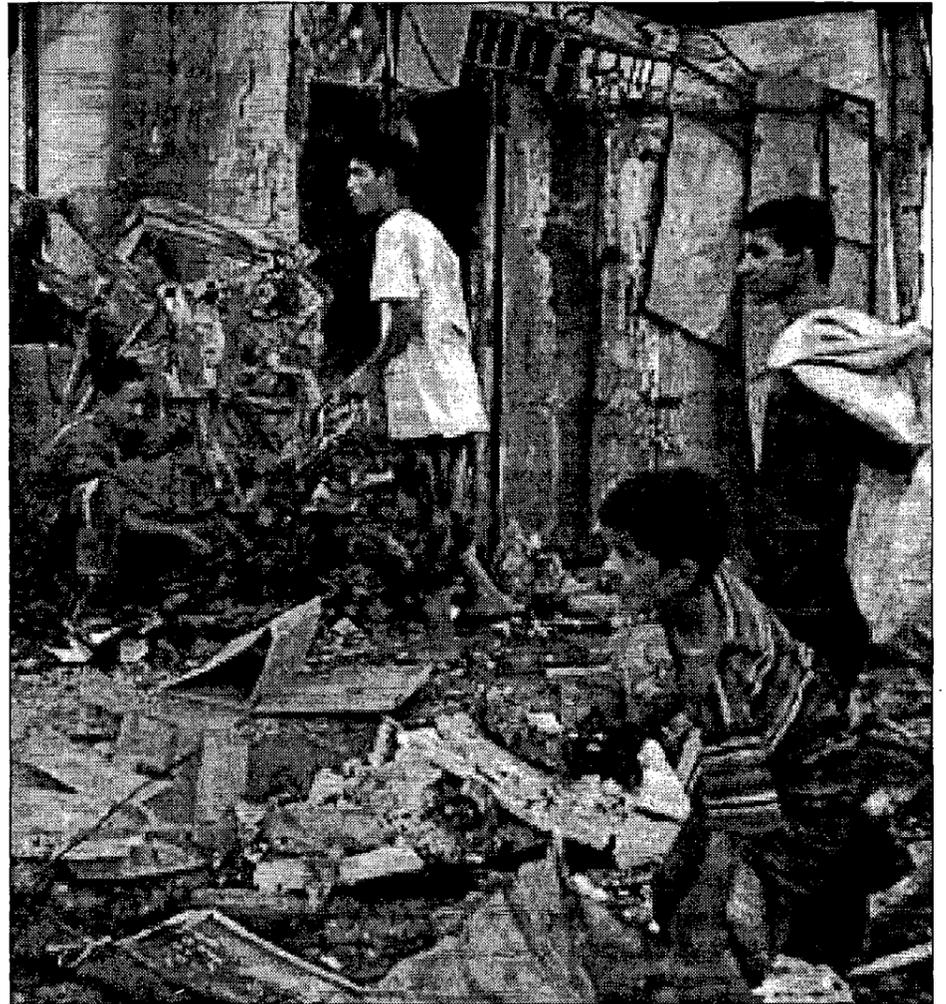
BAGHDAD — Insurgents unleashed a pair of powerful car bombs Monday near the symbol of U.S. authority in Iraq — the Green Zone, where the U.S. Embassy and key government offices are located — and hotels occupied by hundreds of foreigners. Two other explosions brought the day's bombing toll to at least 24 dead and more than 100 wounded.

More than three dozen car bombings since the beginning of September illustrate the militants' seeming ability to strike at will despite recent pledges by the United States and Iraq to intensify the suppression of insurgents, and the morale-boosting recapture of Samarra over the weekend.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said Monday he does not expect a civil war to erupt in Iraq, and pointed to the formerly insurgent-held city of Samarra as an example of success.

"I don't think it's going to happen," Rumsfeld said in New York at the Council on Foreign Relations, when asked about the threat of civil war. "But what has to be done in that country is what basically was done in Samarra over the last 48 hours."

The day's violence also included assassinations of three Iraqis, and U.S. attacks against targets in insurgent-held Fallujah. In the latest hostage developments, kidnappers freed two Indonesian women, but a separate militant group claimed to have killed a



Children collect usable metal parts from the site of a car bomb explosion in Saadoun street of Baghdad. The bomb targeted two four-wheel drive vehicles.

Turkish man and a long-time Iraqi resident of Italy.

No coalition forces were wounded in either of Monday's blasts in Baghdad, said Maj. Phil Smith, a spokesman for the 1st Cavalry Division. But the U.S. command reported two of its soldiers were killed at a Baghdad traffic checkpoint Sunday.

In the first car bombing

Monday, insurgents detonated a four-wheel drive vehicle packed with explosives at the western entrance of the heavily fortified Green Zone about 8:45 a.m., said Interior Ministry spokesman Col. Adnan Abdul-Rahman.

"I was thrown 10 yards away and hit the wall," said Wissam Mohammed, 30, who was visiting a

nearby recruiting center for Iraqi security forces. His right hand broken, his head wrapped in bandages and his clothes stained with blood, Mohammed lay in a bed at Yarmouk Hospital.

The hospital took in 15 bodies and 81 wounded from the explosion, said Sabah Aboud, the facility's chief registration official.

Hints of voter boom coming true

As registration deadlines fall, voters swamp election offices in record numbers

Associated Press

In a glimpse of what the nation might see a month from now, people lined up at election offices and caused parking lot traffic jams as voter registration deadlines fell Monday in more than a dozen states.

Many officials reported record numbers of new voters, some said they were overwhelmed, and allegations were already flying about fraud and the disqualification of some voters' applications.

"They're coming in, in buckets," said Pamela Swafford, deputy director of Ohio's Hamilton County board of elections. By Monday morning, the county that includes

Cincinnati had 64,045 new voter registrations on hand, more than twice the 29,178 it received four years ago.

Across Georgia's counties, Colorado's booming suburbs and in Midwestern cities, local officials were deluged.

Traffic jammed the parking lot at New Jersey's Burlington County government building. In Ocean County, phones rang continuously. The day for the office operator: "Good morning, Board of Elections, please hold; Good morning, Board of Elections, please hold; Good morning, Board of Elections, this is Barbara, how can I help you?"

Residents filling out forms stood after all the

chairs were filled, and then waited in line to drop off the forms.

"I think it's important to help decide who runs this country," said Janis Britting of Toms River, N.J., who recently moved from another part of the state. She registered as a Democrat, but said she was still undecided between President Bush and Democrat John Kerry.

A complete accounting of the registration figures across each state, let alone the country, won't be finished for several weeks, as officials continue to accept postmarked registration forms. Other states' deadlines fall later this week and month.

"If you walk into our mail room, we have stacks

and stacks of new forms coming in," said Kara Sinkule, spokeswoman for Georgia Secretary of State Cathy Cox, who oversees elections. "It's a great problem to have."

Her state is on pace to see a 50 percent increase in new voters for this presidential election compared to 2000. In the past year, 371,376 new voters registered, with 87,110 new voters in September alone. And the surge grew even bigger in the first few days of October.

Both the Democrats and the Republicans have poured resources into registering voters, spurred by the near deadlock of the 2000 presidential race and polls that predict another tight election this year.

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finance and administration, projected college revenue of \$41.5 million will fall short of the college's \$43.2 million operating expenses. Though these figures will be carefully adjusted and monitored as the year progresses, Stickelmaier said the College does not expect to suffer any long-term negative effects.

"The college's financial foundation is very sound," Stickelmaier said. "This is a revenue expense problem, it is not a foundational problem."

Administrators have decided to absorb the deficit over a period of two years rather than try and recover in just one, Stickelmaier said. Small but broad changes have been implemented in various departments, including freezing travel funds and cutting printing expenses. As a result, some departments will not be able to attend conferences they would normally attend, and others will be forced to limit brochures and fliers printed off campus.

According to Stickelmaier, careful efforts were made to preserve educational quality at the college. Budget changes in the academic departments were limited to freezing funds, such as the sabbatical budget — but not cutting them.

"We tried hard not to cut the academic departments," Stickelmaier said.

Stickelmaier attributed the revenue drop to two factors, the first being a depleted student body. While retention rates remained strong, there was a drop of 51 freshmen from the previous year's — resulting in the loss of roughly \$1 million.

"We had anticipated last spring that enrollment would be down. Because we expected that, we were able to plan our preliminary budget accordingly."

**Molly Welton
BOG Treasurer**

The second factor is steadily increasing operating costs at the college, particularly for employee benefits. According to Stickelmaier, small institutions across the country are struggling to provide employees with health insurance and retirement plans, due to rising costs in recent years.

"A lot of organizations are completely elimi-

nating, especially for retirees, what they call post-retirement benefits because they can't afford them any more," said Stickelmaier.

Stickelmaier said if the deficit is dealt with immediately, there should be no long-term negative consequences.

"It is going to take two or three years for us to turn things around," said Stickelmaier. "Nothing here is surprising to me."

Student government was also dealt a blow by the small freshman class this year.

Fulltime students pay a \$150 student activities fee as part of their tuition to support student government. BOG saw their budget shrink from \$215,650 to \$206,700, a cut of roughly \$9,000.

"We had anticipated last spring that enrollment would be down," said Molly Welton, BOG treasurer. "Because we expected that, we were able to plan our preliminary budget accordingly."

Despite the budget cut, Welton said, students should not be concerned about a lack of student activities.

"I am not anticipating any change in our ability to support campus in any way," Welton said.

Small changes have already been made by board members to avoid extravagant spending, Welton said students should feel no impact at all and added that he budget cut is something only she and other officers will notice.

"In fact our student activities board is bringing to campus bigger performers and bigger name venues than ever before," said Welton.

While Welton was unable to provide an exact number, she said that BOG also had rollover money from last year's board, which was placed in a discretionary fund typically used to pay

for miscellaneous costs and left over bills during the summer. According to Welton, the fund will help soften the blow of this year's cuts.

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**Laurie Stickelmaier
VP of finance and administration**

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their impact on the community," Istvan said, adding that representatives from city government, attorneys and associate vice president for student affairs Bill Kirk attended the meeting.

Istvan said the main topic discussed at the meeting noisy off campus parties and their impact on the community.

"The main consensus among those who attended was that there needs to be better communication between students, landlords, neighbors and the university," Istvan said.

Istvan emphasized to the representatives that both Kirk and Mark Kramer, owner of Domus Properties, supported the students of Notre Dame at the South Bend Council Meeting.

"They are on our side," Istvan said.

Chief executive assistant Dave Barron, who attended the meeting with Istvan, said that Kirk was especially supportive of the students.

"Bill Kirk is a tireless advo-

cate," Baron said.

Off campus representative Dave McGowan added that cooperation with South Bend Police was the key to hosting a safe party off campus without upsetting neighbors in the area.

"You can hire cops to work your party. As long as have a cop there, you are covered," McGowan said.

Although the SafeBus proposal was not formally discussed at the meeting, senior class president Darrell Scott questioned how residents attending the council meeting responded to it.

"I cannot say that they endorsed it. So far the only endorsement is from Mayor Stephen Lueke. He is very enthusiastic," Istvan said.

Finally, Judicial Council President Brin Anderson presented her nominations for vice president of elections and vice president of peer advocacy, senior Meagan Powers was nominated for vice president of peer advocacy and senior Carsten Steinhäuser was nominated for vice president of elections.

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IN BRIEF

Court upholds do-not-call registry

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court turned away a challenge Monday to the federal do-not-call registry, ending telemarketers' bid to invoke free-speech arguments to get the popular ban on unwanted phone solicitations thrown out.

The court, without comment, let stand a 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decision that upheld the registry of more than 64 million phone numbers as a reasonable government attempt to safeguard personal privacy and reduce telemarketing abuse.

Under the 2003 federal law, businesses face fines of up to \$11,000 if they call people who sign up for the registry — unless they have recently done business with them. Charities, pollsters and callers on behalf of politicians, however, are exempt.

PeopleSoft chief executive fired

WILMINGTON, Del. — PeopleSoft Inc.'s board fired Craig Conway as its chief executive after hearing him explain why he made a misleading statement about the business software maker's ability to close sales while fighting rival Oracle Corp.'s \$7.7 billion takeover bid.

Kicking off a two-week trial over PeopleSoft's anti-takeover defenses, company director Steven Goldby testified Monday that concerns about Conway's "situational ethics" contributed to the surprise decision to fire him late last week.

Factory orders drop unexpectedly

WASHINGTON — Orders placed with U.S. factories fell for the first time in four months, the Commerce Department said Monday, with demand dropping sharply for commercial airplanes and parts.

Factory orders declined by 0.1 percent in August, following an increase of 1.7 percent in July. August's drop was the first since April, when orders declined by 1.1 percent.

Economists had expected an August increase of about 0.3 percent.

Orders for durable goods — costly manufactured items expected to last at least three years — fell by 0.3 percent. That was better than a previous estimate of a 0.5 percent drop.

U.S. launches trade crackdown

Bush administration announces national campaign against phony products

Associated Press

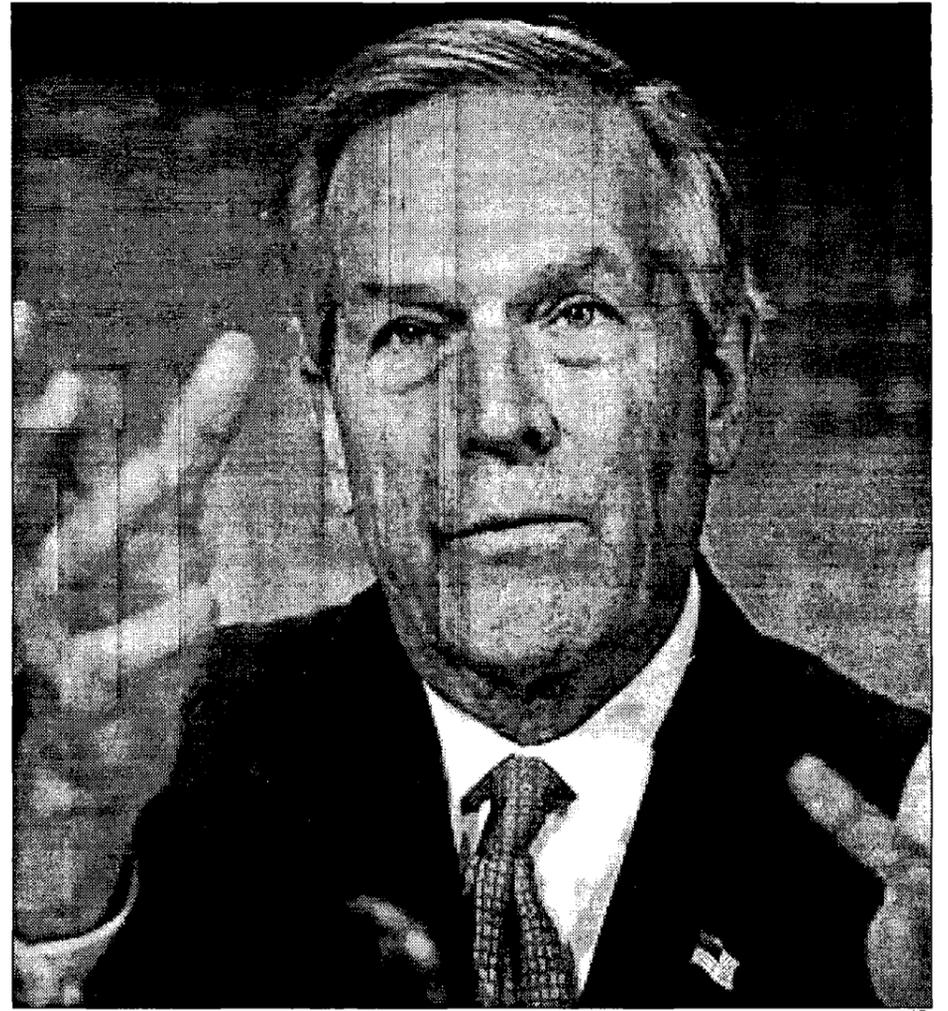
WASHINGTON — The Bush administration announced a national crackdown Monday on thefts of intellectual property and sales of fake designer brands and other counterfeit products.

