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Safety proposal gets mixed reception

Board of Trustees criticize SafeBus, applaud other measures

By CLAIRE HEININGER
News Editor

The Board of Trustees harshly questioned the timing, feasibility and logistics of student government's proposal to create a Notre Dame SafeBus Thursday, but acknowledged the importance of off-campus safety as an overarching report theme and embraced some of the students' lesser initiatives.

The SafeBus idea — the cornerstone of a four-point proposal that

also included off-campus security seminars, greater neighborhood involvement and the prospect of Notre Dame Security/Police extending its reach beyond campus boundaries — should have been subjected to further student government review and Campus Life Council approval before it reached the Board's level, one trustee said.

The Observer has a policy of not attributing information or quotes to specific members of the Board.

"To ask the Trustees to step in first is certainly the cart before

the horse," he said.

The presenters, student body president Adam Istvan, vice president Karla Bell and chief executive assistant Dave Baron, should have also cleared the SafeBus plan with busing companies and asked the city of South Bend to take responsibility for liability concerns, another trustee said.

"You may want to hit all those other parties before it comes to us," he said.

Other trustees worried the SafeBus sounded too much like the various van line systems that

failed at the University in the past.

"I feel like this idea kind of has a renaissance every 10 years," another trustee said, pointing out that when she attended Notre Dame, a saferide service died out because of sparse participation.

"How many students would use it?" she asked. "Did you learn anything from the vanlines of the past?"

Istvan said he had.

"We don't want this to be another failed saferide," he said,

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Nolan to depart in December

SMC admissions director steps down after two decades

By ANGELA SAOUD
St. Mary's Editor

In a move unrelated to the drop in enrollment at Saint Mary's, director of admissions Mary Pat Nolan has announced that she will leave the College in December, after 21 years in the position.

"It has nothing to do with admissions or the budget," Nolan said. "It's entirely coincidental. I'm getting married, and my new husband lives in Philadelphia so I will be moving to be with him."

College President Carol Mooney said a national search for Nolan's replacement is in the beginning stages, but there is still work to be done before it officially begins.

"We have constituted a search committee and hired a consulting firm that has done a lot of work in filling enrollment management positions," Mooney said. "The search consultant will be on campus next week working with the search committee to craft a position description."

Mooney said the search will begin soon thereafter.

She also stressed the importance of finding a person with experience in student recruitment, including admissions, financial aid, marketing and retention.

"We will be looking for a person who is a leader and who is innovative," Mooney said. "It will



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9/11 commissioner discusses report

Tim Roemer explains investigation's results

By CLAIRE HEININGER
News Editor

In order to follow the example of the bipartisan Sept. 11 panel, Americans immersed in a red-state and blue-state mentality must overcome partisan politics to pressure the government into true intelligence reform, Tim Roemer, a Democratic member of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States and a former House member from Indiana, said Thursday.

Roemer, who holds an M.A. and Ph.D. from Notre Dame and represented South Bend for 12 years in the U.S. House of Representatives, urged the Jordan Auditorium audience to return to the unity felt during the tragic attacks' aftermath.

"We've got a threat, and we need to act on it — that means all of America, not Republicans, not Democrats," he said. "Duct tape and color codes have not worked particularly well. The American people are tough enough, smart



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Former U.S. Representative and 9/11 commissioner Tim Roemer holds up a copy of the 9/11 report during a talk Thursday.

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Terror report offers policy suggestions

By TRICIA de GROOT
News Writer

Since the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States, the country has been fighting a war against terrorism. "The 9/11 Commission Report: The Final Report of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States" has run up the ranks of the best-seller list and in the midst of campaign season and become an essential piece of national literature.

The report sheds light on many governmental problems that could have hindered the prevention of and response to the terrorist attacks, and puts forth proposals on how best to adapt the bureaucracy to our changing world.

The report identifies what is working as well and what needs improvement with the current

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Aura of tradition, mystery surrounds the Irish Guard



CLEMENT SUHENDRA/The Observer

The Irish Guard practices its distinctive straight-backed, high-step march in September.

By BETH ERICKSON
News Writer

Though the Irish Guard's signature marches and striking attire are famous in the arena of college football, the "fraternity" of 10 has retained a veil of mystery even in the confines of the campus.

"The purpose of the Guard is to lead the way for the band and to add a sense of prestige to the band as a whole," senior Guardsman John Anderson said.

In order to lend Notre Dame football with this "prestige," the

Guardsmen take on a surprising number of responsibilities.

During the football season, the Guard practices every weeknight with the Band of the Fighting Irish, coordinating with band members to learn every new half-time routine, where they often play a large role.

On home game weekends, the Guard's duties begin on Friday afternoon, when they "step off" with the band on a march from the Dome to the practice field. They then preside over the pep

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CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Irish Guardsmen present the flag before the Michigan game on Sept. 11.

INSIDE COLUMN

Pop goes the collar

Growing up as I did in the Midwest, I was completely unaccustomed to coastal fashion when I arrived in South Bend. After three years, though, I'm starting to notice a few trends on campus that I just don't

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get to see at home. Perhaps the most interesting of these is also the most irritating — the popped collar.

I just don't get it. Why do people do this to their shirts? Maybe they're blocking their necks from the sun, wind and rain. Maybe they're cold. Maybe they're hiding hickeys. Maybe I'm the only one who is missing out.

Thinking back, I should have seen it coming. Fashion trends recycle, right? And in the 1800s, fashionable men starched their collars in order to wear the cravats that served as ties. The collar's points framed their faces.

This fad simply never faded away on the East Coast, where prep-school etiquette required that young men sport starched collars even on the weekends. It also appeared on the West Coast in the early 90s when hip-hop artists like MC Hammer told us to "pop ya collar."

The popped collar is obviously a craze of the past. Why, then, is the J. Crew U. look so prevalent here, now?

Fellow Observer staffer Kelly Meehan and I tried out the popped collar and asked our fellow students what they thought about it. While most agreed that it was fashionable, many said that the majority of collar-poppers are merely imitating those who have the right to pop. And when questioned, the general consensus was that this group consisted of upper-crust East Coasters who have been popping their whole lives.

I won't go so far as to say that the only people who should wear the popped collar are preppy or wealthy. I don't necessarily believe that. Some of the coolest people in entertainment history flipped up their collars — think John Lennon, Lloyd Dobler in "Say Anything," Elvis, the Fonz, Michael Jackson in the "Bad" era, and even Alex P. Keaton. These were men who bravely popped where no men had popped before. They were the truly cool fashion trendsetters among the masses.

But if you think about it, the stiff collar has been sported by many who should have avoided it. Dracula, for one, is a prime example. Star Trek characters, the Bride of Frankenstein, even dogs who have had surgery all get a chance to flip their collars.

My point to you is this: The more liberal American style seems to get, the more and more the trendy attempt to reach back to steal fashions from the past. You cannot reinvent something as classic as the polo shirt, nor is it always appropriate to try. How you dress should be a reflection of who you really are. Don't let a fashion trend designate how you present yourself to the world. And most importantly, pop your collar responsibly.

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CORRECTIONS

Due to an editing error, the photo on page 22 of the Oct. 5 issue of The Observer was incorrectly credited to Chuy Benitez. It should have been credited to Claire Kelley.