Senior administration officials said the program, called Strategy Targeting Organized Piracy, was aimed at breaking up criminal networks that traffic in phony goods, stopping imports of such fakes at the borders and helping U.S. businesses enforce their property rights overseas. The departments of Commerce, Homeland Security and Justice will participate.

The administration said bogus products, from airline and automotive parts to pirated music and movie discs, account for up to 7 percent of global trade. Commerce Secretary Donald Evans cited complaints by the Zippo Manufacturing Co. in Bradford, Pa., that cheap international knockoffs cost the company one lost job for every 20,000 sales lost to fake lighters.

In some ways, officials said, the program will be an extension of counterterrorism efforts. The Homeland Security Department, which already inspects some shipments at borders for security purposes, will use new procedures to identify companies that routinely traffic in phony goods and check importers to ensure they are authorized to use trademarks and copyrights.

Asa Hutchinson, a Homeland Security undersecretary, said government's



Commerce Secretary Donald Evans gestures during a news conference announcing an initiative to target organized piracy of intellectual property Monday.

priority continues to be to prevent terrorism. The same border-control inspectors looking for terrorists and weapons also can search for illegal commercial contraband, he said.

Under one provision, called "name and shame," the government will seek to identify and publish the names of foreign companies caught selling counterfeit

goods.

Evans, the commerce secretary, said authorities had worked to organize the campaign for more than a year. He said Monday's announcement, also attended by Attorney General John Ashcroft and U.S. Trade Representative Robert B. Zoellick, was unrelated to President Bush's re-election campaign.

Evans said the Bush administration had filed hundreds more international market-compliance cases than the Clinton administration did.

"I don't accept the notion that we have not been aggressively pursuing these cases around the world," Evans said. "This administration has been more aggressive by far."

Supreme Court sidesteps dispute

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — MasterCard and Visa no longer can block banks from issuing credit cards from competitors after the Supreme Court declined to hear their appeal Monday.

Banks that issued MasterCard and Visa credit cards had been barred from also offering credit cards from other companies, such as Discover and American Express.

The Bush administration argued in court filings that removing the restriction would encourage competition and lead to more choices and, possibly, lower interest rates for consumers.

The administration had won in district court and the New York-based 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which found the restriction was anticompetitive.

About 20,000 banks issue cards only through Visa and MasterCard.

American Express has been trying to persuade banks to issue its cards. Under the contested rules, banks would have to give up Visa

and MasterCard cards to do that, and no U.S. bank has agreed, the court was told.

American Express and Discover have been issuing cards directly to individuals, although some foreign banks issue American Express cards.

After the court's announcement, MBNA said that it would begin issuing American Express-branded credit cards.

"Today's news marks a fundamental change in the U.S. credit card industry and we believe it will lead to better value and greater choice for consumers," said Ken Chenault, chairman and CEO of American Express.

Daniel Tarman, senior vice president of Visa USA, said that American Express is "accepted at millions fewer merchant locations than Visa worldwide" and that most consumers who want those cards already have them. "Our focus remains on competing for bank, merchant and cardholder business everyday," he said.

David Nelms, chairman and CEO of Discover Financial Services, said

the company has been in "advanced discussions" with potential partners and would move ahead with new partnerships that would be good for customers.

Roy Englert, one of the attorneys for MasterCard, wrote in a Supreme Court filing that consumers have gotten better quality, prices and choices with the regulations in place.

He said that Visa and MasterCard, like competitors in other industries, have a joint venture to help customers. He compared it to small businesses setting up cooperatives to get supplies at the best rate.

Bush administration lawyer Paul Clement told justices in a filing that Visa and MasterCard account for 73 percent of general credit card charges. He said the two dominant card networks block "every competitively significant bank in the country from dealing with networks they do not control."

The cases are VISA U.S.A. Inc. v. United States, 03-1521, and MasterCard International Inc. v. United States, 03-1532.

American scientists awarded Nobel Prize

Columbia University professor and cancer researcher win for illuminating sense of smell

Associated Press

Two Americans won the Nobel Prize in medicine Monday for discovering how people can recognize an estimated 10,000 odors, from spoiled meat to a lover's perfume.

Dr. Richard Axel, 58, of Columbia University and Linda B. Buck, 57, of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle revealed odor-sensing proteins in the nose and traced how they send their information to the brain.

The Nobel Assembly at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm said it chose the pair for the \$1.3 million prize not because of any practical payoff from the work, but simply because they enhanced understanding of "the most enigmatic of our senses."

For two scientists to single-handedly map one of the major human senses is unique in the history of science, Nobel assembly chairman Goeran Hansson said.

"It's pretty amazing to be able to sit here in the 21st century and reward discoveries that explain one of the human senses," he said.

Buck said she had not even known she was under consideration. "People have said things like, 'You should win the Nobel Prize,'" she said. "I feel very honored, of course."

Axel said sharing the prize with Buck was "a joy and a deep honor. ... I'm very surprised and very happy." He also said that the work might ultimately help scientists develop better insect repellants that keep away mosquitoes that transmit malaria, for example.

In 1991, Axel and Buck jointly reported discovering a large family of genes devoted to producing different odor-sensing proteins, called receptors, in the nose. Before that, scientists could only guess at how many different receptors were needed to distinguish smells in the environment.

Scientists now know that people have some 350 to 400 types of odor receptors, each of which can detect only a limited number of odors.

When a person sniffs per-

fume or fine wine, for example, a mix of different types of molecules flows over the receptors in the back of the nose. That activates an array of the receptors, but only those primed to respond to those particular molecules. The brain notes which receptors are activated, and interprets this pattern as the smell.

Since any given receptor can participate in more than one pattern, "you might have a rose and a skunk being recognized by some of the same receptors," Buck said.

Axel and Buck, who worked independently following their 1991 paper, went on to show that only one kind of receptor appears on each of the 5 million or so odor-sensing nerve cells in the nose, which was a surprise. They also showed how these nerve cells are wired into the brain.

The Nobel assembly said that it is still unclear what the medical and scientific implications of the discoveries will be, but that the work could affect areas as diverse as psychology — to explain why scents often remind us of childhood — and cooking, since scent and taste are intertwined.

"It's possible, I guess, that someone down the road could use this knowledge to cook up something really delicious," Hansson said. "But I think that's pretty far in the future."

Last year's medicine prize winners were Briton Sir Peter Mansfield and American Paul C. Lauterbur for discoveries that led to the development of MRI, now widely used by doctors to get a detailed, 3-D look into their patients' bodies.

The award for medicine opens a week of Nobel Prizes that culminates Oct. 11 with the economics prize. The peace prize, the only one bestowed in Norway, will be announced Oct. 8. The physics award will be announced Tuesday and the chemistry prize will be announced Wednesday in the Swedish capital.

A date for the Nobel Prize in literature has not yet been set by the Swedish Academy, but is likely to fall on Thursday, Nobel watchers said.

SpaceShipOne wins \$10 million



SpaceShipOne and X Prize team members pose with a U.S. flag carried aboard the spacecraft after its successful flight into space and landing at Mojave, Calif., Airport, Oct. 4.

Associated Press

MOJAVE, Calif. — A stout, star-spangled rocket plane broke through the Earth's atmosphere to the edge of space Monday for the second time in five days, capturing a \$10 million prize aimed at opening the final frontier to tourists.

The privately built SpaceShipOne took off underneath the belly of a mother plane that carried it about nine miles over the Mojave Desert. From there, SpaceShipOne fired its engine and streaked skyward at about three times the speed of sound on a half-hour flight that took it more than 62 miles high, generally considered the point where space begins.

SpaceShipOne — with test pilot Brian Binnie at the controls —

then glided safely back to Earth.

"This is the true frontier of transportation," said Marion C. Blakey, head of the Federal Aviation Administration, who stood near the runway to watch the flight. "It feels a little bit like Kitty Hawk must have."

Binnie called it a "fantastic experience" — especially the sight of Earth from space. "There is darkness outside the windows," he said. "It's contrasted starkly by the bright pearl that is the greater California area, which is the view from up there."

The reward for the achievement is the \$10 million Ansari X Prize, created in 1996 to kick-start the development of privately built rocket ships that could make spaceflight available to the public.

To win the prize, a spacecraft capable of carrying three people had to make two flights to an altitude just over 62 miles within two weeks. The goal was to show that the rocket could go back and forth like a spaceliner.

About an hour after the spacecraft landed, X Prize founder Peter Diamandis said the altitude was official, and declared SpaceShipOne's team the winner.

X Prize chief judge Rick Searfoss said the spacecraft reached a height of 367,442 feet and speeds of Mach 3.09 during ascent and Mach 3.26 on the way down.

During the post-flight news conference, SpaceShipOne designer Burt Rutan took a few shots at the traditional aerospace community.



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CAMPAIGN NEWS

Bush says Kerry's stands are dangerous for global peace

CLIVE, Iowa — President Bush said Monday that rival John Kerry's foreign policy stands "are dangerous for world peace," leveling some of his harshest criticism of the campaign during a trip to an important battleground state. Bush also signed tax relief legislation for 94 million Americans and hit Kerry on that issue, too.

Labeling Kerry a tax-and-spend liberal, Bush told over a thousand campaign supporters, "I've lowered taxes and my opponent wants to raise taxes."

Re-fighting last week's TV debate on Iraq, in which polls suggest Bush lost ground to Kerry, the president said, "The policies of my opponent are dangerous for world peace. If they were implemented they would make this world not more peaceful but more dangerous."

The Kerry campaign answered back. "If George Bush thinks John Kerry's plans to strengthen the military, build alliances and implement the 9/11 Commission's intelligence reforms will make the world a more dangerous place, he's even more detached from reality than he demonstrated at the debate the other night."

Kerry promotes cell research

HAMPTON, N.H. — John Kerry on Monday accused President Bush of restricting potentially lifesaving stem cell research because of "extreme right-wing ideology" and underscored his own strong support for research that polls show has widespread backing.

The Democratic senator spoke in a high school gymnasium alongside actor Michael J. Fox, who has Parkinson's disease, and others who told emotional stories how disease have impacted their lives. They urged Kerry's election because of the stem cell issue.

"I will stop at nothing to get stem cell research moving forward in this country," Kerry said. He said Bush had dismissed the judgment of scientists who say embryonic stem cell research could eventually lead to disease cures.

"This underscores, in my judgment, the perils of having a president who turns his back on science in favor of ideology, and as a result, abandons millions of Americans' hopes," Kerry said.

While in Philadelphia, Kerry continued his effort to shore up black support by speaking to clergy from black churches from several states. He won applause when he told them, "If you make me president of the United States, I will do my best to even do better than Bill Clinton did to make sure the government of the United States looks like the face of America."

Three years ago, Bush limited federal funding of embryonic stem cell research to the 78 stem cell lines in existence.

Kerry called Bush's action "a far-reaching ban on federal funding for stem cell research," a statement the president's campaign said wasn't true.

Bush spokesman Steve Schmidt said Kerry was "trying to mislead the American people by implying a ban that doesn't exist."

Candidates woo the undecided

Bush, Kerry campaigns focus on the battleground state of Pennsylvania



PHOTOGRAPHER/The Observer

Senator John Kerry arrives to campaign in Pennsylvania, while President Bush travels to Iowa to attend rallies throughout the state on Monday.

Associated Press

HAVERTOWN, Pa. — Put Barbara White down as undecided in the race for the White House.

The economy makes me afraid of Bush, but I'm scared of Kerry because of security," she says, standing in the doorway of her home outside Philadelphia.

The mother of three sons and employed in her husband's business, the 44-year-old White says she sided with Democrat Al Gore four years ago. The vote she casts this year — in suburbs that the former vice president carried on his way to a statewide victory — will help determine whether Sen. John Kerry holds Pennsylvania or President Bush prevails this time.

Numerous polls point to a close finish, and in surveys taken before last week's debate, Bush is running better in the suburbs than four years ago. "That's because of the effective job Republicans did on national security and terrorism," Democratic Gov. Ed Rendell said recently.

The votes of women like White aren't all that matter in the nation's sixth most populous state — a land of 21 electoral votes, tight polls,

frequent visits by both candidates, nonstop television ads and an army of organizers, paid and volunteer.

Republicans hunt new voters statewide in Bush's conservative, churchgoing base, and one poll underscores the reason. Nearly one-quarter of his supporters listed family and moral issues as uppermost in their minds.

Democrats hope to strengthen their margins in Philadelphia. John Street, the city's black mayor, won a new term last year after the independent group America Coming Together, or ACT, helped register more than 80,000 new voters in a rehearsal for the presidential campaign.

Republicans look to whittle their customary deficits around Pittsburgh, where suburban shopping malls sit on land once occupied by steel mills.

Democrats aim to build on Gore's heavy vote totals around Wilkes-Barre and Scranton — hoping that job losses rather than anti-abortion sentiment will determine voting patterns.

Republicans talk of stressing a need to limit malpractice awards in southeastern Pennsylvania, citing reports of physicians are leaving the

area because of a plague of baseless lawsuits.

Rendell and others say Kerry's support for abortion rights, a ban on certain semiautomatic weapons and expanded federal support for stem cell research can appeal to moderate women in the Philadelphia suburbs.

Throughout the state, an organizational war has raged for months, and limited evidence suggests an advantage for Bush's campaign.

In one recent ABC poll of Pennsylvania voters, 21 percent reported having been contacted in person or by phone by the president's campaign. Only 14 percent said they had heard from Kerry's.

"I was told to build the largest grass-roots campaign in the history of Pennsylvania politics," said Guy Ciarrocchi, executive director of the state Bush-Cheney campaign. Asked how he has made out, he straightened a few of the neatly arranged small stacks of papers on his desk.

"Every precinct in Pennsylvania has someone who is responsible for it," Ciarrocchi said. All 9,530 of them.

"Everyone has a theory" to

overcome Bush's 200,000 vote deficit of four years ago, concentrating on one group or another, he said.

Democrats say that in fact, Bush's strategy is simple.

"Republicans are trying to register every living Christian," said Tony Podesta, who ran President Clinton's Pennsylvania campaign in 1996 and is back for Kerry this year.

Unlike Bush, Kerry is relying to a large extent on ACT and other anti-Bush allies to do the labor-intensive organizational work.

"The Kerry campaign has probably been less focused on that end of it and more focused on the day-to-day operations of running a campaign operation in a battleground state," said state Democratic chairman T.J. Rooney.

ACT says it has helped add 130,000 voters to the rolls, not counting tens of thousands from last year's Philadelphia mayoral election, and plan to have 12,000 paid workers on the street election day.

ACT claims about 80 paid employees in the state and several offices, including one in the basement of a Friends Meeting House in the Philadelphia suburbs.