Due to an editing error, the photo poll question for the Oct. 6 issue of The Observer was incorrect. It should have been "How do you rate Health Services?"

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT'S YOUR PREDICTION FOR SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL GAME?



Matt Buckle
sophomore
St. Ed's

"John Carlson is going to force a fumble and return it for a touchdown. Final score, ND 7, Stanford 0."



Adrian Chiu
sophomore
Morrissey

"ND shutout."



Rob Dugas
sophomore
Siegfried

"We will not lose to an inanimate object."



Stefanie Marshall
senior
Farley

"Hopefully we'll get to do a lot of push-ups."



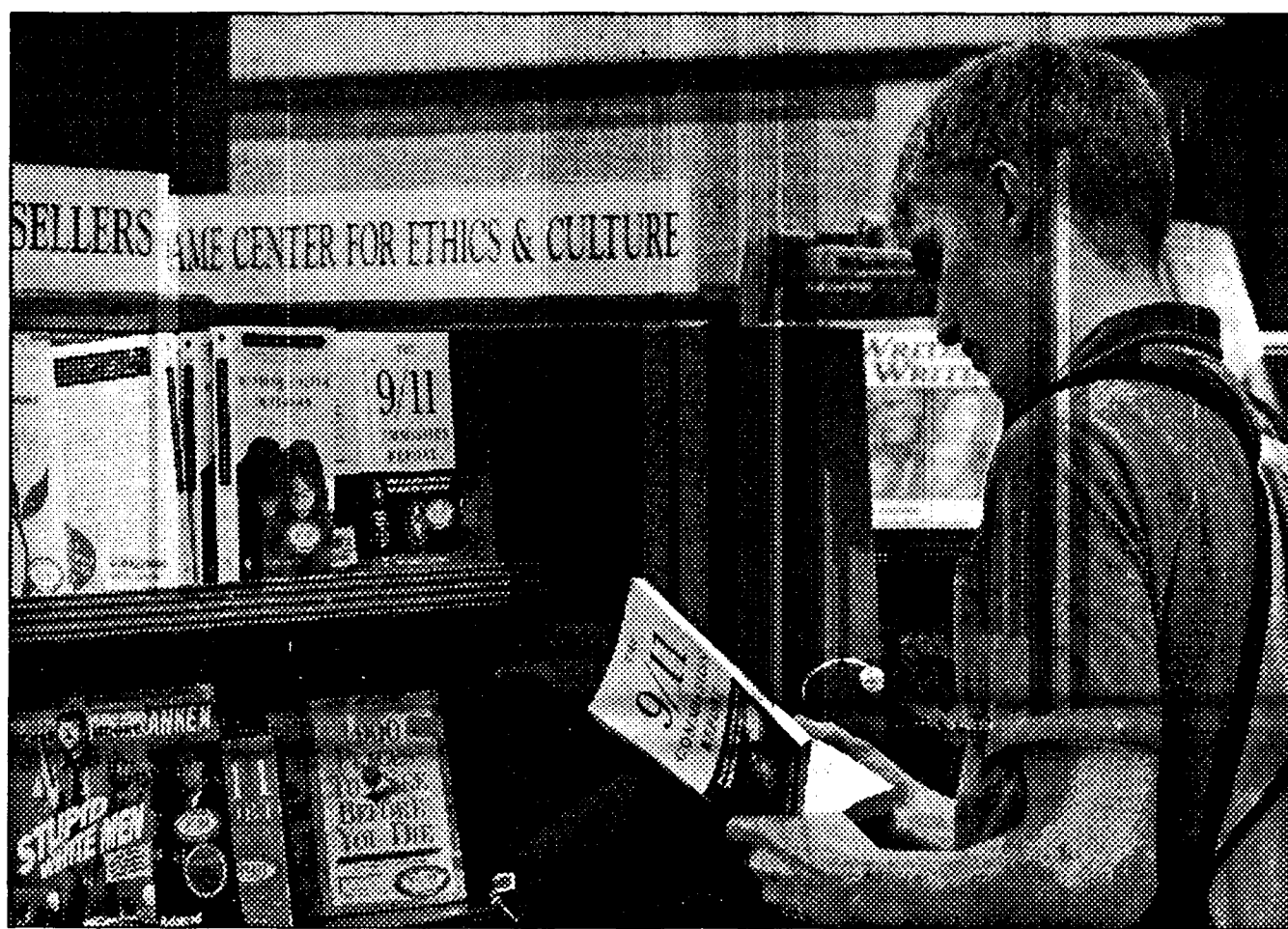
Kachi Okoronkwo
junior
Walsh

"We will win. Travis Thomas will both play and dominate."



Michele Taets
senior
Badin

"28-21, Notre Dame. Go Irish!"



CLEMENT SUHENDRA/The Observer

Zahm sophomore Tim Rann peruses the "9/11 Commission Report" on the best-seller rack at the Hammes Bookstore. The report is currently No. 31 on the New York Times Bestseller list, and is required reading for some University courses.

OFFBEAT

72-year-old man remarries first bride

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — A Malaysian man has married for the 53rd time, tying the knot a second time with the first woman he wed.

"I am not a playboy. I just love seeing beautiful women," said 72-year-old Kamaruddin Mohammed.

In between marrying Khadijah Udin, in 1957 and again Monday, he married 51 times, including to an Englishwoman and a Thai.

He stayed with the Thai the longest, for 20 years. His shortest marriage lasted two days. All his previous marriages ended in divorce

except with the Thai woman, who died of cancer, he said.

"After she died I thought of Khadijah and sent several people to inquire. I didn't expect her to accept it," said Kamaruddin, who worked for several multinational companies before retiring in 1992.

Check your head: Girl's politics clear

BEDFORD, Ind. — Kerra Fowler's opposition to President Bush has gone to her head, thanks to the highest bidder.

She offered up on eBay her shaved skull for an anti-Bush message and received a tat-

too of a large W with a cowboy hat and a red slash after a bid \$103.50.

The 29-year-old mother of four said she placed her ad with an opening bid of a penny after seeing two others offering to sell head space for tattoos backing Democratic candidate John Kerry.

"One wanted 10 grand and the other, \$30,000," she said. "So I thought, that isn't right, to say you believe in something and then charge \$30,000. I thought that was audacious."

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

SUB presents a screening of "The Terminal," starring Tom Hanks and Catherine Zeta-Jones, tonight and Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m. in DeBartolo 101. Tickets are \$3.

Randall Collins, professor of sociology from the University of Pennsylvania, presents "How Many People are Violent, and When? A Situational Theory" from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. today. He will speak in 119 O'Shaughnessy, and lunch will be provided.

The campus debate watch for the second Bush-Kerry debate is tonight at 8 p.m. in DeBartolo 141. Refreshments will be provided.

Dr. Robert Gwadz from the Laboratory of Malaria and Vector research lectures on "Science as a Political Tool in a Troubled World" today from 12:45 to 2 p.m. in the Galvin Auditorium. It is the inaugural lecture of the George B. Craig, Jr. Memorial Lecture Series.

The Saturday Scholar Series continues with Professor George Marsden's lecture on "Another Kind of Founding Father: Jonathan Edwards and the American Heritage." Marsden will speak from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium before Saturday's game.

MTV's Gideon Yago is speaking Sunday at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets are \$2 in the LaFortune Box Office.

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

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ND ghost featured on Travel Channel

Special to The Observer

Just in time for Halloween, Notre Dame's Washington Hall will be prominently featured in a television program titled "Haunted Campuses," scheduled to air this month and in December on The Travel Channel [local cable Channel 54]. Part of the network's "Weird Travels" series, the segment is set to air Oct. 24 and Dec. 18 at 9 p.m. and midnight.

A film crew visited campus this spring to tape the

program, which is likely to include interviews with University administrators, staff and students, as well as re-enactments of various legends and assorted campus footage.

Long fabled to be haunted (by the ghost of, among others, Notre Dame football great George Gipp), Washington Hall has set the stage for numerous ghost stories through the decades. These spooky tales have previously been featured in books, articles and other television programs.

Lilly Endowment donates grant

Company gives University \$3M for recruitment

Special to The Observer

Lilly Endowment Inc. has awarded a \$3 million grant to Notre Dame as part of a \$100 million program called the "Initiative to Recruit and Retain Intellectual Capital for Indiana Higher Education Institutions."

Announced earlier this year, the initiative invited 37 Indiana public and private colleges and universities to submit proposals for attracting or keeping the brightest and most talented minds in the state. The amount for each grant is dependent on the institutional enrollment. Notre Dame received the maximum offered under the endowment's guidelines.

Notre Dame will use the funds to recruit both new faculty and graduate students.

Within the faculty component, the University will award two Lilly Endowment Senior Fellowships each of the next three years to newly appointed senior faculty. The fellows will receive \$75,000 to support their research infrastructure, make library purchases, attend professional confer-

ences and assist with other activities related to their teaching and research. A second part of the faculty component, the Lilly Endowment Collegiate Chairs, will provide a \$50,000 fund each of the next three years to seven new young scholars for similar professional enhancement purposes.

"We believe the significant incentives provided by the Lilly Fellows and Lilly Collegiate Chairs programs will do much to help us attract and retain exceptionally talented senior and young scholars," said Provost Nathan Hatch.

Lilly Endowment deserves considerable credit for establishing this innovative program, and we at Notre Dame are thankful for this generous grant."

A second aspect of the grant will establish within the Graduate School the Lilly Endowment Fellowship program, components of which include:

♦ The recruitment of 25 doctoral students as Lilly Fellows each of the next three years, beginning in 2005. The

funds will be used to support students during their studies toward a doctorate.

♦ The recruitment of 45 Lilly Endowment Presidential Fellows in the College of Arts and Letters. Funds will increase stipends for students in the existing Presidential Fellowships program, and extend support to five years.

♦ The establishment of 30 Lilly Endowment Fellows in the Colleges of Science and Engineering. The funding will increase stipend levels of current research assistantships for four years of study, and increase the number of prize fellowships in the two colleges. Special attention will be given to recruiting women and students from traditionally underrepresented groups.

"We are most appreciative to Lilly Endowment Inc. for its support," said Jeffrey Kantor, vice president for graduate studies and research. "We believe the Lilly Endowment Fellowship program will bring to our region an exceptionally talented pool of advanced students who, in turn, will help us recruit exceptional faculty to the University. And, as they complete their doctoral degrees at Notre Dame, the Lilly Fellows will add significantly to the talent pool available to higher education and research driven economic development in Indiana."

Yale scholar will lecture on campus

Special to The Observer


Father Gerhard Böwering, professor of Islamic studies at Yale University, will give the first three of this year's Erasmus Lectures in the University of Notre Dame's Hesburgh Center auditorium later this month.

Father Böwering's lectures have the collective title "Islam and

Christianity: The Inner Dynamics of Two Cultures of Belief."

He will speak on "Origins and Common Roots" at 5 p.m. Oct. 25, on "One God with Many Faces" at 5 p.m. Oct. 27 and on "Scripture and Tradition" at 4 p.m. Oct. 29.

The series will be continued in the spring semester.



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political arrangement. In what many point to as the report's most important development, it addresses the need to appoint a National Intelligence Director.

Currently, there is one member of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) who holds the position of Head of the CIA and Director of Central Intelligence. The 9/11 Commission Report criticizes the policy of giving one person both hats.

According to the report, the solution to this problem lies in dividing these responsibilities between two people instead of one, and assigning the role of coordinating all intelligence from all different agencies to one appointed individual.

The creation of this role — often referred to ask a "national intelligence czar" — is currently up for debate in Congress, leading to concerns over whether the issue will be resolved before Congress adjourns.

Additionally, there is worry

that Congress will make mistakes in the rush to push the policy through this term.

"If Congress rushes ahead with intelligence reform, without adequate time to review and debate its own proposals, there could be nasty surprises when it comes time to implement the reforms," Daniel Lindley, political science professor, said.

Curtis Kamman, visiting political science professor, detailed the opposition's reasoning.

"The argument of the people who want to move ahead is that we have momentum and that people are still focused on the commission's findings. If you wait, you lose momentum, and it will be harder with a new Congress," Kamman said.

Repercussions from this debate are affecting the presidential election as well.

"Part of Bush's pitch is that he's a wartime president," said Lindley.

Therefore, although Bush first opposed the report, he now embraces its proposals, said Lindley.

In addition, according to Kamman, "by in large, those who support Kerry support the recommendations of the Commission."

"The key things the 9/11 Commission Report addresses are the ideas of changing the international community and the issue [and] role of Iraq and Al-Qaida and whether or not Iraq was a part of the terrorist network or not," Kamman said.

If the position of National Intelligence Director is incorporated into the current government structure, it brings up the question of how the current intelligence agencies and other governmental figures will treat this appointee.

"Will the old, hard to reform intelligence bureaucracies, like the FBI, play nicely with the NID, or resist its authority?" Lindley said. "... We want

to make sure the National Intelligence Director is not a political crony which you can do, in part, by making sure appointments have to be confirmed by the Senate."

Kamman noted that the report was unique in that members of both parties agreed on many of its proposals.

"This is the best bipartisan report that has come along for a long time," Kamman said.

While its 516 pages might deter most students from delving into the full text, Martha Merritt, associate director of the Kroc Institute, has incorporated the text into her senior seminar class, "The Struggle for Accountability."

"The 9/11 Commission Report is an important, fresh example of the kind of scrutiny, analysis, and recommendation that make democratic societies distinctive," Merritt said. "This particular document shows the important role the public plays in bringing pressure to bear once recommendations are made."

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also be important for us to find someone with a track record of success in recruiting a diverse student body."

There will be some new responsibilities for whoever is hired.

"It appears likely that our financial aid office will report to the new person," Mooney said. "The experience of other small colleges indicates that having both admissions and financial aid in the same division is very beneficial."

Looking past the downside of Nolan's departure, Mooney said she believes it opens new doors for both Nolan and The College.

"Mary Pat Nolan has provided the College with many years of wonderful service, and we will miss her greatly," Mooney said. "But, this change also provides us with the opportunity to reexamine our structures and the responsibilities associated with student enrollment and see how we might improve them."

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Guard

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rally that night.

They rise earlier than even the most die-hard of Saturday tailgaters to don the legendary Scottish plaid — a tradition inaugurated during the 1974 football season. It is literally a Guard trademark, as the pattern is officially registered in Scotland as Notre Dame Plaid, said alumnus guardsman Mark Baumgartner.