ELECTION QUICK HITS

◆ The truth on 'town hall' events

WASHINGTON — President Bush and Sen. John Kerry talk often about the needs and ambitions of ordinary people, but neither encounters many along a campaign trail defined by the exquisitely stage-managed photo op and fortified by Secret Service agents.

Despite almost daily campaign events styled as "town hall" sessions with voters, such as the candidates held Monday, neither the Republican incumbent nor the Democratic challenger has much recent experience with the relatively unscripted town-hall format of their next debate on Friday.

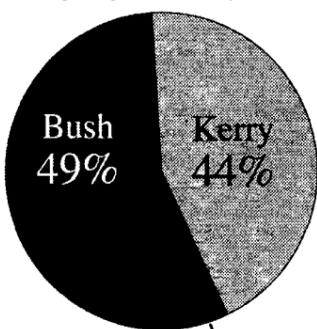
What the campaigns call town-hall events, or informal, shirt-sleeve bull sessions, are really almost as staged as traditional speeches or whoop-and-holler rallies.

The crowds almost always range from friendly to adoring. Bush events are ticket-only, and the tickets are usually passed out by the Bush campaign or other supporters. Kerry sometimes uses tickets, sometimes not. Still, supporters seem to easily outnumber undecided voters or opponents at Kerry town-hall sessions.

For both, the questions are almost always softballs.

◆ Bush leads polls

Although many consider Sen. John Kerry the victor in the first debate, President Bush still holds a slight edge in the latest poll.



SOURCE: AP, Pew Research Center

◆ Battling in Ohio

CLEVELAND — In the key presidential battleground of Ohio, the candidates proved during the weekend they won't take the state's traditional Democratic strongholds for granted.

Within 72 hours of their first debate, President Bush and Democratic challenger John Kerry sought to energize support in northeast Ohio. The only vice presidential debate between Dick Cheney and John Edwards is Tuesday night at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland.

Bush attended a campaign rally in Cuyahoga Falls on Saturday. Kerry conducted a talk show-style meeting in Austintown Fitch High School's gym on Sunday before going to a black church in Cleveland, where three local pastors and the Rev. Jesse Jackson helped fire up the congregation.

No Republican has won the presidency without Ohio. With 20 electoral votes at stake, both sides have been campaigning in Ohio for more than a year. There have been near-weekly visits and both have thousands of volunteers covering the state.

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Stop, you're making me blush

While Thursday's presidential debate was marked by the candidates' strong differences on multiple foreign policy issues, it also recorded one of the increasingly rare occasions on which Sen. John Kerry and President George W. Bush, both behaving with grace, chose to acknowledge anything positive about the other.

Although introducing criticism, Kerry stated, "I believe President Bush and I both love our country equally." Likewise, Bush said, "I admire Senator Kerry's service to our country. I admire the fact that he is a great dad." Were these the same candidates we've seen throughout the past few months?

Regardless of whether Kerry felt like snapping, "Wipe that smirk off your face, you hunchbacked turtle," or if Bush would really like to have said, "At least you've lost the self tanner, pretty boy," such personal attacks were not a part of the first debate. While the idea of either Kerry or Bush elucidating such comments on national television may be laughable, in light of the vitriol spawned throughout the campaign season practically anything seems possible.

Luckily, in this election, very personal character attacks have not been as prevalent as in years past. Now perhaps the relative absence of former President Bill Clinton's raging libido from the forefront of national affairs (pun intended) has simply created a dearth of material for the scandalmongers.

Both candidates, however, have released a plethora of negative ads about their opponent. Usually early in the race, candidates focus more on positive advertising and their own strengths. Not so in this election — by the beginning of June, approximately 75 percent of Bush's advertising was negative. In contrast, around 26 percent of Kerry's ads were negative.

Moreover, many of both candidates' ads are extremely 'misleading,' although I prefer to describe them as downright false. On the Bush side, for example, the campaign has stated that Kerry intends to repeal most of Bush's tax cuts within his first 100 days in office. In fact, Kerry only supports repealing cuts for those making

an excess of \$200,000.

According to The Washington Post on May 30, Bush has outdistanced Kerry in such untrue ads, mainly because the Kerry campaign has been more cautious after Al Gore's troubles in 2000. While exaggeration appears to be an inherent part of politics and most presidential candidates have engaged in this type of advertising, this year's duo appear to be outdoing their predecessors.

Both candidates should be lauded for their relative restraint in the area of personal attacks, excluding rather poor behavior on the part of both the Kerry and Bush camps regarding the opponent's military service. I would rather, however, that Kerry and Bush call each other names and pelt each other with tomatoes, exuding all the gusto of seniors with marshmallows at a Notre Dame home game, than view the ridiculous number of blatant lies in their advertising.

Some of the attacks simply have to be given props for creativity. At Bush rallies, volunteers have dressed as Flipper the dolphin, attempting to reinforce claims that Kerry wavers on key issues. Unfortunately, however, Bush makes many false claims in order to demonstrate this alleged aspect of Kerry's character.

In particular, the Bush campaign enjoys bringing up Kerry's quote, "I actually did vote for the \$87 billion before I voted against it," giving the false impression that Kerry would have intentionally blocked the funds from going toward Iraq, when in fact he voted against the bill only after the source from which the money would come was changed. Kerry also has always maintained that were his vote critical to the bill's passage, he would have voted for

it in order to support our troops.

Just last week, Bush released an ad accusing Kerry of "seek[ing] permission of foreign government before protecting America." Kerry responded, saying the president was lying. It is unfortunate that presidential campaigns are so bogged in negativity; this aspect of the electoral process has merely served to emphasize the "lesser of two evils" view many are taking of the election.

Obviously the candidates should be allowed to criticize each other throughout the presidential race. No one is asking them to run a campaign using Barney's theme song. When this criticism overwhelms their own message, however, it loses its effect and increases the apathy of the general electorate.

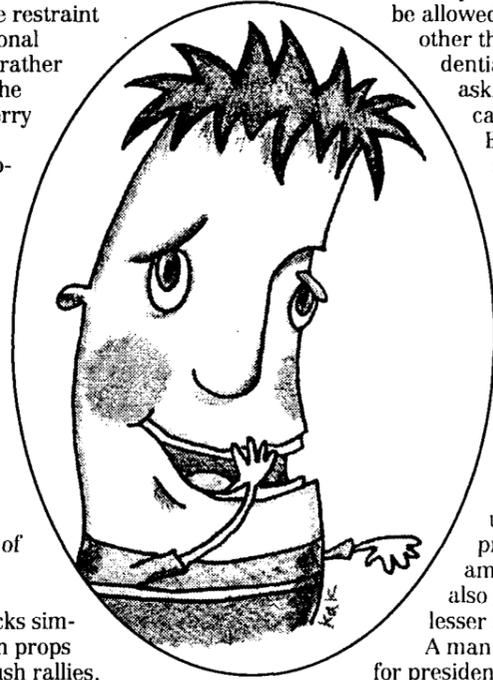
In addition, the lies inherent in recent campaign advertising, particularly that of Bush, promotes cynicism among voters. Kerry is also guilty, albeit to a lesser degree.

A man or woman running for president has a responsibility to the general public not to promote such libel. I question whether a person who does advance lies about another candidate even deserves to hold our nation's highest office.

So, in keeping with the negativity of the general election and the candidates' own themes: vote for the lesser of two evils. Vote for Kerry.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Don't let hate influence votes

A common response when someone is asked why they are voting for Sen. John Kerry is often "because I hate Bush." The Democrat bitterness of losing last election is in full force as this election draws nearer. And frankly, as a Republican, it's a little scary. Being Republican and a supporter of Bush, I have been the recipient of more than a few glares simply because I am associated with "him."

Hatred frequently distorts a person's outlook and blurs actualities. I am afraid that this is happening to a segment of the Democratic Party. Facts are disregarded simply because the hate is so strong. But, is it ever a good reason to do something out of hate? My response would be Hitler. Enough said. I also find myself wondering how many have actually asked themselves if Kerry is really suited for presidency, or if this thought is discarded along with the rest in the hostile Bush bash.

Kerry's political ideology is often unclear and in a flux. In fact, I think his shining reviews from the debate stemmed from

the fact that he was actually able to flip and not flop on some issues for a full ninety minutes. Impressive. But these evident flaws do not seem to matter. They don't matter for a lot of people, because he is not Bush, and that makes it all okay.

Bush seems to be associated with death, and the only way to avoid death is to vote. Vote, vote, vote. It doesn't matter who (although preferably Kerry), as long as it isn't "him." Voting is a right, and more people should vote, but with every right comes a responsibility. A responsibility to know what is at stake and what is going on beyond a superficial level. Michael Moore's movie doesn't count. I only hope that the ramifications of this hate and ignorance are not too severe, especially after Nov. 2.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"You grow up the day you have your first real laugh at yourself."

Ethel Barrymore

Tradition-not: the Vice Presidential debates

We have become so accustomed to watching presidential debates every two years that it may be hard to believe that, for most of American history, they didn't exist. In the 19th century, politicians considered it undignified to campaign openly for public office, and instead sent surrogates to present their views to the public. The famous Abraham Lincoln-Stephen Douglas debates that launched Lincoln's career took place during the 1858 Illinois Senate race, not during a presidential election. In the 20th century, no debates occurred until the 1948 and 1956 elections, and they involved candidates in the Republican and Democratic primaries, not each party's final nominees. Not until 1960, with the famous John F. Kennedy-Richard Nixon debates, could Americans watch the parties' formal nominees argue their positions. Everyone knows that the Kennedy-Nixon match-up was the first presidential debate to be televised, but they were also in fact, the first presidential debates in U.S. history.

And they did not establish a trend. The two parties' nominees wouldn't debate again for another sixteen years, in part because of Nixon's experiences in the 1960 encounter. It wasn't until 1976, when Gerald Ford met Jimmy Carter in an exchange that also involved an infamous remark about Poland that presidential debates reappeared in the election cycle. Since then they've become an accepted part of the political process, though candidates renegotiate the terms each time. What we think of as an integral part of our democratic process, then, has a tradition going back about forty years, and not even continuously at

that. The "tradition" of vice presidential debates is even less firmly rooted. The first encounter between the parties' nominees for this position also occurred in 1976, when Democrat Walter Mondale debated Republican Robert Dole. There were no vice presidential debates in 1980, but they reappeared in 1984, when George H.W. Bush debated Geraldine Ferraro in an encounter that was equally memorable for breaking gender barriers. This tradition of vice presidential debates has existed continuously for only twenty years — the age of many Notre Dame students.

Why should we care about the vice presidential debates? We don't elect vice-presidents directly, after all; they are attached to the ticket and we don't have the opportunity to deselect them. Of course, if the president dies in office, they become our next leader, so it's useful to have a sense of their personalities and beliefs. Ronald Reagan was 73 years old in 1984, so voters may have had a more pressing interest in knowing who could replace him,

but age is not an issue in this campaign. Vice presidents also attract experience because of the extra experience and perspective they add to a ticket. During the 2000 election, George W. Bush presented Dick Cheney as a man whose long experience in government — including a stint as White House Chief of Staff under Ford and Secretary of Defense in his father's cabinet — would add heft to his administration. Sen. John Kerry chose Sen. John Edwards for similar reasons of balance: to widen his appeal to various demographic groups. Both Kerry and George W. Bush acknowledge that one person can't do everything and that the vice-president extends and enhances the range of skills a president can offer.

The role of vice president is one that is still being defined. Vice presidents can say things the president can't, such as when Cheney implied that a vote for Kerry could trigger another terrorist attack. Vice presidents can be warmer, more in touch with the public, a function that Edwards seems to fulfill for Kerry. They can extend a candidate's political

base, as Lyndon Johnson did for Kennedy by appealing to Southern voters. Kennedy nearly lost his party's nomination because of his support for civil rights, but appointing the Texan Johnson appealed the Democrat's southern base. They can reassure particular segments of the party that the President shares its views, while he strives to appear more moderate, as Cheney does in speaking to evangelical groups.

The debate tonight between Cheney and Edwards brings together two men of established rhetorical skills and very different political personas. Edwards, the man who worked his way up the socio-economic ladder and earned his political reputation and millions of dollars as a trial lawyer, vs. Cheney, the consummate government administrator and master of innuendo and suggestion. In contrast to the uneven rhetorical display of last week's presidential debate, this one promises to be a more equal match of communication skills. Will they move us through emotion, or will they with logic? Will one man lose his temper and reveal a hidden side, or will each remain in command of himself and his words?

Whatever the outcome, we can take pride in knowing that we are helping to continue what is still a relatively new "tradition" in American politics.

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Seeing beyond the 'spin'

It truly is a shame when a decision comes down to Sen. John Kerry wind-surfing across your television screen, or Michael Moore's depictions of President George W. Bush. I even have this great picture of Kerry dropping a football like a girl, but we won't go there today. Negative campaign ads are wrong and I think

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Katie and I agree with that. Scaring old people into saying Republicans will throw away their Social Security, or scaring others into thinking Kerry will hand the country over to the terrorists are simply not true assertions.

Assuming we all agree these attack ads are wrong, which I think we do, who can undecided voters trust to give them unbiased information? Instead of dribbling on about how sad politics have become, I'd like to tell you what you should do to find unbiased information.

Today's column was a great opportunity for me to take a step back and put myself in the shoes of the undecided voter. First of all I'll turn off my daily dose of Fox News, CNN and the Internet wires I receive from various Washington think tanks. All of these are interested sources that have some sort of agenda behind them, regardless of whether or not it conforms to your viewpoint. Political parties, think tanks, 527's and media outlets are all biased. Money, ratings and power plays are what drive any of the organizations involved in the election.

With that being said, I'll share an experience I had with a great professor during the Washington Semester Program for our Lobbying and Influence Group class. Professor Steve

Billet was a former lobbyist for AT&T and director of external programs for the George Washington University School of Political Management. The class taught us a great deal about how things really work in Washington, straight from the mouth of a "no-bull old school Southern Democrat" who wanted to shoot straight with us to teach us a few things about politics.

The class was on lobbying, which is actually quite useful in understanding the electoral rhetoric, because in effect both candidates are lobbying for your vote. Busy person that you are, you cannot sit down and read the Patriot Act, the Sept. 11 report and "Plan of Attack" by Bob Woodward to inform your vote. Since both parties know this, the most effective tool to mobilize your support is fear. Hence the slogans "Help is on the Way," "Keeping America Safe" or, my personal favorite, "Vote or Die." When push comes to shove, lobbyists use this force in the opposite direction to influence legislation. If factory A in district B closes because of policy C, then that will be costing a congressman possible votes and campaign money in elections.

Staying fair to the reality of the profession, personal relationships are much more effective for lobbyists, but push comes to shove scenarios can begin to resemble the viciousness of the close election we now face. Our last class project was to do a paper on an interest group that lobbies or spends money promoting an agenda in Washington. We were each assigned to do interviews with the various organizations. For larger more impersonal organizations above and beyond the effectiveness of personal interviews, the most effective tool in determining the

motives of these organizations in Washington was tracking their contributors. This was possible through a handy Web sites like www.opensecrets.org or www.fec.gov.

Federal election laws have become very strict as far as reporting the sources of campaign funds. Along with the tool of the Internet, the average voter has an amazing tool to sidetrack the rhetoric of both sides. These are tools that never would have been accessible to the general voter as recently as the early nineties.