An hour and a half before kickoff, the Guard ushers the band onto the steps of Bond Hall for its morning concert, performing the time-honored Victory Clog and standing for inspection in front of the captain and Guardsmen alum.

The Guard then leads a procession across campus to Notre Dame stadium and onto the field. There, it performs the pre-game routine, halftime show and post-game ritual, which includes a repeat of the signature Victory Clog in the event of an Irish win.

Although the Guard requires a lot of commitment, it is all worthwhile, said Anderson.

"My most memorable experience on Guard was my first game, standing in the tunnel before we went onto the field and seeing the other team go into the locker room, and then leading the band onto the field," he said.

From an alumni perspective, memories were perhaps a little more golden and glorious in 1977.

"[My best memory] was standing on the field in Texas at the Cotton Bowl after we beat Texas to win the National Championship my senior year," Baumgartner said. "Nothing beats that feeling."

"It was fun, we took it seriously and despite what some people might think, we really cared that we represented the University. Not that we were always perfectly behaved young men out of uniform, but I think we presented the right mix of seriousness and fun."

As for the current Guardsmen, Baumgartner said this rule still holds true.

"[They're a] great bunch of guys," he said.

The Guard has always represented eminence and tradition to campus visitors, who delight in

meeting the Guard and posing for pictures with the kilted men.

"There were a lot of parents with little kids who wanted us to pose for pictures and things like that," Baumgartner said. "We always, and I mean always, did those things and always tried our best to make sure fans understood our desire to make the University proud of us."

Both then and now, the experience of the Guard has forged tight bonds between its members.


"It's awesome to be on the field on game day, but the best part is getting to know nine other guys and having a good time," Anderson said.

And, like other alumni, they've stayed close throughout the years.

"Even when I come back for a game, it is still the same thing, even if we don't know each other all that well, we are part of this brotherhood," Baumgartner said.


As for the biggest mystery shrouding the Guard's supposedly breezy attire, Anderson declined to comment.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Explosions near Egypt-Israeli border

CAIRO, Egypt — Three explosions shook popular resorts on Egypt's Sinai Peninsula on Thursday night as many Israelis vacationed at the close of a Jewish holiday. Officials said at least 30 people were killed and 114 wounded, and witnesses gave unconfirmed reports that all three explosions were caused by car bombs.

The first blast, about 10 p.m., shook the Hilton hotel in the Taba resort, only yards from the Israeli border, and Israel's army radio quoted Israeli security officials as saying they were convinced it was a car bomb.

"The whole front of the hotel has collapsed. There are dozens of people on the floor, lots of blood. It is very tense," witness Yigal Vakni told Israel's Army Radio. "I am standing outside of the hotel, the whole thing is burning and they have nothing to put it out with."

New leader in world child mortality

UNITED NATIONS — In Sierra Leone, one in four children dies before age 5. In Iraq, one in 10 does not make it to a fifth birthday. Across the globe, poor care for newborns, malnutrition, malaria, diarrhea and measles snuff out lives of the very young, according to a U.N. report released Friday.

The United Nations Children's Fund reported "alarmingly slow progress on reducing child deaths" — one in 12 children worldwide does not live to age 5, with half of all those deaths occurring in sub-Saharan Africa.

"It is incredible that in an age of technological and medical marvels, child survival is so tenuous in so many places, especially for the poor and marginalized," UNICEF director Carol Bellamy said.

NATIONAL NEWS

Singer arrested at airport

NEW YORK — The lead singer of the rock band Incubus was arrested for carrying a switchblade in his bag while trying to board a plane on his way to a concert in North Carolina.

Brandon Boyd, 28, was stopped Wednesday at LaGuardia Airport when baggage screeners spotted the knife in his carry-on luggage, said Lou Martinez, a spokesman for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which operates the airport.

Boyd was charged with criminal possession of a weapon but was able to continue on to Raleigh, N.C., in time for the concert, said a spokeswoman for the band's label, Epic Records.

Corporate tax bill debated

WASHINGTON — The House moved toward passage Thursday of the most sweeping rewrite of corporate tax law in nearly two decades, a measure designed to end a nasty trade war with Europe and \$136 billion in new tax breaks on businesses, farmers and other groups.

Supporters argued that the centerpiece of the legislation — tax relief for American factories — was critically needed to aid beleaguered manufacturers who have suffered 2.7 million lost jobs over the past four years.

But opponents charged that the tax package had grown into a massive giveaway that will add to the complexity of the tax system and end up rewarding multinational companies that move jobs overseas.

LOCAL NEWS

Police officer shoots Elkhart man

ELKHART, Ind. — A city police officer fatally shot a 68-year-old man while serving a warrant at a downtown apartment, police said.

The man was taken to Elkhart General Hospital, shortly after 9:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Police said the man died at the hospital. Indiana State Police were called in to investigate the shooting.

Police initially reported no details of the shooting, other than to acknowledge it was "officer-involved" — an officer had fired the shot.

Officers were at the building serving a search warrant, police said.

Rockets slam into Baghdad hotel

Three strong explosions hit Sheraton hotel where many Westerners resided

Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Rockets struck a Baghdad hotel housing foreign contractors and journalists late Thursday, drawing return fire and underscoring the precarious security in the heart of the Iraqi capital. Outside Baghdad, roadside bombings killed two more American soldiers.

More scattered explosions reverberated through the heart of the Iraqi capital around midnight, but it wasn't known what caused the blasts or if there were any casualties.

The rocket attacks came as an aide to radical Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr offered to disarm his Mahdi Army militia in a move that could bring an end to weeks of fighting in Baghdad's Shiite district Sadr City. The government cautiously welcomed the offer and suggested other militant groups also lay down their arms.