If you haven't made up your mind yet, please don't do it based on something you see on TV. You can use the Internet to do your homework on the 527's behind the vicious ads and who is behind them. At the same time, you can get a picture of what key industries support each candidate. Usually money is a more trustworthy measure of human intentions than word alone. You even can do fun things like see how much money Alec Baldwin or Tom Hanks gave to Kerry/Edwards 2004. If our class could determine the true intentions of complex Washington advocacy organizations by following the money trail, average Internet-savvy Notre Dame students should be able to see the interests of each party. If you can't do all that, you can read Katie and me battle out the issues every Tuesday until Election Day.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Heckling is to be expected

Section T22, Row 1, Seat 9. That's where I'll be at the USC football game Nov. 27. And guess where that is? It's the front row of the USC senior student section. And boy do I plan to get pummeled. Even females are not spared when seated in the student section at an opposing team's stadium. However, I was not and will never be "outclassed." Call me a football martyr, but there is a certain amount of abuse to be suffered, and dare I say expected, when attending an away game in a bright green shirt in the opposing side's most hostile section. I learned this well, as many fans came back from Purdue's game last year with bruises from, you guessed it, beer cans. I will be grateful to only receive a baptism via Coke at the USC game.

A certain amount of common sense is necessary to survive a game in the enemy territory unharmed and those who are not afforded it get sucked into the karmic circle. Though a few students at Notre Dame may have sunk to the level of offending or even harming Purdue students at this weekend's game, I can assure everyone that it is not near the torture we suffer when traveling to other stadiums. To generalize Notre Dame by the actions of one hard guy is unfair. Furthermore, to say that other schools potentially outclass Notre Dame is unfounded. There is a certain amount of containment that goes with traveling that is sensible and polite. I'm sure USC will not want to hear me chanting "We are ND" as the number one football team in the nation faces being number two yet again.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Acting, script disappoint in fiery drama

By BECCA SAUNDERS
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There used to be a time when one could expect, with a fair amount of certainty, that a film starring John Travolta would be of some merit. That time has come to an end. "Ladder 49" is a paradigm of what actors do to pay the bills. Although the film is touching at times, it is generally cheesy and overacted.

"Ladder 49" is the tale of Jack Morrison (Joaquin Phoenix), a fireman who works under his chief (Travolta). The film begins with Morrison saving a man in a burning building, where he then gets injured and lies on the ground in the midst of the burning building, flashing back through his life as a fireman, a husband, and a father. The story is generally predictable, but is moving at some points.

The dissertations on "what it takes to be the one running into a burning building when everyone else is running out" are emotionally moving, but generally cliché. The flashbacks touch on deaths and injuries of Morrison's fellow firefighters as well as the relationships he developed with them.

The acting in the film, for the most part, is not very strong. While Travolta delivers a strong and moving performance as the wise, loyal and dedicated fire chief, the rest of the acting is not remarkable. Phoenix's acting is unimpressive and simply cheesy, not that he had incredibly original lines to say in the first place. He is big and loveable, and does convey some of the difficulty of doing a job that places one in so much danger everyday, but his overall character seems very cliché. The rest of the ensemble of firefighters and Morrison's wife and children are neither noticeably bad nor good. The script plays out much as one would expect it would and the actors don't do a great deal to enhance what is a generally mundane script.

Ladder 49



Director: Jay Russell
Writer: Lewis Colick
Starring: Joaquin Phoenix, John Travolta, Robert Patrick and Morris Chestnut

Redemption does occur throughout the movie in one form — the portrayal of the lives and losses in a firefighter's line of duty. There are many dialogues about the importance of saving lives and there is no question that the actors do a good job portraying the bravery of real, courageous firefighters who fight to save lives everyday. Even the biggest skeptic cannot help but feel his or her throat tighten as friends in the fire



Fireman Jack Morrison (Joaquin Phoenix) battles a terrifying apartment blaze in an effort to save a young girl in the new drama, "Ladder 49."

department die and are injured. "Ladder 49" is not an enjoyable film. However, it will be seen by many and has received good reviews. Behind the cheesy lines and cliché characters, there are real men, women and their families who are heroic in their everyday life. "Ladder 49" pays tribute to this fact throughout showing the truly accurate life of a fireman, his family and his friends. Brilliant screenwriting or directing are not the aspects that

makes this film moving — it is the true story that the makers already had to work with, taken directly from the lives of real heroes who live in our midst. "Ladder 49" would be nothing without the story provided of the brave firefighters working everyday that pulls on the heartstrings and the tear ducts of all members of the audience.

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DVD REVIEW

Humor shines in scheming high school antics

By EMILY IAROCCI
Scene Critic

The Saturday Night Live cast members and alums have done it again — "Mean Girls" is hysterical.

When the previews first came out for the movie, it appeared to be another typical teenage movie full of mindless humor, but upon actually watching it, one comes to find that the humor is more carefully crafted in this film. Tina Fey, a current member of the SNL cast and the show's head writer, takes full writing credits for the screenplay. Those who have watched her on SNL are familiar with her witty, sarcastic humor. She employs her particular breed of humor in the screenplay, and manages to turn a possible dud of a movie, into a very enjoyable film. Fey did have some help, however, from her fellow cast members, such as Lindsay Lohan, Rachel McAdams (new, young it girls of Hollywood), Tim Meadows, Ana Gasteyer, Amy Poehler (two SNL alums and a current cast member), and Lacey Chabert (of "Party of Five" fame).

"Mean Girls" is about the stereotypi-

cal "popular girls" in high school. Cady Heron (Lohan) is a junior who has spent most of her life in Africa with her zoologist parents. She has been homeschooled up until this point in her life, when she is finally thrust into a public high school. Cady has no idea what she is up against. In the simplest of terms, high school girls, are mean. Boys have no idea what it is like to be a girl in middle school and high school. Everything is a competition, and for some reason, the cool girls, are generally the meanest girls in school. Cady is clueless because she has never had to interact with kids her own age in social situations.

On her second day of school she has an encounter with the "Plastics," the cool girls at North Shore High. They decide that she is pretty enough to hang out with them and invites her to be their friend. The other kids Cady has already befriended, Janis and Damian, the art freaks, convince her to hang out with the "Plastics" just so they can hear about all the awful things the girls say and do. Eventually, Regina (McAdams), the head of the "Plastics" crosses Cady by stealing the boy she has a crush on. Then Cady, Janis, and Damian decide to try and ruin Regina's popularity, which in high school is life.

The rest of the film depicts all the scheming Cady, Janis and Damian do to bring Regina to her demise. Watch the movie if you want to know the rest, it is well worth it.



Karen (Amanda Seyfried), Regina (Rachel McAdams) and Gretchen (Lacey Chabert) isolate new girl Cady (Lindsay Lohan) during lunchtime.

The DVD from Paramount Pictures is fully loaded with special features. There is a large section of commentary from the cast and crewmembers, which includes scenes from the movie. Another part of the commentary presented is an interview with Rosalind Wiseman, the author of "Queen Bees & Wannabes," the book on which the movie is based. Wiseman's book is actually more psychologically driven and was written in order to advise parents and girls how to survive adolescence. The DVD also includes an interview with the costume designer, who

describes how she put together the outfits for the characters, and explains how vision and grasp of characterization is necessary to do a good job costuming the cast. The standard DVD special features such as outtakes, deleted scenes, and trailers are included. The outtakes and deleted scenes are hilarious, as they should be, since the movie is so funny.

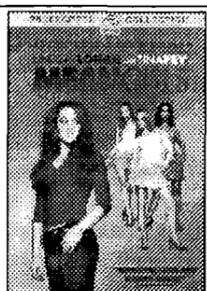
All in all, this DVD is fantastic and well worth the purchase, or rental.

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Ladder 49

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DVD REVIEWS

Lucas' other sci-fi classic soars in re-release

By MARTY SCHROEDER
Scene Critic

When released in 1971, "THX 1138" was light-years ahead of any film of its time. It came during a period when the old studio system of Hollywood was failing and the new generation of young, adventurous filmmakers was taking over. Names like Scorsese, Coppola, Spielberg and Lucas were just beginning to be passed around in film circles and it was this film, the first to come out of Francis Ford Coppola's production company American Zoetrope, that put these new filmmakers on the map.

Directed by George Lucas and produced Francis Ford Coppola, this tale follows a man living in a future that has outlawed emotion, sex, and even love. Robert Duvall plays the character named THX 1138, a factory worker who makes the robotic policeman that oversee the futuristic society of the film. His living partner, LUH 3417 (Maggie McOmie), alters his drug regimen and THX 1138 begins to feel emotion. Eventually he and LUH 3417, who fall in love, plot an escape which suffers through many hardships as they fight the "Big Brother" that is present everywhere in the guise of the mechanical policemen and cameras that patrol

every level of society. THX 1138 becomes more and more resolved in escape throughout the film, meeting the outcasts of society as he is thrown into a permanent hold for the people who choose not to conform to the standards that "Big Brother" has set out. He is attacked by the animals outside of the antiseptically clean city as he escapes and entangles himself in a very suspenseful car chase.

The story of this film is but the visuals are where this film stands out. The design of this film is Lucas at his best. The futuristic city is devoid of color as are the ubiquitous white jumpsuits that the citizens wear. At times this creates the very unusual effect of floating heads as the white uniforms blend in with the white walls of the city. The police are mechanical but they possess a human quality that is very unnerving. These robots also possess a single-mindedness making them the perfect law enforcement as they will follow their orders out without question. This film is also almost completely devoid of African American characters. There are a few but for the most part Lucas's futuristic society contains only Caucasians. This choice in casting compounds on the oneness and lack of individuality of the society presented.

This DVD was released as a special edition director's cut including two discs. The first disc contains the original feature film released in 1971 with some additional footage that Lucas was unable to place in the film due to the restraints of special effects in 1971. The feature film is presented in the original widescreen 2.35:1 ratio, keeping what Lucas intended for his audi-

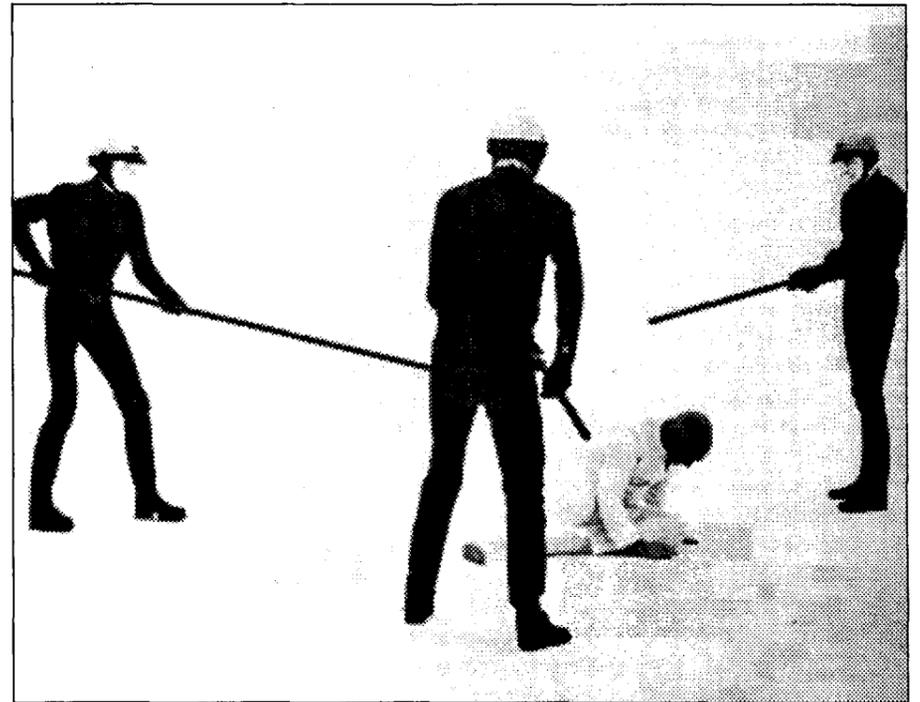


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THX 1138 (Robert Duvall), a factory worker who makes robotic policeman, becomes a victim to police brutality in the cold, harsh world of "THX 1138."

ences to see. The second disc contains two documentaries, Lucas's student film "Electronic Labyrinth: THX 1138 4EB" (of which THX 1138 is based on), and the original theatrical trailers for "THX 1138." The most fascinating part of the extras comes in the documentary, "A Legacy of Filmmakers: The Early Years of American Zoetrope." This documentary recounts the actions of a group of upstart film students who graduated in the late 1960's. It explains how Coppola, Lucas, Martin Scorsese and others rebelled against the old guard of studio filmmakers and how they changed the face of American

cinema.

This is an excellent film that received very little attention at its original release. It is a blessing to generations that Lucas decided to release it in the way they he wanted to release it.

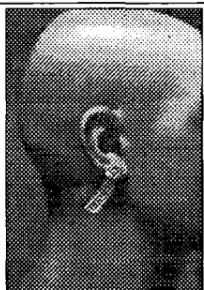
This film pushed audiences to the limits and was the first film to be released by American Zoetrope. The legacy of a few, brilliant, and upstart filmmakers will forever be immortalized in this release.

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THX 1138

Director's Cut

Warner Home Video



Cast charms in winning family comedy

By COURTNEY WILSON
Scene Critic

Ben Affleck and Jennifer Lopez reunite on the big screen in "Jersey Girl." The reunion of the couple is not as painful as you might expect. In fact, their collaboration is reasonably brief.

Lopez and Affleck play Gertrude and Ollie, eager newlyweds. Tragedy takes the place of elation when Gertrude (Lopez) dies during the birth of their much anticipated baby girl, Gertie. Ollie (Affleck), an obsessively, career driven music publicist, is put in the tight predicament of caring for his newborn and executing his high powered, high profile job all at once.

An off-the-cuff remark made about his client, Will Smith, "the Fresh Prince" at a hectic press conference leaves him jobless, and on his way back to the New Jersey suburbs. Ollie vows, then, to ded-

icate his life entirely to his infant daughter.

Seven years later, and Ollie is still living in Highlands, N.J. with his Pop (George Carlin), and young daughter Gertie (Raquel Castro). Reduced to working as a blue-collar street worker, the dream of returning to his former life complete with parties, celebrities and influence never escapes him. Once again, he is forced to face the decision of moving back to the city to recover his broken career, or remain in the family oriented life style he has been living.

Maya (Liv Tyler) is the amusingly honest, would be girlfriend of Ollie. She forces Ollie to realize all that he underestimates in his life. Together, the actors do a great job at emphasizing the movie's heartfelt theme of acceptance and appreciation of the priorities in life. Even though Ollie is emotionally pressured into sacrificing his entertainment dream job, his dedication to his family leaves him with greater reward in the end.

Jersey Girl provides the perfect amount of emotionally triggering content combined with an entertaining dose of comedic reality. Director Kevin Smith is best known for his command on the popular blockbuster "Clerks." Smith's reputation for his forth-



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Father and daughter Ollie (Ben Affleck) and Gertie (Raquel Castro) bond at the dinner table in director Kevin Smith's family comedy, "Jersey Girl."

right humor shines throughout the movie. In fact, a few quick-witted random comments throughout the movie, border questioning on whether or not the movie is ideal for family viewing.

Movie viewers will be impressed with the acting ability of young Raquel Castro. She plays the role of Ollie's adorably precocious daughter, Gertie, and steals the show with her undeniable

adeptness at the role. This movie is definitely one which will exceed expectations.

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Jersey Girl

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MLB

Blue Jays offer interim manager Gibbons one year deal

Associated Press

TORONTO — John Gibbons is getting one chance to return the Toronto Blue Jays around, and he's happy to have it.

Gibbons was given a one-year contract Monday to return as manager after guiding the last-place Blue Jays to a 20-30 record during the final eight weeks of the season.

"I haven't accomplished anything at this level. It gives me an opportunity. There was no way I was going to do turn it down," Gibbons said. "Everybody likes security, but you know what? They thought enough of me, to at least give me a year to try it, it says a lot."

Gibbons took over as interim

manager on Aug. 8, when Carlos Tosca was fired after the team opened 47-64. General manager J.P. Ricciardi liked Gibbons' upbeat attitude and the way he handled the bullpen.

"We're just going to see. Hopefully, as things go forward we'll extend it," Ricciardi said, referring to Gibbons' contract.

The team also hired former Blue Jays catcher Ernie Whitt as bench coach Monday, and Brad Arnsberg was named pitching coach. Arnsberg was previously a pitching coach for the Florida Marlins and Montreal Expos.

Whitt, a fan favorite, has always wanted to be a major league manager, and he could take over the Blue Jays if

Gibbons' contract isn't extended.

"Does that threaten me? No, because I know what kind of guy he is. And if I do my job the right way then maybe this thing will continue," Gibbons said. "I'm just glad we got him because he's one of the all-time favorites here."

Toronto finished 67-94 this season, its most losses since 1980 (67-95). Ricciardi said it could take three years for the Blue Jays to become contenders.

"I don't think we'll be knocking on the door next year," said Ricciardi, in the third year of a five-year rebuilding plan. "We're going to build this through player development and scouting. It may take five

years, it may take seven years."

The 42-year-old Gibbons had been the Blue Jays' first-base coach since Tosca took over as Buck Martinez on June 3, 2002.

Gibbons, a former catcher who had 50 career at-bats in 18 games with the New York Mets in 1984, '86 and '87, spent seven seasons as a minor league manager with the Mets, working his way up to Triple-A Norfolk. He compiled a 482-420 record in the minors, then joined Toronto as its bullpen catcher in 2002.

One of his minor league teammates was Ricciardi, who is modeling the Blue Jays after his previous employer — the small-market Oakland Athletics.

The Blue Jays are expected to

lose slugger Carlos Delgado, who can become a free agent after the World Series. The A's lost stars such as Mark McGwire, Jason Giambi and Miguel Tejada in recent years.

Delgado, the franchise leader in home runs and RBIs, earned \$18.5 million this season.

"I don't even know if we can pay him money that's going to make him say, 'Hey geez, I really want to stay here,'" Ricciardi said.

Ricciardi might leave when his contract expires after the 2007 season.

"I didn't come looking for this job. They came and interviewed me for this job. The reason I took this job was the challenge in front of it," Ricciardi said.

NBA

Gary Payton reports to Celtics training camp

Associated Press

WALTHAM, Mass. — Gary Payton is running the show again after playing a supporting role in the Shaq and Kobe drama in Hollywood.

Any doubts that family concerns would keep the aggressive point guard from reporting to the Celtics vanished Monday when he showed up at training camp to prepare to lead Boston's new up-tempo game and teach his young teammates how to lead the offense.

"I know I'm going to have to take a couple of them under my wing to try to make them better basketball players," Payton said. "Hopefully, they can catch on really quick and we can get wins."

That's a change from his one season with the Los Angeles Lakers, where the offense revolved around Shaquille O'Neal, now with Miami, and Kobe Bryant, two stars with an uneasy relationship. So even when Payton did bring the ball up and pass it, he didn't get it back as much as he would have liked.

"Last year it was tough for him to get tired because of the

way they were playing. He was standing in the corner by himself without the ball a lot," said Celtics coach Doc Rivers, who noted the Lakers got away from Payton pushing the ball upcourt as the season progressed. "Gary's a guy that

likes to run the show and that's why we brought him in here."

Despite Payton's frustration with the Lakers' style, he exercised a \$5.4 million option with them for the coming season. He wasn't ecstatic about

leaving the West Coast, where his daughter is a high school student.

"There's always a lot of uncertainty when it's flipped on you like that," the 36-year-old Payton said. "I had a lot of family issues that I had to deal with, a lot of things that I had to work out first, and I don't know where everybody got that from because nobody heard me say that I wasn't coming."

Rivers said he always

expected Payton to report, but Danny Ainge, Boston's executive director of basketball operations, said he had some doubts. Ainge said he talked to Payton on Sunday for the first time since the trade was made on Aug. 6.

"I've known Gary for a long time and I knew that it would be a difficult decision for him," Ainge said. "So, yeah, there were some anxious moments."

But now Ainge has the "instigator" he thinks the Celtics need — a physical player who drives to the basket and plays scrappy defense. Payton also provides a third scoring option to go with Paul Pierce and Ricky Davis. Payton expressed no misgivings about joining a team that has won just three playoff series in 12 seasons and was swept by Indiana in the first round last season.

"This is a basketball type of city," he said.

Ainge, a pesky guard on Boston's championship teams in 1984 and 1986, thinks Payton will bring his own feistiness.

"We talk a lot about toughness. We talk a lot about insti-

gators, and Gary fits that criteria," Ainge said. "He's been there before. He knows how to win and I think he can be a good influence on our team."

Marcus Banks, who had a disappointing rookie season after being drafted in the first round last year, isn't likely to play as much now that Payton is in town.

"I'm a team player and whatever it takes for us to win a game, I'm all for it, no matter if I play or not," Banks said.

Payton was in the All-Star game in nine of his 14 seasons and has career averages of 18 points, 7.2 assists and 36.8 minutes per game. But last season, he averaged 14.6 points, 5.5 assists and 34.5 minutes. All were the lowest in 11 seasons.

He said he wasn't accustomed to the Lakers' offensive system after playing 12 full seasons in Seattle and 52 games there in his 13th before finishing the 2002-03 season with Milwaukee.

"Gary's a guy that likes to run the show and that's why we brought him here."

**Doc Rivers
Celtics Coach**

"I had a lot of family issues I had to deal with."

**Gary Payton
Celtics Guard**



Paul Pierce, right, loosens up new teammate Gary Payton before a photo shoot during training camp on Monday.

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Race

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23:58. Kaleb Van Ort finished 14th just one second behind Moore with a 23:59 and Sean O'Donnell finished in 20th with a 24:04.

"It was a very good performance," said Plane, referring to the team's play as a whole after Friday's finish.

The Irish only finished six

points behind Stanford. Rounding out the top 10 were Butler, Air Force, BYU, Florida State, Indiana, Miami of Ohio, Florida and UCLA.

"We weren't scared or giving any other teams a whole lot of extra credit, we just wanted to go out there and run our own race and get the job done," said Benninger. "We were just excited that we were able to execute the way that we did but we weren't really surprised by the result."

On the women's side, Molly Huddle finished in second place with a 16:31 and Kerry Meagher finished in 5th place with a 16:45.

"I don't think we were shocked that we were third," said women's head coach Tim Connelly. "[I knew] we were going to be a little short at 5, and we were, and that shows us where we are at right now."

Stephanie Madia was the last Irish runner to finish in the top 20, coming in with a 17:11,

which was good for 17th place.

Sunni Olding, a freshman runner who Connelly has praised all year, didn't run her best race, finishing in 31st place with a 17:30. Connelly attributed Olding's time to her being under the weather.

"I think we need to do a better job keeping [Olding] and [Madia] together, and that will happen," said Connelly.

The women's 127 points were a semi-distant third to Stanford's 34 points and Michigan's 87

points, however they were also very much in front of the teams finishing behind them.

Missouri finished fourth with 164 points. Rounding out the top 10 were Michigan State, William and Mary, UCLA, Butler, Florida State and Penn State.

Notre Dame will race next in the Pre-National Championship in Terre Haute, Ind. on Oct. 16th.

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CLUB SPORTS

Water polo loses to top teams, finishes strong

Special to The Observer

The No. 17 Notre Dame men's water polo club traveled to Miami of Ohio this past weekend to challenge a field featuring 10 of the top 20 nationally ranked teams. In the first two games on Saturday, the Irish fell to No. 16 Indiana 11-9 and then No. 3 Michigan 11-9 in similar fashion. The Irish came out slowly in each game, giving each opponent a four-goal lead at the end of the first quarter. The Irish climbed back into each contest and narrowly missed beating both teams. Leading the comebacks for Notre Dame were architecture graduate student Matt McNicholas and sophomore Steve Shephard, as each scored several goals.

Rebounding from their first two losses, the Irish closed out

the weekend with two strong wins. Ohio State fell first to the Irish, 6-3. Keeping in mind their previous losses due to poor starts, the Irish came out firing in the opening period against the Buckeyes. Leading the Irish offense once again were McNicholas and Shephard with additional help from senior Mike Grow and junior Greg Szewczyk. Stellar goalkeeping by junior Scott Tagwerker and tough defense by the Irish kept the Buckeyes in check. Notre Dame beat Ohio University 11-6 in the final game of the weekend. The high-powered Irish offense again got out to an early lead paced by goals from McNicholas, Shephard, Grow and Szewczyk. Additional scoring for the Irish came from sophomore John Kelly, senior Jack Spittler, and freshmen Zhan-Wei Khaw and Colin

Dunn. Pete Van Loon, Ryan Downey, Mike McKenna and Dusty Mennella shut down the Bobcat attack. The Irish head to Toledo, Ohio this weekend for the beginning of Great Lakes Conference play.

Equestrian

The Notre Dame equestrian club placed third at the St. Mary's of the Woods College Invitational this weekend, behind St. Mary's of the Woods and Purdue. Illinois, Indianapolis, Butler, Parkland, Ball State, IUPUI, Indiana, Taylor and Earlham completed the field. Julia Burke took first in open flat, with Liz Bell second, Katie Baron and Claire Freeman each fourth in separate classes and Kelsy Ostberg fifth. Freeman and Baron finished third and fifth in open fences, while Molly Schmiede, Caitlin Landuyt, and Andrea

Oliverio finished a strong first, second, fourth in intermediate fences for the Irish.

Mary Dorgant also claimed a first in novice fences, with teammate Brittany Gragg earning fifth. In three intermediate flat classes, Andrea Oliverio took second, Marina Cardona Maldonado and Landuyt fourth, Ana Richter fifth, and Schmiede sixth. Kristen LaSota and Gragg tied for fifth in novice flat, Anne Trout finished fifth in walk-trot, and in four advanced walk-trot-canter classes, Kay Booth claimed first, Laura Hale third, Heather LaDue fifth, and Lauren Croall sixth.

Field Hockey

Despite a superb game in goal by Leigh Madiera, Notre Dame's field hockey club fell to the host Cincinnati Centurions 1-0 Sunday. Madeira registered fifteen saves in the scoreless first

half before yielding a late goal in the half. Mary Davis and Katie Butler applied offensive pressure, but the second half attack was unable to crack the Cincy defense.

The Irish will host University of Buffalo, University of Chicago and Ohio State this Sunday at Riehle field.

Ultimate

Notre Dame's Ultimate club opened play at the Wisconsin Whitewater Invitational. Both the men's and women's squads took third in the event. In women's play, captain Meredith Shepard's squad relied heavily on a strong group of freshmen as the club won five of six contests, losing to Purdue in the semifinals of the sixteen team field. The men also dropped a semifinal match with Purdue to finish third in a 32 team field. The men's squad finished 3-3.

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AFC East

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
New England	3-0	1.000	27.0	17.6
NY Jets	3-0	1.000	27.3	20.3
Buffalo	0-3	.000	12.3	19.0
Miami	0-4	.000	10.6	21.0

AFC North

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Pittsburgh	3-1	.750	19.5	17.75
Baltimore	2-2	.500	19.9	21.6
Cleveland	2-2	.500	14.7	15.5
Cincinnati	1-3	.250	16.5	23.7

AFC South

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Indianapolis	3-1	.750	31.0	23
Jacksonville	3-1	.750	13.0	13
Houston	2-2	.500	22.5	23.2
Tennessee	1-3	.250	15.7	22.7

AFC West

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Denver	3-1	.750	19.7	14.25
Oakland	2-2	.500	22.2	21.75
San Diego	2-2	.500	26.5	23.5
Kansas City	1-3	.250	20.6	28.6

NFC East

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Philadelphia	4-0	1.000	26.7	13.7
NY Giants	3-1	.750	19.5	15.5
Dallas	2-1	.666	19	21.6
Washington	1-3	.250	15.2	17.0

NFC North

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Detroit	2-1	.666	20.3	20.6
Minnesota	2-1	.666	26.0	22.0
Chicago	1-3	.250	17.0	19.0
Green Bay	1-3	.250	18.0	23.5

NFC South

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Atlanta	4-0	1.000	22.0	12.2
New Orleans	2-2	.500	18.7	26.0
Carolina	1-2	.333	17.3	22.6
Tampa Bay	0-4	.000	12.2	18.0

NFC West

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Seattle	3-0	1.00	21.6	4.3
St. Louis	2-2	.500	20.7	21.5
Arizona	1-3	.250	14.7	14.0
San Fran.	0-4	.000	15.0	27.2