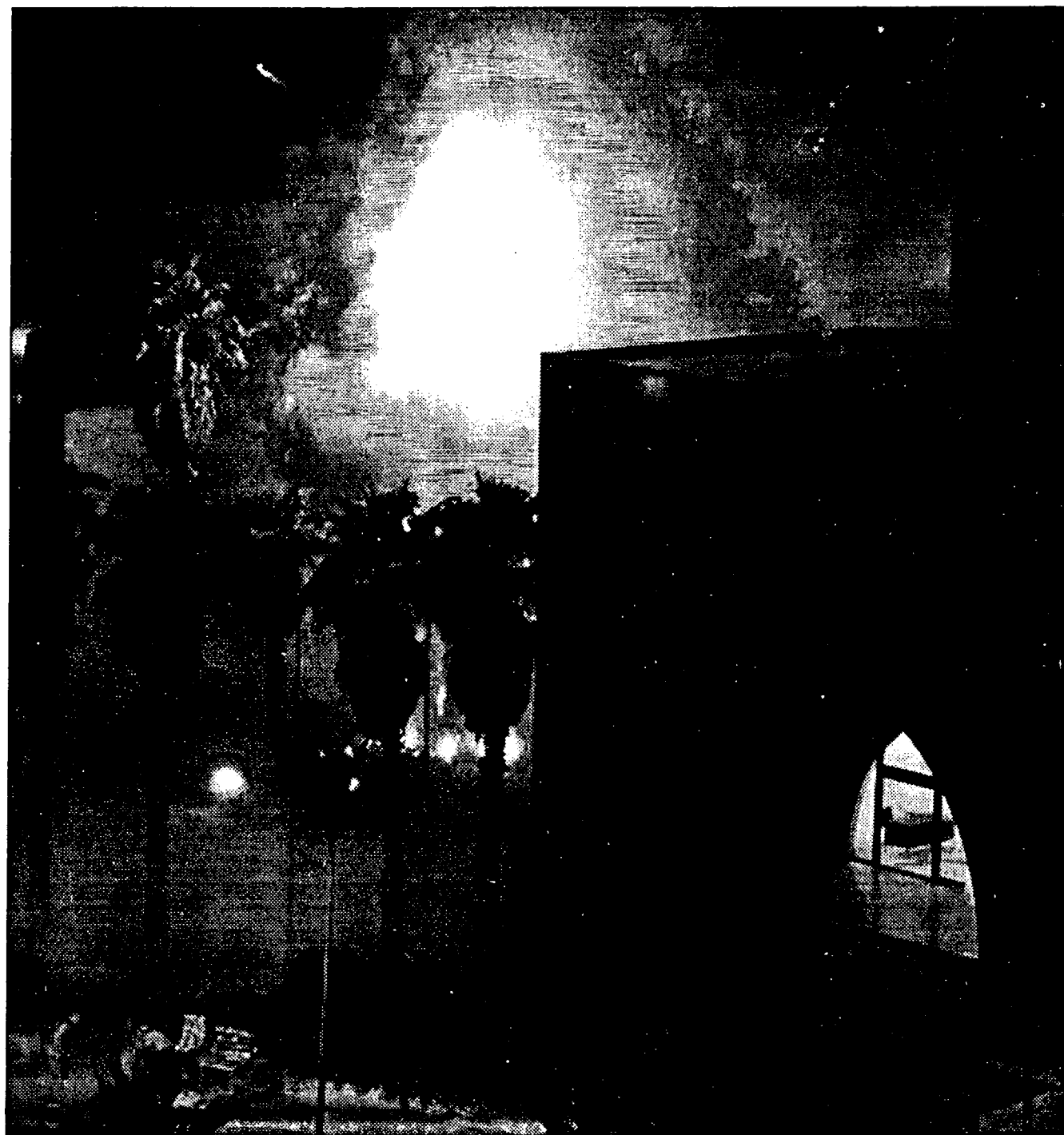
Three Katyusha rockets slammed into the Sheraton hotel, the Interior Ministry said, triggering thunderous explosions, shattering windows and setting off small fires. Dazed guests, including Western journalists, contractors and a bride and groom on their wedding night stumbled to safety through the smoke and debris.

"I made a mistake by booking at the Sheraton," said Hayer Abdul Zahra, holding his shivering bride under his arm. "I knew something like this would happen."

There were no deaths or serious injuries, Iraqi officials said.

The hotels, which have been targeted by rockets and mortars before, stand as symbols of continued U.S. and Western dominance in Iraq despite the formal handover of power to an interim Iraqi government June 28.

Interior Ministry spokesman Col. Adnan Abdul-Rahman said the



A fire burns outside the Sheraton Hotel in Iraq, after several explosions and gunfire erupted outside the hotel housing foreigners and journalists in Baghdad.

rockets were fired from the back of a minibus parked near Firdous Square, where jubilant crowds hauled down a statue of Saddam Hussein on April 9, 2003, marking the fall of the capital to American forces.

A fourth rocket blew up inside the vehicle, he said, as security guards responded with ear-shattering volleys of automatic weapons and machine gun fire.

"It was a shattering explosion, a crack and then a massive, massive thud," said John Cookson of Fox News, which maintains an office in the Sheraton. "The whole room shook."

Late Thursday, residents reported strong explosions northwest of the Sunni

insurgent stronghold Fallujah.

Earlier, in the capital, a mortar shell exploded in the U.S.-controlled Green Zone across the Tigris River from the hotel compound. There was no report of damage or casualties.

U.S. authorities raised a security alert in the Green Zone after an improvised bomb was found in front of a restaurant there on Tuesday. A U.S. military ordnance detachment safely disarmed the device, U.S. officials said.

American and Iraqi authorities are trying to curb the growing insurgency in Baghdad and elsewhere in order for national elections to take place by

the end of January. Some U.S. military officials have expressed doubt that balloting can be held in all parts of the country.

In an effort to restore order, the government of Prime Minister Ayad Allawi has been talking with representatives from insurgency hotspots, including the radical Shiite stronghold Sadr City in the northeast of the capital.

Late Thursday, a spokesman for al-Sadr, the militant Shiite leader, offered to hand over medium and heavy weapons and cooperate with Iraqi security forces if the government will stop pursuing militia members and release the cleric's followers in detention.

Schools warned about terrorist threats

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Education Department is advising school leaders nationwide to watch for people spying on their buildings or buses to help detect any possibility of terrorism like the deadly school siege in Russia.

The warning follows an analysis by the FBI and the Homeland Security Department of the siege that killed nearly 340 people, many of them students, in the city of Beslan last month.

"The horror of this attack may have created significant anxiety in our own country among parents, students,

faculty staff and other community members," Deputy Education Secretary Eugene Hickok said in a letter sent Wednesday to schools and education groups.

The advice is based on lessons learned from the Russia siege. But there is no specific information indicating a terrorist threat to any schools or universities in the United States, Hickok said.

Federal law enforcement officials also have urged local police to stay in contact with school officials and have encouraged reporting of suspicious activities, the letter says.

In particular, schools were told to watch for activities that may be legiti-

mate on their own — but may suggest a threat if many of them occur.

Among those activities:

- ◆ Interest in obtaining site plans for schools, bus routes and attendance lists.

- ◆ Prolonged "static surveillance" by people disguised as panhandlers, shoe shiners, newspaper or flower vendors or street sweepers not previously seen in the area.

- ◆ Observations of security drills.

- ◆ People staring at or quickly looking away from employees or vehicles as they enter or leave parking areas.

- ◆ Foot surveillance of campuses involving individuals working together.

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adding that previous services were difficult to maintain because they were student-run — an issue he proposed to solve by hiring a trained, uniformed monitor to supervise the bus.

"This time, people will be paid to do it, so there will be more accountability," Istvan said.

But finding those people could be difficult, another trustee pointed out.

"You have to keep in mind that you have a group of people that aren't in their best moment," she said, recalling fights and vomiting that took place aboard other vans and buses. "Students are at their worst ... it takes some unusual people to handle that."

And if those people are University employees, the situation becomes even more complex, the first trustee said.

Since Notre Dame staffers are prohibited from tolerating underage drinking when they observe it, putting NDSP in charge of the bus as the report suggested would inevitably lead to conflicts and perhaps to ticketing, he said.

Considering the tragedies that have occurred when students were walking back to Notre Dame, the University should take a reasonable amount of underage drinking into context, Istvan said. Slightly intoxicated students are often given leeway in on-campus locations like Reckers and LaFortune, Baron added.

"If they are visibly and horrendously intoxicated, then [disciplinary] action will be taken," he said.

The trustee remained unconvinced.

"Do you know what you're asking the University to do? They

can't do that," he said. "You're asking the campus to oversee something and ignore something it can't ignore ... There is no way that I would endorse a bus that says if a student gets on a bus — underage [or] overage — intoxicated, that I would turn a blind eye to it."

The bus's proposed route, which would be traveled every Saturday and Sunday morning from 1 a.m. to 4 a.m., was also a point of contention.

Several trustees pressed Istvan on his promise that the bus would not become a way for students to get to parties, but would solely be used for returning home.

"You want to protect students coming back — [but] it's just as dangerous going there," one trustee said, adding that the

SafeBus would "put the University in the middle of encouraging students to go off-campus and party."

"The route is set up as party-hopping," another trustee said.

The presenters defended the route and stressed that rules of the bus would be well-publicized to students. Certain stops will only allow students to get on the bus, Istvan said.

He added that he, Bell and Baron had not approached the Board expecting a ringing endorsement.

"Our idea was not to have you approve [the SafeBus]," he said. "Our idea was to make this a priority — we want no one left behind."

The priority of student safety was never disputed, one trustee said.

"We endorse that concept, but if SafeBus is the way to do it is what we're questioning," he said.

The Board also largely brushed off South Bend Mayor Stephen Luecke's public support for the project, saying that the mayor

would naturally be eager to have the University instead of the city assume liability for off-campus parties.

However, the Board praised the officers' other initiatives for promoting off-campus security, especially Istvan's goal to create "neighborhoods of respect."

"It's not about [our neighbors] knowing us," Istvan said. "If we know them, we can be more conscious and respectful."

Along with student involvement on neighborhood boards, the off-campus seminar was also enthusiastically embraced by the Board. Requiring mandatory seminar participation for all students moving off-campus would not be out of the question, he said.

He concluded his remarks with the observation that collaboration between student government and NDSP to create a comprehensive plan for off-campus protection was also a valid goal.

"We should have clarity and thoroughness in how we deal with security off-campus," the trustee said. "But relative to the bus, lots of legitimate concerns were raised ... [you should] throw that back in for more thorough vetting."

Istvan, Bell and Baron said they planned to do just that.

"They didn't say no," Istvan said. "In fact, he said yes to looking into it. That's not a 'yes, it will exist,' but it's a 'yes, we should pursue it.'"

Following the advice of the Board, the three will now pursue the SafeBus plan through Student Senate and the CLC, Baron said. When asked why the student leaders didn't follow that route in the first place, Baron minimized SafeBus' role in the overall report.

"SafeBus was one of many suggested topics under the off-campus safety heading," he said. "We got three out of four."

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Roemer

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enough to be involved and committed to [their own security]."

A principal author of the legislation that created the National Commission on Terrorist Acts Upon the United States, Roemer highlighted the four failures identified in the report: a failure of imagination, in which the intelligence community did not assess the possibility of attacks within the United States' borders; a failure of management, in which the director of the Central Intelligence Agency lacked the budgetary authority to be effective; a failure of capabilities, in which military options were confined to a cold-war mentality; and a failure of policy, in which neither the Clinton nor Bush administration put terrorism as its top priority.

Instead of using a "heads will roll" mindset to compensate for these failures, Roemer said the commission aimed for creating a global strategy to win the war on terror.

And he is sure that America's resources — especially military, education and economic assistance — are up to the task.

"We need to use all the arrows in our quiver of American power and resources," Roemer said. "... to convince the Arab and Muslim world that we will not tolerate [their religion] being twisted."

Another major recommendation of the commission, which included five Democrats and five Republicans, was that the government create a cabinet-level national intelligence director, Roemer said.

"Too many times, we were close

to connecting the dots ... but we couldn't draw them together," he said. "Intelligence was like precious pearls — too precious to share."

A director with the budgetary power to ensure sharing is essential, Roemer said — but not under the title that has thus far been popular with the press.

"You don't create a czar, that's the last thing he should be called," the former Congressman said. "We need to create somebody with responsibility and accountability that can create a bridge between overseas and our country."

That scenario would be much improved from the current one, he added.

If intelligence is not streamlined through the bureaucracy, Roemer said, our government will continue to be "an elephant chasing a snake."

Roemer was also critical of Congress.

"If they can't fix themselves, they have a hard time telling FBI and the CIA to fix their own problems," he said.

Recalling the story of Flight 93 — which, due to the heroism of its passengers, crashed in a field in Pennsylvania, not into a national landmark in Washington — Roemer called those aboard "the first patriots and heroes of the war on terror."

"They did that for us — now what can we do?" he asked. "It takes a lot of tenacity and courage to get change ... We had such a great unity of spirit, unity of purpose, unity of values on September 11 and right after — and now we can have it back if we want it."

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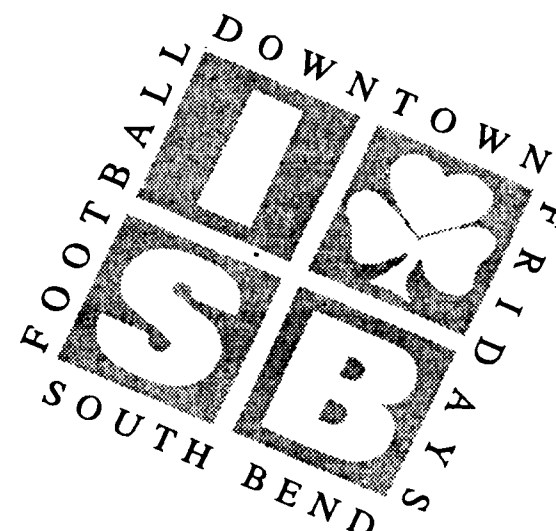
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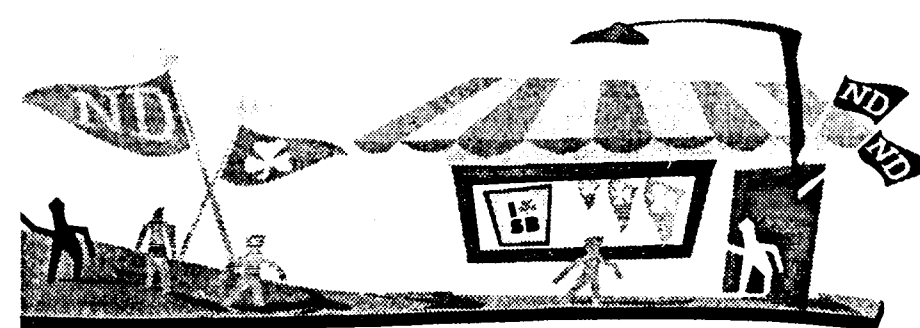


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IN BRIEF

AT&T expands job cut plan

NEW YORK — AT&T Corp. announced Thursday that it is cutting at least 7,500 more jobs and slashing the value of its assets by \$11.4 billion, drastic moves prompted by the company's plan to retreat from the traditional consumer telephone business.

The company now plans to shrink its work force by more than a fifth, or about 12,500 jobs, during 2004 — up from a previous target of about 4,900 jobs.

Severance costs and other expenses related to the job cuts will reduce third-quarter earnings by \$1.1 billion, the company said.

The asset writedown of \$11.4 billion amounts to about a quarter of the company's assets, and reflects the reduced value of AT&T's network now that it will be carrying less consumer voice traffic.

"In response to recent regulatory developments and a highly competitive market, we have made some tough decisions to reduce our work force and cut costs," said AT&T chairman and chief executive Dave Dorman.

Eyeglass maker moving to Cincinnati

TWINSBURG, Ohio — The new parent company of eyeglass retailer Cole National Corp. said Wednesday it plans to shift Cole's 800-employee administrative and service operations center from suburban Cleveland to the Cincinnati area.