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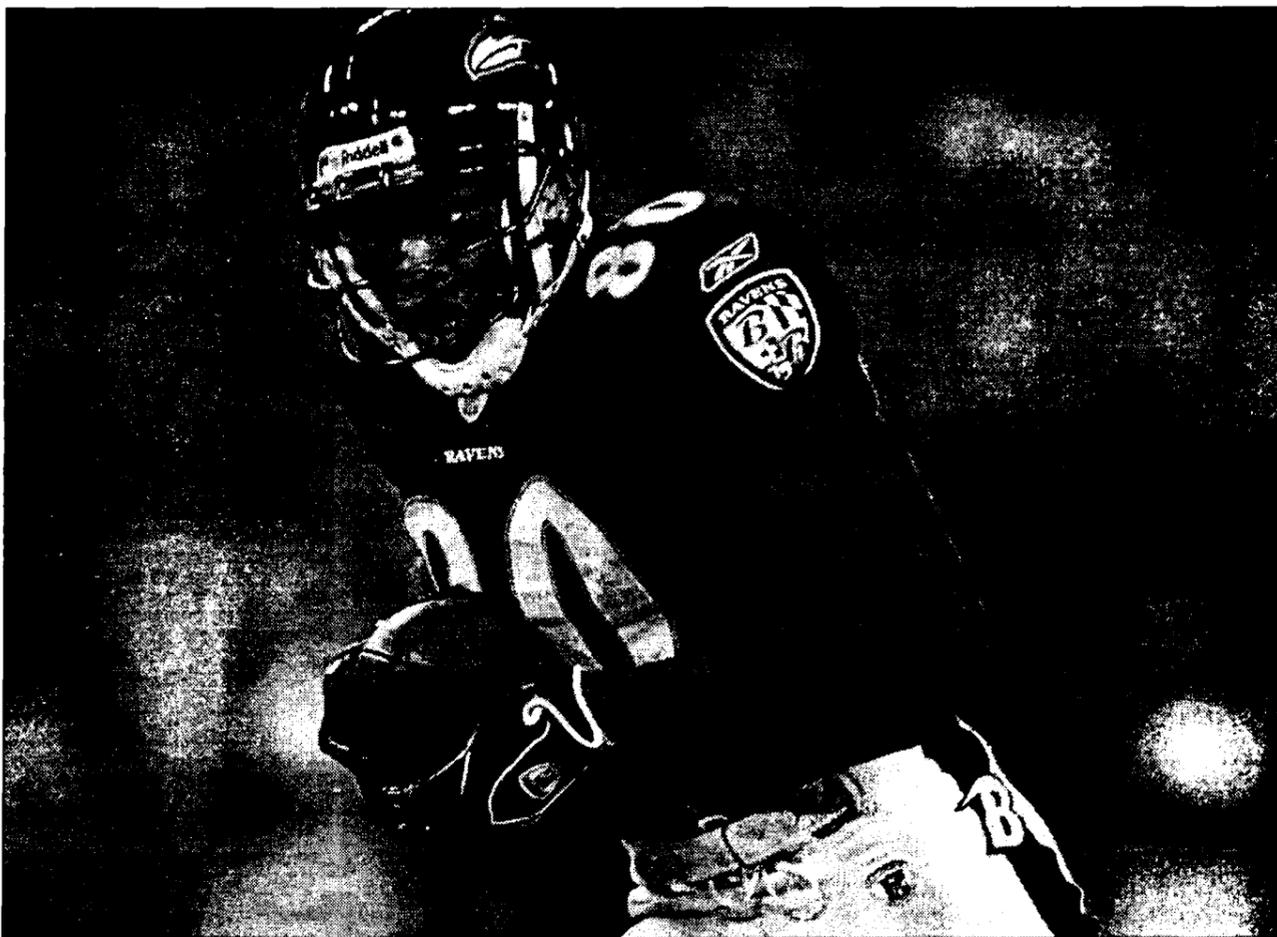
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6	Portland	10-2-0
7	Tennessee	7-2-2
8	Texas A&M	10-3-0
9	Duke	10-2-0
10	UCLA	7-3-0
11	Florida	8-3-0
12	Stanford	8-2-0
13	Kansas	11-2-0
14	Florida State	7-3-0
15	California	7-1-1
16	Princeton	7-1-0
17	Santa Clara	6-3-2
18	West Virginia	9-3-0
19	Illinois	10-2-0
20	Pepperdine	7-2-1
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BASEBALL PLAYOFFS

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NFL



Baltimore Ravens receiver Randy Hymes runs away from the Kansas City defense during the Ravens' 27-24 loss to the Chiefs Monday night. The win was Kansas City's first of the young season.

Chiefs beat Ravens for first win of season

Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Winless no more, the Kansas City Chiefs rendered the Baltimore Ravens defenseless with an almost unimaginable display of ball control and patience. Priest Holmes ran for 133 yards and two touchdowns, and the Chiefs wore down the highly touted Baltimore defense in a 27-24 victory Monday night.

Trent Green went 21-for-31 for 223 yards to help Kansas City (1-3) to its first win since Dec. 28. After going 13-3 a year ago, the Chiefs were off to their worst start since 1980.

Through three quarters, Kansas City had 22 first downs compared to four for the Ravens and a 361-126 advantage in yardage. A 1-yard touchdown run by Holmes on the first play of the fourth quarter put the Chiefs up 27-17, and that proved to be enough to end the Ravens' seven-game home winning streak.

Holmes, who played for Baltimore from 1997-2000, became the first player to run for 100 yards against the Ravens in 10 games. He carried 33 times, 22 in the first half.

After Baltimore (2-2) closed to 27-24 on a 1-yard touchdown run by Jamal

Lewis with 9:14 to go, the Chiefs methodically moved downfield in seven plays before a punt left the Ravens at their own 14 with 5:50 left.

Baltimore went nowhere, but got the ball back on its own 27 with 2:33 remaining.

The Ravens advanced to their own 40 before a fourth-down pass slipped off the fingers of wide receiver Kevin Johnson.

Lewis, the NFL rushing leader a year ago, was held to 73 yards on 15 carries. Kyle Boller went 10-for-17 for 154 yards.

Rookie B.J. Sams returned a punt 58 yards

for a touchdown and Boller threw a 57-yard touchdown pass on a flea-flicker, but the Ravens never took back the lead after going up 3-0.

Kansas City took a 20-17 lead on a 38-yard field goal by Lawrence Tynes with 8:19 left in the third quarter. Green extended the 11-play drive by avoiding a sure sack on third-and-10 and completing a 16-yard pass to Chris Horn.

The Ravens then ran four plays before punting, and the Chiefs responded with a workmanlike 13-play drive that resulted in Holmes' sixth touchdown of the season.

IN BRIEF

Mariners fire Melvin after 99-loss season

SEATTLE — Bob Melvin was fired as manager of the Seattle Mariners on Monday, a day after the team ended the season with its 99th loss. Melvin, who lasted two seasons, was told of the decision during a morning meeting at Safeco Field, and general manager Bill Bavasi called a news conference later in the day.

In May, the Mariners exercised the option on Melvin's contract for 2005 despite a 9-16 start. He led the team to a 93-69 record in 2003 after Lou Piniella left for Tampa Bay. The Mariners left spring training expecting to contend for a playoff spot. Instead, they finished 63-99 and barely avoided their first 100-loss season since 1983.

"What can you do? Anytime a team struggles the way we have this year, you have to make some changes somewhere," Melvin said Sunday. "I'll just play it a day at a time. If I'm here, I'm here. It would be great."

Melvin was not immediately available for comment Monday.

Some of Seattle's biggest problems can't be attributed directly to Melvin.

The Mariners ranked last in the American League in runs scored (857), RBIs (658) and home runs (136).

Former Bulls star Pippen expected to retire

DEERFIELD, Ill. — Scottie Pippen, who teamed with Michael Jordan to form a tandem that drove the Chicago Bulls to six NBA titles in the 1990s, is expected to retire after 17 seasons, an NBA source said Monday.

The source, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said Pippen is scheduled to make the announcement Tuesday on the Bulls' first day of training camp practice. The team held its media day Monday and Pippen was not present.

His agent, Jimmy Sexton, did not immediately return a call for comment Monday night.

Pippen was brought back last season to give leadership and experience to a young Bulls team, but he had knee surgery in December and played in only 23 games as the Bulls went 23-59.

Losing streak continues for Philippoussis in Japan

TOKYO — Mark Philippoussis dropped his fifth straight opening match Monday, losing to Tomas Zib of the Czech Republic 6-3, 6-4 in the Japan Open's first round.

Philippoussis, a two-time Grand Slam finalist hampered by injuries all season, hasn't won a match since Wimbledon.

With the schedule cut short by rain, Harel Levy of Israel defeated Lu Yen-hsun of Taiwan 7-6 (1), 7-6 (1) and will face No. 4 Paradorn Srichaphan.

Also, Japanese wild card Takao Suzuki downed Adrian Garcia 7-6 (6), 7-6 (4), and Alex Bogomolov Jr. beat Janko Tipsarevic 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (2).

WOMEN'S GOLD INTERHALL WRAPS

Underdog Howard holds No. 1 Welsh Family to a tie

By RAMA GOTTUMUKKALA, KATE SERYAK and THOMAS DORWART
Sports Writers

No. 1 ranked team in the women's interhall polls.

"Coming off that game, we're so excited for the rest of the season because everything came together for us and to tie the number one ranked team was something we've been working for all semester," Howard captain Callie Whelan said.

The Ducks took an early lead in the first half by scoring the first touchdown of the game. The Whirlwinds struck back with a touchdown score and extra point

conversion to make the score 7-6. Then Kacey Rak intercepted a pass and ran it back to the six-yard line. Welsh Family took advantage of the turnover and scored to make the score 13-6.

But the second half was a completely different story. The Whirlwinds failed to click on offense and the incompletions piled up as receivers dropped passes.

"It was a breakdown for us on all levels," Welsh Family captain Mary Pendergast said. "We were

doing things that we don't even do in practice. We were missing holes and we were not making plays, not catching passes. That's why it was so awful for us because we felt it was in our hands and we let it slip away."

The turning point of the game came half way through the second half. Howard's Alicia Miramontes intercepted a Welsh Family pass and took it back 25 yards for a touchdown. After converting on the extra point, the Ducks found themselves in a position to tie or even steal the game from the Whirlwinds.

"The whole thing about the game today was that our team came together," Whelan said. "Individually, the efforts put forth were amazing but things clicked as far as the team went that made everyone's role so important."

After trading punts, the time ticked down to 1:58 left before Welsh Family began its final push. Using consecutive screen passes and a quarterback scramble, the Whirlwinds drove down to the Howard 10-yard line. On the final play of the game, Lauren Hoeck, Welsh Family's quarterback, got free for a scramble that took the ball all the way to the 1-yard line before Miramontes again came up with a huge defensive stop, sealing the score at 13 points a piece for the two teams.

Lewis 0, Lyons 0

Sunday's game between Lewis and Lyons resulted in a disappointing tie.

Both teams' defenses came out strong by blocking passes, catching interceptions and stopping runs all throughout the game.

At the end of the first half, Lyons found themselves in a dangerous position. After a penalty against their defense, Lewis was inches from a touchdown.

"Defense really came through during the goal line stand. They did a great job defending their end zone and shutting Lewis down" Lyons coach Mike DeMartini.

The Lewis defense forced several turnovers in the game, but Lyons was not to be outdone. Late in the second half, Lyons' defense intercepted the ball. Instead of

capitalizing on the turnover however, the Lyons' quarterback threw an interception only two plays later. The Lyons' defense, not to be overshadowed by Lewis', responded with yet another turnover. In a huge play, both a Lyons' defender and a Lewis receiver had their hands on the ball, wrestling for it until they hit the ground and the referee called it as an interception.

Lewis caught one interception in the first half and three in the second.

"I really credit defense for their four interceptions," Lewis Captain Sheila Dawes said. Junior safety Lauren Mullins cause two of the turnovers, while sophomores Kate Altschaefal and Mia DeLaRosa each had one.

"We're going to go back and play even better on Thursday, everyone's got to keep going," Dawes said.

Pangborn 33, Off-Campus 7

Prepared and focused, the Pangborn Phoxes (3-1-1) routed Off-Campus (0-4) Sunday at Riehle fields, mixing the option, long runs and tough defense. The win was Pangborn's third straight, while Off-Campus lost their fourth straight.

"We started off pretty fast. We weren't going to underestimate them at all," Pangborn's Kara Tully said. "We were really prepared."

On the second play from scrimmage, the offensive rampage began. Pangborn running back Brynn Johnson took the hand-off from quarterback Katie Mooney near the Phoxes' 30-yard line and dashed 70-yards to the end zone, putting Pangborn up 7-0.

Any hope for Off-Campus to tie the score on their ensuing drive faded when the Phoxes' freshman cornerback Amanda Dunlavy picked off an Off-Campus pass.

Turnovers and defensive touchdowns lifted the Phoxes. Brittny Heinrich intercepted two passes including one returned for a touchdown.

"We just came up really big on defense. Pretty much every time they would try to throw the ball, we would intercept it or bat it down," freshman Stephanie Lewis said.

Pangborn's strong defensive and offensive lines also played an important role in the victory.

"We take our jobs pretty seriously," Lewis said.

The Phoxes boasted an insurmountable 33-0 lead by the time Off-Campus punched in a late touchdown.

"Even though we were up by a lot, we were still working on plays, both ways, that we might need in the playoffs," Lewis said.

As the postseason approaches, the Phoxes see room for improvement.

"After every game, we are always told we can do better. We don't let wins and losses affect what we do," Dunlavy said. "We've been practicing really hard, and it shows on the field."

Underdogs at the beginning of the season, Pangborn has established themselves as an interhall force.

"No one really thought we were going to be really good this season," Lewis said. "It's cool to come in as a freshman and win a lot of games, more than we have in the past."

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MEN'S GOLD INTERHALL WRAPS

Dillon defense rolling, posts another shutout in victory

Alumni and Keenan both win easily, improving to 2-0 with shutouts against their opponents in Week 3 action

By CHRIS KHOREY, MIKE LASKEY, and MIKE TENNANT
Sports Writers

It's been two games, and still no one has scored on Dillon.

The Big Red defense, which was expected to be strong but not projected to be as dominant as it has been, posted its second consecutive shutout in a 14-0 victory over the Morrissey Manorites on Sunday at Riehle Field South.

Last week, Dillon tied Stanford 0-0. This week, the offense stepped up as well, posting a touchdown in each half.

Fullback Greg Belatti credits the improvement to an extra week of practice.

"We had little trouble running [the offense] last week. It was first game jitters," he said. "We had a chance to figure out what went wrong and fix the problems during the week."

The Big Red's veer option offense, accumulated 94 yards on the ground, led by 76 by Belatti, who also scored both touchdowns.

Unfortunately for Dillon, the victory came with a price. The Big Red lost two starters to injury, safety Erik Rocca and wingback Ben Butwin.

"Those are the kind of things that define a team, how they respond to something like that," Belatti said. "We'll find guys to fill those holes."

Morrissey star halfback Nick Klein had some early success, but was rendered ineffective by

the Dillon lead and several long down-and-distance situations created by penalties.

Klein, who rushed for 43 yards on nine carries, broke through the line on several occasions, but was always stopped by the sure-tackling Big Red secondary.

"They have a pretty hard hitting secondary," he said.

To make matters worse for the Manorites, quarterback Pete Sprietzer and the passing attack were completely ineffective. Sprietzer completed only 4-of-11 passes for 45 yards, with 22 of those yards coming on the last play of the game.

"I'm not sure what the deal was," Klein said. "Their secondary kept batting down passes."

The loss marks the second in as many weeks for the Manorites, who in the preseason were expected to compete for the title.

"We're going to forget about this game," captain Aaron Ronsheim said. "We can still make the playoffs."

Although the team's offensive strength appears to be Klein and the running game, Ronsheim would not rule out surprising next week's opponent, the Stanford Griffins, with a few passes.

"We're going to do whatever it takes to win," he said. "Run or pass, whatever we need to do to win."

Dillon faces Keough next week.

Alumni 20, O'Neill 0

A two-week layoff didn't slow the Alumni Dawgs. Sunday

afternoon proved quite the contrary.

Led by a stifling defense and the steady play of quarterback Brent Locey, the Dawgs tore apart the O'Neill Mob 20-0 yesterday.

Forcing six turnovers, Alumni effectively prevented the O'Neill squad from moving anywhere on offense. The Dawgs' defensive line and linebacker corps worked in tandem to shut down the Mob's running game, while the defensive backs' blanketing coverage made passing difficult at best.

Alumni captain A.J. Remen liked what he saw on the defensive side of the ball.

"We have one of the best defensive lines in the league," Remen said. "They make everything easier for the linebackers and secondary."

Remen made his own contributions on the defensive side, highlighted by a 30-yard interception return for a touchdown in the fourth quarter.

Alumni's offense did not let the defense's efforts go to waste, taking advantage of turnovers and good field positioning to score twice in the second quarter. Both touchdowns came through the air as the freshman Locey hit his mark for scores of 12 and four yards.

"The receivers did a great job today," Locey said. "They positioned themselves well for the catches. They weren't perfectly thrown balls, but they made great plays."

When he wasn't finding open receivers down field, Locey often

kept the ball himself, efficiently scrambling away from O'Neill defenders whenever they were able to flush the pocket.

Alumni's success yesterday may be due to the extent of its game preparation.