Italian eyeglass maker Luxottica Group SPA completed its \$495 million takeover Tuesday of Cleveland-based Cole, which operated the Pearle Vision retail chain and eyeglass operations in Sears, BJ's and Target stores.

"Luxottica Group will fully integrate its North American retail division and Cole National into one business," the company said.

Luxottica said many of the affected employees would be offered jobs at its Cincinnati-area location but had no figures.

"We're looking to move as many as possible," spokesman Luca Biondolillo said by phone from Milan, Italy.

Twinsburg Mayor Katherine Procop said she has begun a search for a new corporate tenant for Cole National's 170,000 square feet of office space. The operation generated about \$640,000, or more than 3.5 percent, of Twinsburg's annual \$17.5 million in income taxes, she said.

Microsoft to unveil new updates

PC industry to expand into the living room with the appeal of digital media

Associated Press

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Efforts by Microsoft Corp. and the PC industry to expand into the living room will get a boost next week as they show off technologies that try to balance Hollywood's piracy fears with the appeal of digital media.

In Los Angeles, Microsoft is expected to unveil Windows Media Center Edition 2005 for entertainment computers as well as other software and gadgets that seek to simplify sharing video and music while enforcing copyrights.

Separately but not coincidentally, Intel Corp. will be in New York showing off prototypes for entertainment PCs.

The industry is touting such systems as the best example yet of the PC's convergence with couch-centric diversions — a goal that has so far proven elusive despite repeated attempts.

This time, the stars may be aligning for success: Hollywood is opening its vaults of songs and movies to digital distribution. The hardware is better and cheaper. And new software makes using an entertainment PC as easy as clicking a remote control.

The high-performance computer systems being unveiled next week promise to serve music, pictures, video and live television to stereos, TV sets and other displays.

Depending on the setup, the PCs also can support high-definition digital TV, multiple analog TV streams, radio and other content.

They also will allow sharing over home networks and with portable devices.

"Consumers don't want to be tethered down to a specific place in the home where they have to enjoy their content," said Rebecca Brown, Intel's consumer desktop market-



Microsoft, under chairman Bill Gates, is expected to unveil other software and gadgets that simplify sharing video and music while enforcing copyrights.

ing manager.

But it remains to be seen how easy it will be to use devices that incorporate the new technologies particularly as they juggle user friendliness with Hollywood's determination to prevent unauthorized copying of intellectual property.

"You can put a lot of things down in words and on paper," said Phil Leigh, senior analyst at Inside Digital Media. "But the devil is in the details — and whether or not it's a successful product or a Frankenstein."

At the forefront of Microsoft's announcement will be Windows Media Center Edition 2005, an update to an existing vari-

ation of Windows XP Professional that includes software for playing or recording video, music and other media from a distance using a remote control.

Since the Media Center was introduced in 2002, Microsoft has been trying to supplant the home stereo center, incorporating the functions of a DVD player, digital VCR, stereo and TV into a single PC.

But the first generations suffered from some annoying quirks that reminded users they were still using PCs. There were times, for instance, that users were left reaching for a keyboard to clear an error message.

To burn a song to a CD,

people had to use software that also wasn't designed to be managed with a remote control. And TV picture quality also wasn't up to snuff.

The new version, code-named Symphony, is expected to address many of those concerns. Microsoft declined to comment on any of the announcements.

Through computer specifications disclosed by PC vendors and announcements from hardware makers and others, however, it's clear the software giant will be incorporating such long-awaited features as support for two TV tuners so a live program can be watched while another is recorded.

More companies offering same-sex benefits

Associated Press

DETROIT — After initially lagging behind companies in other states, a growing number of Michigan employers now are offering same-sex domestic partner benefits.

About 55 Detroit area employers — including private companies, government agencies and nonprofits — now offer same-sex benefits, up from just a handful in 1997, according to the Human Rights Campaign, a Washington-based gay advocacy group.

But the issue remains a hot topic. Michigan's Nov. 2 ballot includes a proposal that could ban gay marriage, and some workers worry its passage

could lead to legal challenges to same-sex benefits at municipal employers or universities.

Some companies are going beyond basic health care benefits, offering dental, life insurance, bereavement leave and other benefits to its gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender employees and their families.

"If we offer it for spouses, we also offer it for same-sex domestic partners," Dan Smith, senior vice president of human resources for Ann Arbor-based Borders Group Inc., told The Detroit News for a Thursday story.

But employee participation by same-sex couples in Michigan has been limited. Only 250 hourly and salaried

Ford Motor Co. workers are enrolled in the automaker's health care program for domestic partners. The company had anticipated about 1,600 would sign up when Ford, General Motors Corp. and DaimlerChrysler AG introduced same-sex benefits in 2000.

Participation rates are low for a variety of reasons. Some couples choose to receive benefits through their individual employers. Others don't want the additional tax burden. Because gay relationships are not recognized by the federal or state government, couples generally have to pay taxes on these benefits. Employees also may have concerns about exposing their sexual orientation in the workplace.

AFGHANISTAN

Rocket hits Kabul the day before elections

Associated Press

KABUL — A rocket slammed into the Afghan capital near the U.S. Embassy and other diplomatic missions early Friday, a day before landmark elections. All U.S. embassy staff were ordered to briefly take cover in an underground bunker.

The rocket hit a parking lot near a media accreditation center for the elections, causing no damage or casualties, said Lt. Commander Ken MacKillop, a spokesman for international peacekeepers.

He said peacekeepers suspected a second rocket may have hit nearby, but no impact site was found.

"We are alert and investigating," he said.

Heavily armed U.S. and Afghan troops sealed off the roads leading to the diplomatic area.

Beth Lee, a spokeswoman for the U.S. embassy, said all staff had been ordered to take cover in an underground bunker as a precaution. A senior U.S. official in Washington said embassy staff were allowed out of the bunkers a short time later.

The blast shattered a relatively calm lead-up to Saturday's vote, at least in the capital. It was loud enough to shake windows and rouse people from bed.

The headquarters for the 9,000-strong NATO-led International Security Assistance Force is also close to the U.S. Embassy, as are the German and Pakistani missions.

It was the first apparent attack in Kabul since August 28, when a huge car bomb outside a private U.S. security firm killed 10 people — three of them Americans. The Americans were helping train anti-narcotics police.

Taliban and al-Qaida rebels have kept up a steady stream of attacks throughout Afghanistan since campaigning for the election began Sept. 7, but they have so far failed to launch the type of high-impact assault that might derail the vote.

Afghanistan's Interior Minister Ali Ahmad Jalali said Thursday that Afghan forces had thwarted at least 20 attacks and arrested more than 100 people since the start of the campaign, but that the rebels had managed more than 60 rocket or bomb attacks during the period, most in the provinces.

He put the death toll at more than 60 — including 15 civilians, 19 security forces and 30 suspected rebels. Six Afghan troops were taken hostage.

In addition to rebel violence, drug smugglers are believed to be posing an increasingly large threat to the country's stability.

Jalali said drug traffickers, not the Taliban, were responsible for an attack Wednesday on interim leader Hamid Karzai's vice presidential running mate, Ahmed Zia Massood.

One person was killed and five others wounded in the bombing, including the former governor of Badakhshan, a mountainous northeastern poppy-growing region. Massood was unhurt.