"We scout every team," Remen said. "We knew [O'Neill's] strengths and were able to capitalize on their weaknesses."

Improving to 2-0, Alumni will face its toughest test of the season next week when it squares off against Keenan.

"Keenan has four big running backs and a really balanced offense," Brent Locey said. "We just need to keep practicing the way we've been practicing."

Keenan 27, Keough 0

Saying that Keenan is hitting on all cylinders might be an understatement.

In their romp of Keough Sunday, the Knights dominated both sides of the ball, tallying up over 250 yards on offense while holding the Kangaroos to only 46.

"It was a total team effort," senior captain Pat Downey said afterward.

Offensively, the Knights were again led by sophomore quarterback Eric Laumann who threw for 180 yards and four touchdowns.

After both teams exchanged turnovers in the first quarter, Keenan put together a 74-yard drive in the second, capping it off with an 8-yard touchdown pass from Laumann to receiver Dan Zenker.

After a Keough fumble on their own 45, the Knights again

struck paydirt when Laumann hit receiver Reed Langton from seven yards out to put the Knights up 13-0 as time expired in the first half.

On the third play of the second half, Laumann connected with Zenker again, this time for a 55-yard touchdown strike. After the Knight defense forced a Keough punt, Laumann found Steve Miller in the end zone for his fourth touchdown pass of the game.

"This game makes us question our pass defense," Keough senior captain and quarterback Brian Kuser said. "We definitely are going to have to work on our secondary."

"Keough decided to put eight men in the box to stop our run game, and when we have Langton and Zenker, you can have the ball thrown to them," Downey said.

The Keenan defense continued its dominance over the gold league, allowing the Kangaroos only five offensive yards in the second half. Senior linebackers Brandon Hall and Pat Robinson led a Knight defensive front that stopped the Kangaroos dead at the line of scrimmage multiple times, including on a 4th-and-1 deep in Knight territory.

"They were just a superior team today," Kuser said. "They were all over us."

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WOMEN'S BLUE INTERHALL WRAPS

Cavanaugh rides defensive strength, cruises to win

McGlinn blows out Pasquerilla East 19-0 to secure their first victory of the season, feel good about rest of year

By TOM STILES and ABBEY RICHARDSON
Sports Writers

A team known for its suffocating defense turned in another solid performance this past Sunday as Cavanaugh handily defeated Pasquerilla West 24-6. Unfortunately, at least for the rest of the league, the Chaos

offense seems to be catching up.

After being shutout in its season opener, the Cavanaugh offense has blossomed into a very formidable and explosive unit, as the Weasel defense found out all too well. Cavanaugh accumulated 160 yards of total offense, including 65 yards on the ground, en route to two touchdowns through the air and one off of an option.

Chaos quarterback Lisa Ruffer made certain to spread the wealth on offense, as she connected with six different receivers.

"I think that first game got us angry," Ruffer said. "We wanted to live up to the expectations."

Cavanaugh came out firing, scoring on each of its first two possessions, one of which was a perfectly executed quarterback

option that freshman Tarah Brown took the distance. Seniors Sara Gilloon and Jenny Nokes pulled down the offense's other two scores.

Pasquerilla West's quarterback Heather Van Hoegarden was under constant pressure all game and the Weasel offense never got itself established. The Weasels did, however, come out and score off a long drive on

their first possession of the second half, pulling them within a touchdown. The Chaos defense then rose to the challenge, keeping the Weasels from even coming close to scoring again.

"The defense, and the team, works on getting better each week," Chaos coach Hunter Craig said. "We feel confident that we can win every week."

With the game already in hand, freshman cornerback Lizzy Brown, on the last play of the game, intercepted a Van Hoegarden desperation pass and returned it 30 yards for Cavanaugh's fourth and final score. Cavanaugh's balanced offense and stingy defense were too much for Pasquerilla West to overcome.

Pasquerilla West (1-1-1) will look to rebound against Farley this Tuesday at 7 p.m. while Cavanaugh (2-0-1) tries to remain unbeaten when they take on McGlinn this Tuesday at 9 p.m. Both games are at the Riehle West Fields.

McGlinn 19, Pasquerilla East 0.

It was a big game for both teams, and McGlinn came out on top. Both the Shamrocks and Pasquerilla East came into the game without a win and the Shamrocks came out victorious with a win.

"Our offense didn't give the ball away as much," McGlinn coach Jake Granatino said. "We had great defense."

McGlinn scored very early in the game. The Shamrocks ran for a 40-yard touchdown for the first six points. Before halftime, they scored on a 15-yard touchdown run. Neither of the two extra point attempts were successful. This brought the score to 12-0 at halftime.

The Pyros were having some trouble moving the ball at the start of the game. The offense could not get into the flow of the game. Penalties hurt the Pyros, but by the end of the half, they were moving the ball better.

The Pyro defense struggled, but intercepted one pass in the first half.

In the second half of the game, McGlinn ran for one more touchdown and the extra point attempt was good. Although down, the Pyros didn't quit. The offensive line was cheering for the defensive line. They fought a hard battle and never gave up. Towards the end of the game, they had more successful running plays. However, McGlinn was just too much to handle.

"PE ran an unorthodox offense," Granatino said. "They had some break downs. They got shut down."

Pasquerilla East is now 0-4, while McGlinn is 1-2.

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WOMEN'S BLUE INTERHALL PREVIEWS

Walsh ready to face
No. 1 Breen-Phillips

By NATHAN DYER, BRAD WALLACE and KEN FOWLER
Sports Writers

Since 2001, every Super Bowl-winning NFL team, from the Baltimore Ravens to last year's New England Patriots, has relied on a strong defense to overpower their opponent. The Wild Women of Walsh are using a similar strategy in this season's attempt to make it to the stadium and the women's championship.

"It's really easy to win when the defense keeps giving us shutouts," said Walsh freshman quarterback Mary Sullivan after last Tuesday's shutout victory over McGlinn.

True to form, Walsh senior captain Carrie Campbell predicts that this Tuesday's game against Breen-Phillips will be another defensive struggle.

"This is going to be a really low scoring game," Campbell said, predicting that another shutout will be necessary to put away Breen-Phillips.

Breen-Phillips, however, is no slouch. The top-ranked team in the league, the undefeated Babes also rely on their defense to win games. Led by sophomore co-captain Shannon Swanigan, the Breen-Phillips defense is not only great at keeping opponents out of their end zone, but also great at turning opponents' mistakes into points.

Against Pasquerilla East last week, Breen-Phillips forced two interceptions, with senior Rachel Kemp returning one all the way for a touchdown. But with Kemp sidelined with an injury, the Babes will look to other members of the defense to carry the load.

While Breen-Phillips' secondary has played well against the pass this year, it is Walsh's senior cornerback Katie Hesmond who has given the most trouble to opposing quarterbacks. With two interceptions in each game, Hesmond has a remarkable eight on the season.

While it is impossible to overlook the impact that Hesmond has on a game, Breen-Phillips captain Jaimie Feltaut is confident in sophomore quarterback Ali Brosnan's ability to stay out of trouble by spreading the ball around to multiple receivers.

"Ali's been getting more and more comfortable running the offense with each game, [by] not just keying in on one receiver but throwing the ball to any open receiver," Feltaut said.

Farley vs. Pasquerilla West

The toughest game faces could prove to be instrumental in tonight's game between Pasquerilla West and Farley.

The 1-1 Weasels will meet the 1-3 Finest at 7 p.m. at Riehle Field in a game that could make or break the seasons of both teams.

"We know if we win our next two games we can make the playoffs, so obviously this game is really important to us," Farley captain Angelina Zehrbach said. "I think our biggest strength is that we don't give up, and that's going to come into play a lot in the game."

Captain Abby Nerlinger and Pasquerilla West are in a similar boat, needing a big win in order to realize their playoff goals. After a disappointing game on Sunday

against Cavanaugh, the Weasels are ready to make the push towards a successful season.

"We didn't play up to our potential this weekend. We came out slow, and we had some trouble adjusting to their offense. We worked on these things in practice, and hopefully tonight we'll play like we know we can," Nerlinger commented.

Farley is also coming off a weak performance, and hopes that the extra practice they took in will be beneficial in tonight's competition.

"Thus far, things haven't really been clicking for us. We didn't have a game on Sunday, so we've been able to spend more time working on our weaknesses and reevaluating things. We added to our defense, hoping to switch things up and prevent the offense from exploiting our coverage. Our offense also worked on adjusting to different types of coverage, which I think will really help," Zehrbach said.

Both teams agree, however, that the key to the game will be getting a strong start.

"If we can establish a rhythm and build up some momentum, I think we've got a great chance of winning. We just need to keep the ball moving," Zehrbach explained.

McGlinn vs. Cavanaugh

Coming off an impressive win against Pasquerilla West, the Cavanaugh Chaos will look to improve to 3-0-1 tonight against the McGlinn Shamrocks.

"It was a whole team effort," Cavanaugh quarterback and captain Lisa Ruffer said of Sunday's win, "and we're going to go out there Tuesday with the mentality that we can win and will."

However, Liz Maher and the Shamrocks are coming off an equally impressive victory, one which may have righted a drifting ship. After losing its first two games, the Shamrocks easily cruised over Pasquerilla East Sunday, 18-0.

The two losses for McGlinn, though, have come against high-ranked Breen-Phillips and Walsh Family. After two games, the Shamrocks had been outscored by only seven points, but were in desperate need of a quick turnaround.

Tonight's game will be a true test of valor for the Shamrocks, whose playoff contention is on the line.

Before the game against Pasquerilla East, Maher said that the team needed to "solidify on offense." Three touchdowns later, the team's success is apparent.

For Cavanaugh, the task will be to continue to play as it has in its three wins. With a 14-point victory over Farley and the 18-point win over Pasquerilla West, the Chaos seem to be in control of the team's destiny.

Both teams stress group-effort, and both feel that the game will not be determined by one player alone. Maher called the Chaos' current undefeated season a result of "terrific team effort," not of just one or two players.

"We have a bunch of great players, but we have won because we play together well," she said.

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"I didn't think any extra about the kick. I've had great blocking all year by the line and the holder does a great job. I just go out there and have a lot of fun," Manaas said of the final kick.

Freshman quarterback Patrick Gotebeski led the drive that ended in Fisher's game-winning field goal. He drove the Green Wave from its own 34 to the 21-yard line of Knott in a little over four minutes. On the final drive he completed 4-of-5 passes for 25 yards and rushed for 18 yards. The most crucial play of the drive came on a 3rd-and-5. Gotebeski juked up the middle for a seven-yard gain and a first down.

"The offensive line was doing a great job blocking all game," Gotebeski said.

"They were opening up holes so that we could rush it up the middle. We were just working for field position, hitting those short routes."

Fisher got on the board first after a 43-yard field goal by Manaas early in the second quarter. The drive that led to this kick almost did not happen as a Knott cornerback intercepted the ball a little past mid-field. But a roughing the passer call negated this interception.

Knott scored on its next possession on a lengthy drive engineered by quarterback Justin Gillett. He went 4-for-8 with 30 passing yards to propel the Juggs to Fisher's 23-yard line. The Juggs were aided by a 15-yard roughing the passer call on 2nd-and-long to push the ball into Fisher territory. A 40-yard Knott field goal tied the game

at three, the way the game would stay until the final minutes.

The Fisher defense slowed up a Knott offense coming off a 28-point victory last week. Knott was hindered by the absence of sophomore running back Justin Lyons due to a separated shoulder. The Juggs could not get anything going on the ground, forcing Gillett to go in the air most of the game.

Next week Knott will take on Sorin. Fisher will go head-to-head in a match-up of undefeated teams with the Vermin of Carroll.

Zahm 14, Sorin 7

They ran, they ran again and then they ran some more, and on the way, the Rabid Bats picked up a much-deserved win over the Otters of Sorin.

The Zahm offensive scheme was so run-oriented that quarterback Sean Wieland only attempted five passes the entire game, not completing one until late in the fourth quarter. Wieland was intercepted once, but this occurred on a long fourth down pass, turning the interception into a rather lengthy punt, which pinned Sorin at its own 1-yard line.

The Rabid Bats ran right from the get-go, with Corey Brisee taking the first two carries for a combined 32 yards and John Souder taking the ball 33 yards for a touchdown on the game's third play.

Sorin's first drive showed signs of a well-balanced offense, as the Otters combined running play to both sides of the field with short pass attempts and finally maneuvered their way into the end zone to tie the score.

At this point, it appeared as though defense would be non-existent throughout the contest. But the Rabid Bats

defense rebounded from what surely was a disappointing performance on the first drive to keep the Otters from scoring again. Sorin fumbled three times in Otter territory, two of which were recovered by Zahm.

Zahm also had some help from the Sorin offense, which looked desperate on its subsequent possessions, attempting two inconsequential reverses and a failed halfback pass. Sorin was more successful with regards to the passing attack, as quarterback Collin O'Keefe completed 5-of-13 attempts for over 70 yards. The rushing numbers, however, were so stacked in Zahm's favor as to render this meaningless.

Using four different backs, the Rabid Bats combined for 200 yards rushing. Both of their scores came on the ground. The game-winning score was a breathtaking 70-yard run by Brisee, which featured multiple broken tackles. In total, Brisee rushed for over 130 yards in the victory.

Carroll 14, St. Edward's 0

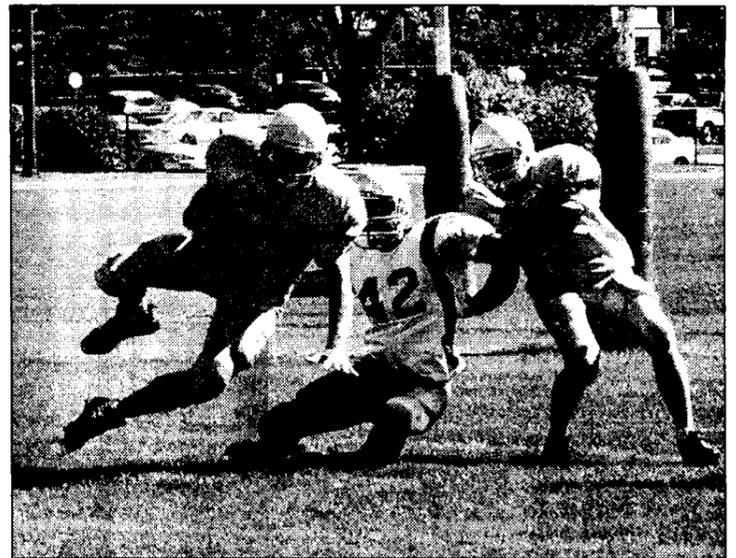
Carroll is now a legitimate contender.

After pummeling St. Edward's Sunday afternoon there is no doubt that Carroll is for real.

"It was really nice to get in there and show them we're here to play. Carroll is not a push-over," freshman defensive lineman Karl Liebenauer said.

Two standouts for Carroll were quarterback and captain Kory Wilmot and freshman running back Jimmy Buffi. Wilmot completed 5-of-11 passes, gaining 65 yards. He also rushed for 48 yards and scored one touchdown. Buffi had 11 carries including one touchdown.

Buffi was a menace on the field, the Stedsmen couldn't



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A Zahm defender, center, struggles to guard two Sorin receivers at once. However, Zahm defeated Sorin 14-7.

get a good handle on him all game.

"I gotta give credit to the offensive-line. They opened up big holes and I just ran through. It was a great feeling," Buffi said.

St. Ed's offense and defense were both lackluster. The offense earned only 55 yards, much of which occurred near the end of the game. Quarterback John Brewis had a rough time as well, throwing only 3-for-8 and giving up two interceptions to Matt Wormington and John Tira.

On defense the Stedsmen may have only given up two touchdowns, but the score was much closer than the game as they gave up eight first downs.

Between Brewis' two interceptions and three sacks there are very few positives that St. Ed's can pull out of this game. The Stedsmen quarterback was sacked twice by Vermin defensive linemen Karl Liebenauer and once by James Guier. It was the persistent

Carroll defense that destroyed Brewis' offense.

Despite his third loss of the season and still no victory, coach and captain Matt Weber remains positive.

"We played pretty well, they got a couple good drives together and beat us on those," Weber said. "We need to just go out there and keep playing."

The Vermin plan to infest the playoffs and prove to the league that they are truly a force to be reckoned with. And even for the smallest dorm on campus, Carroll can certainly pack a punch that will make teams run for cover.

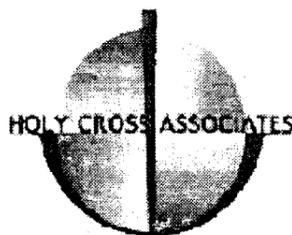
"Two-and-oh is big. We didn't want a letdown after last week. We need our defense to keep showing up," captain Wilmot said.

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at the bottom of the standings, having yet to win a game in conference play.

"[Tri-State's] record isn't very strong, but they only lost to Calvin 3-2 last week," said MacKenzie. "I'm not sure if they've had injuries or other problems, but they're capable of

playing good soccer; maybe they just need to put it together."

To rebound from Saturday's loss, the Belles will look to play strong soccer for both halves against Tri-State, as well as get more production from their forwards.

"We've struggled to put the ball in the net with our front-runners, although we've been getting good production from our midfielders," said MacKenzie. "I hope this game will be a chance for our

forwards to break out and put some balls in the back of the net. I have pretty high expectations that the team will be able to bounce back, play our style of soccer, and stay on track."

After dropping to second in the standings with the Calvin loss, the Belles also look to solidify

their place in the conference with a win today.

"They're still very focused, and they still feel very much in the hunt for the title; it's a long season, and there's lots of soccer to still be played," said MacKenzie. "All the teams we lost to on the road will have to come back here

and face us at home. To win this conference, it's going to take some skill, some focus, and even a little luck, but I'm confident our kids will stick with it and be there at the end."

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Saturday and finding the form they had during that three-game winning streak.

"To come back from a game like that it takes a lot of leadership. Five of the teams that were playing in BCS games last year had at least two losses," linebacker Mike Goolsby said. "To hear something like that is very encouraging to know that some of the goals you set at the start of the season are still attainable. You have to keep that in the back of your mind."

The players felt a lack of execution was the problem Saturday. The Irish believe they have the ability to compete with anyone in the country and still feel that way despite the disappointment on Saturday.

"It's not a matter of talent. It's not a matter of potential," fifth-year senior linebacker Derek Curry said. "It's just a matter of

getting the job done and executing the game plan properly. That's the only thing that hurt us last week. We didn't execute it well enough."

If the Irish don't maintain the correct focus, this season could spiral out of control very quickly. Based on the current records of the final six teams on their schedule, the Irish are facing the toughest schedule in the country.

A promising 3-1 start could be all erased, and the unthinkable could follow.

"More than anything is knowing what it feels like to go through a season like that," fifth-year senior Kyle Budinscak said. "If we win the rest of our ball games, we can have a great season. If we go out there and continue to have let-downs, we know how terrible it can be."

"Last year is going to be a reminder as to what we don't want to let happen."

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Brandon Hoyte, left, and Trevor Laws confer during Saturday's game against Purdue.

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Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

Jumble puzzle grid with words: FIRGE, TOISH, HERVIT, MIRADS. Includes circled letters for a surprise answer.

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



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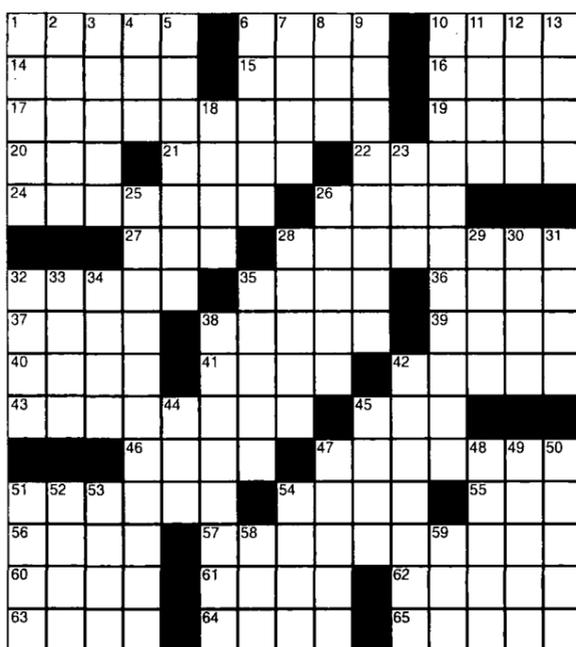
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answers tomorrow: Yesterday's Jumbles: MANLY PIANO NEARBY GYPSUM Answer: How the bowler paid for the acupuncture treatment - WITH "PIN" MONEY

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- ACROSS: 1 Sharp-eyed raptor, 6 Kid's getaway, 10 Military level, 14 Lamebrain, 15 Off base illegally, 16 "Garfield" dog, 17 "The Godfather" actor's reputation?, 19 Umpteen, 20 UFO fliers, 21 Novelist Zane, 22 River under London Bridge, once, 24 Alfalfa, Spanky and others, 26 Tibia's place, 27 Christian pop singer Grant, 28 Camera-friendly events, 32 Cheap jewelry, 35 Rapunzel's abundance, 36 Off-key, in a way, 37 Garage occupant, 38 "It ain't over till it's over" speaker, 39 Gawk at, 40 Beach sidler, 41 New York City's River, 42 Comprehend, 43 Arrange in columns, 45 Old French coin, 46 Rolling in the dough, 47 Stops talking suddenly, 51 Pants measure, 54 Soccer success, 55 Expert, 56 Fan club's honoree, 57 U2 singer's journey?, 60 Indian tourist site, 61 River to the Caspian, 62 Lecture jottings, 63 Posterior, 64 Kittens' cries, 65 Dress to kill, with "up"



Puzzle by Lynn Lempel

- DOWN: 1 Fireplace glower, 2 Line from the heart, 3 Wimbledon court surface, 4 Actor Chaney, 5 Final stage, in chess, 6 Yuletide sweets, 7 On vacation, 8 S.U.V., "chauffeur," maybe, 9 Overabundance, 10 Actor Ray's discussion group?, 11 First mate?, 12 "The Whole Yards", 13 Florida islets, 18 Air France destination, 23 Chart topper, 25 Roman statesman's thieving foe?, 26 Tank top, e.g., 28 Analyze, as a sentence, 29 Gymnast Korburt, 30 Buddies, 31 Put one's foot down?, 32 Hostilities ender, 33 Subtle glow, 34 Attempt, 35 Shrubby tract, 38 Lauderdale loafer, 42 Cooperate (with), 44 Soused, 45 Pole or Bulgarian, 47 Puts on ice, 48 Petty quarrels, 49 More than suggests, 50 Metrical verse, 51 Tall tale teller, 52 Upper hand, 53 Writer Ephron, 54 Chew like a rat, 58 Vein contents, 59 "rang?"

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EUGENIA LAST

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Happy Birthday: Don't hold back. Set your sights on your goals and forge ahead. You can have it all if you are precise, determined and confident in your pursuits.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): This is not the day to give unwanted advice. It's best to listen and observe. You'll damage your own reputation if you insist on gossiping about others. Friends will get quite upset if you take sides. ** TAURUS (April 20-May 20): It is best to make your own arrangements if you don't want to be disappointed or left out. Don't be dependent on others. Instead, you should do things for yourself. *** GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You will have a thirst for knowledge. Listen and you will pick up valuable information. Travel should be a part of your plans for the day. Short outings will bring about love possibilities. **** CANCER (June 21-July 22): Expect to have sudden changes regarding your relationships. Residential moves will be to your benefit in the long term. Larger quarters or more people on your domestic scene loom. ** LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Expand your circle of friends. Don't be afraid to volunteer for positions that involve working within your community. New connections will lead to adventure and excitement. ***** VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Spend time with those who could use your help. You need to be around individuals who you find stimulating. Look into personal changes that will make you feel better about yourself. *** LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Use extra discipline to enable you to control bad habits. Limitations may develop if you have children who need your attention. Beware of poor financial maneuvers. *** SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Social activities will enhance your love life. Don't deal with legal documents or personal papers today. Your anger will mount if a joint venture isn't working out. *** SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Follow through with projects that you can do by yourself. Dealing with those you love could lead to upset. It is best not to discuss personal matters today. ***** CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Slow down and enjoy life. Rethink your intentions and you won't find yourself in an awkward position. Minor mishaps can be expected if you don't think about what you are doing. ** AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your intuitive insight will give you the upper hand when dealing with others. You need to spend time with those who have the same intellectual interests. **** PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your overactive imagination may lead to bad dreams. Try to put your personal life in perspective. Stop running away from your problems. You can't make changes unless you're willing to acknowledge what needs to be done. ***

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ND CROSS COUNTRY

Stanford takes title, but Irish runners not far behind

Notre Dame keeps up pace with Cardinal

By **BOBBY GRIFFIN**
Sports Writer

The Irish may have run a good race on Friday, but the Cardinal soared.

Notre Dame put on a great showing, as the men took second and the women third in the Notre Dame Cross Country Invitational. But the story of the

race was Stanford, who won both the men's and women's events.

The Cardinal men are ranked No. 2 in the nation, while the women are ranked No. 1, according to separate polls.

Stanford led the men's race with 89 points while the women won with 34 points.

The Irish performed very well, especially on the men's side, following up on their dominating performance in the National Catholic Invitational.

This, however, was a much different race, with a much differ-

ent class of runner.

Men's coach Joe Piane stressed the difficulty of the race, and the highly-talented field that the Irish had to compete with.

"Going into the race there [were] eight nationally-ranked teams and we were actually ranked eight going into it," said Piane. "We beat six nationally-ranked teams and we came pretty close to Stanford."

Irish runner Kurt Benninger finished second overall, with a time of 23:43, just three seconds behind Brigham Young

University's Josh Rohatinsky, who won the race.

"We were pretty excited after the race. We're not ranked as high as we thought that we should be, but we knew that if we just went out there and ran to our potential that we would get the job done," said Benninger.

Benninger was one of four Irish runners to finish in the top 20. Tim Moore, who won the National Catholic Invitational, finished in 13th place with a

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CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer
The Irish men's cross country team runs in a pack on Friday.

FOOTBALL

Starting at the top

After disappointing loss to Purdue, senior leadership will be key to Irish turnaround

By **MATT LOZAR**
Sports Writer

Justin Tuck is ready to call a meeting with the seniors.

He wants to get them together to ensure the focus of the team's leaders is on the same page with six games left on the Irish schedule.

"Anytime you lose a game of that magnitude especially in our house, the leadership has to step up," the senior defensive end said. "We got to put that behind us. We've got to have three great days of practice."

"[But] it won't be just for our seniors, but how we react to the younger people of our team and how we get them motivated to step up and put that behind us. ... We have a great chance to finish

this season on a great note.

"Our seniors know what our focus needs to be. We just have to filter that down through our football team."

The Irish are maintaining the same attitude they've had throughout the entire season - if they execute and get the job done on their end, regardless of the opponent, they can compete with anyone. It's something coach Tyrone Willingham must have talked over the weekend because at least two Irish players mentioned facts about two-loss teams making a Bowl Championship Series bowl game last year.

Whether that's realistic or not, the first step toward meeting one of their preseason goals is getting back into Notre Dame Stadium

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CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer
Notre Dame's Justin Tuck, left, and Greg Pauly sack Purdue quarterback Kyle Orton during Saturday's 41-16 Irish loss.

SMC SOCCER

Belles face Tri-State at home

By **RYAN DUFFY**
Sports Writer

For the Belles this season, there's been no place like home.

Saint Mary's is 3-0 at home this season, with wins over three of the top four teams in their conference, but holds a significantly worse record of 1-2-1 on the road. The team will look to show their strength again today, when they take on Tri-State University at home.

"We really love playing at home; it's a big bonus to not have to get on that bus for a long road trip to a game" said coach Caryn MacKenzie. "We like having the game in our area, and I'm excited for this week when we get to stay home twice. But whether it turns out to be a pattern or not, right now we don't play very well on the road."

In the Belles' most recent road match, the team was unable to play with the same intensity from start to finish, and suffered a 4-1 loss to Calvin. Saint Mary's will look to remedy that problem today on their home field.

"We played a great first half against Calvin, but in the second half we just came out flat," said MacKenzie. "They were more energetic, and we were just deflated. We still can't seem to consistently put two solid halves together. We want to avoid repeating that against Tri-State."

While Calvin sits in first place and is one of the conference's premier teams, Tri-State resides

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MEN'S BLUE INTERHALL WRAP

Fisher downs Knott on last-second field goal

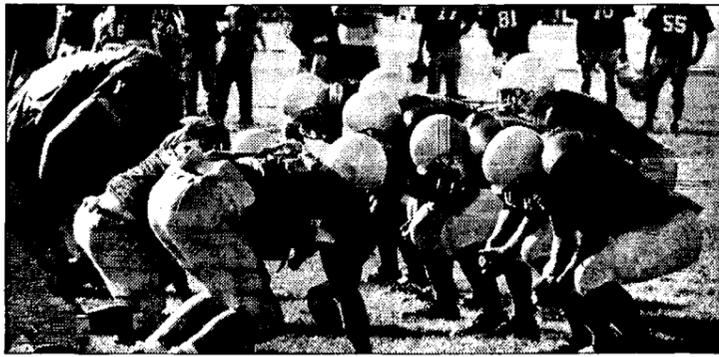
By **KYLE CASSILY, JOHN EVERETT and PETE CRACCHIOLO**
Sports Writers

Fisher kicker Daniel Manaas just took it like any other kick, only this kick was to determine whether the Green Wave would come away with its third victory of the season or settle for a tie. With the score deadlocked at 3-3 and 10 seconds remain-

ing on the clock in Sunday's match between Fisher and Knott, Manaas lined up for the kick. The ball was spotted on the 21-yard line, making it a 38-yard field goal attempt. The snap was perfect, and Manaas hammered a line drive kick just over the bottom of the uprights to guarantee a Fisher victory at 6-3.

This was the second of two field goals that he had on the

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JUSTIN RICE/The Observer
The Fisher defense lines up against the Knott offense on Sunday.

SPORTS AT A GLANCE

WOMEN'S INTERHALL

Blue League Preview

Walsh vs. Breen-Phillips

The Wild Women and Babes square off.

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Cavanaugh 24, PW 6

The Chaos stay unbeaten with a win over the Weasels.

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Dillon 14, Morrissey 0

The Big Red get a victory but lose two starters to injury.

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Howard 13, Welsh Family 13

The underdog Ducks tied the Whirlwinds

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Priest Holmes scored two touchdowns in Kansas City's win.

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Gary Payton reports to the Celtics training camp as their new point guard.

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