Jalali said "the evidence shows that it was the work of drug smugglers, because this process

[the election] is against their interests."

The attack was the third against Karzai and his political allies since campaigning began. The president survived a rocket assault on his helicopter on Sept. 16 in the eastern city of Gardez, and one of his four current vice presidents survived a bomb attack four days later. The Taliban was suspected in those attacks.

During the last major political event in Kabul, the loya jirga, or grand council, in December and January, militants fired a series of rockets on the city, though there were no casualties.

Karzai on Thursday praised his people for embracing the elections, despite the recent bloodshed. He acknowledged problems of rebel violence

and warlord intimidation — even some being carried out in his name — but said Afghanistan could not wait forever to hold its vote.

"No election in the world is free of tension ... we all know that," Karzai said in an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp. "Afghanistan will not be an exception."

"We are alert and investigating."

Lt. Commander Ken MacKillop
spokesman for international peacekeepers

GERMANY

U.S. troop finishes extended duty



Soldiers of the U.S. 1st Armored Division, known as the 'Old Ironsides', carry flags during the welcoming ceremony Thursday. The soldiers paid tribute to 130 comrades who died in Iraq.

Associated Press

WIESBADEN — Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz welcomed the U.S. Army's 1st Armored Division back to its German base Thursday after an extended, 15-month tour of duty in Iraq, joining with soldiers to pay tribute to 130 comrades killed in the Middle East.

Soldiers representing the division's individual battalions, brigades and companies lined up in full battle gear, helmets and desert fatigues as the homecoming ceremony opened with a 15-gun salute for Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez, the head

of V Corps and formerly the top military commander in Iraq.

Wolfowitz greeted the soldiers and their relatives with a message of welcome from President Bush.

"Our country is proud of your service and I am proud to be your commander in chief," Bush's letter said.

The division's troops returned by the end of July and many immediately went on

leave, leading to the delayed welcoming ceremony. After a year in Iraq, their tour was extended by three months to help deal with rising violence.

Eight 1st Armored Division soldiers based in the town of Baumholder were killed in a single attack near Baghdad on April 29. The division was supposed to have begun returning home by then, and the extension was a difficult time for service members and families.

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CAMPAIGN NEWS

Bush says rival is misleading

WAUSAU, Wis. — President Bush on Thursday accused Sen. John Kerry of misleading Americans, trying to turn the tables on the Democrat who argues that the commander in chief has not been candid with the nation about Iraq and the economy.

Responding to Kerry's criticism just hours earlier, the Republican incumbent described his rival's words as "overheated rhetoric." Bush dismissed the Democrat's complaint that the administration exaggerated its main rationale for war — weapons of mass destruction — and was shifting to another explanation.

Bush citing comments Kerry made in October 2002 when the four-term Massachusetts senator voted for the congressional resolution authorizing the use of force in Iraq.

"Now today, my opponent tried to say I made up reasons to go to war," Bush said to boos from his friendly audience. "Just who's the one trying to mislead the American people?"

Bush did not mention the final report from the chief U.S. weapons hunter in Iraq, who concluded that Saddam Hussein's weapons programs had deteriorated before the U.S.-led invasion that toppled his regime. Bush addressed the report before leaving Washington, telling reporters he was "right to take action" in Iraq.

Kerry assails Bush on Iraq

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — Sen. John Kerry said Thursday that President Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney have failed to recognize a deteriorating situation in postwar Iraq and "may well be the last two people on the planet who won't face the truth."

In his strongest statement yet, the Democratic presidential nominee said if Bush fails to recognize the severity of problems in Iraq, the situation could become as chaotic as the Middle East was in the early 1980s.

"If the president just does more of the same every day and it continues to deteriorate, I may be handed Lebanon, figuratively speaking," Kerry said at a brief news conference.

The Lebanese civil war, which lasted from 1975-1990, killed more than 150,000 people and devastated the capital of Beirut, once called the "Paris of the Middle East."

In 1983, suicide attacks against the U.S. Embassy in Lebanon killed 63 people, and the bombing of U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut six months later killed 241 servicemen. Dozens of Westerners were taken hostage during that period, and President Reagan ordered U.S. troops to withdraw from Lebanon a few months after the Marine bombing.

Kerry also spoke the day after Charles Duelfer, the U.S. weapons hunter in Iraq, reported that Saddam Hussein's weapons of mass destruction programs had deteriorated by March 2003. Kerry said the report "provided definitive evidence as to why George Bush should not be re-elected president of the United States."

Bush conceded Thursday that Iraq did not have the stockpiles of banned weapons he had warned of before the invasion. But he maintained that Saddam retained the "means and the intent" to produce weapons of mass destruction and that the United States was right to take action against him.

Candidates gear up for debate

Bush, Kerry look to improve performances in town-hall formatted face-off

Associated Press

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — President Bush needs to do a lot more than improve his body language for Friday night's second debate, says Democrat John Edwards. The Republicans say it's John Kerry who's got the explaining to do about his policies.

"The president of the United States, in order to perform well in a debate, needs to do more than not screw up his face and needs to do more than string a sentence together," vice presidential candidate Edwards said Thursday in Bayonne, N.J. "He needs to level with the American people."

Bush's campaign manager, Ken Mehlman, sees the debate differently. He said, "It's an opportunity for Senator Kerry to defend a 30-year record of being wrong on defense" and to explain how he'd pay for an expansive domestic agenda.

Bush's performance in last week's first debate in Miami was widely criticized, especially the grimaces he made while Kerry was answering some questions. The arrangement will be different at Friday night's confrontation — a town hall-style format with audience members rather than journalists asking the questions at Washington University in St. Louis.



Charlie Gibson, a co-host on ABC's "Good Morning America," prepares to moderate the second presidential debate, held tonight at Washington University in St. Louis.

There will be new information on the economy and the Iraq war for the candidates to fight over: this week's report from the U.S. arms inspector and new figures, due out Friday morning, on national unemployment.

Democrats say the last job numbers released by the Labor Department before the election are bound to show that Bush is the first president since the Depression to preside over an economy with fewer jobs at the end of his term than when he started. Bush will

focus on recent improvement.

The candidates were already battling on Thursday about the arms inspector's report that found no evidence Iraq produced any weapons of mass destruction after 1991.

Bush, at the White House, said the report showed that the Iraqi leader had retained "the knowledge, the materials, the means and the intent" to produce weapons of mass destruction.

Kerry, in Colorado, said the report showed Iraq had essentially dismantled its

weapons program. "You don't make up or find reasons to go to war after the fact," he said.

Both campaigns portrayed the other's candidate as having the advantage in a town hall-style debate. At the same time, they questioned how many viewers would tune in on a Friday night.

A new Associated Press-Ipsos Public Affairs poll suggests Kerry goes into the second debate with at least one advantage over Bush. Nearly six in 10 respondents said the country was headed down the wrong track.

Kerry takes lead, gains ground over Bush

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Sen. John Kerry has taken a slim lead over President Bush, according to an Associated Press poll that shows the president's support tumbling on personal qualities, the war in Iraq and the commander in chief's bedrock campaign issue — national security.

Fewer voters than a month ago believe Bush is the best man to protect the country and fight the Iraq war.

The AP-Ipsos Public Affairs poll, completed on the eve of the second presidential debate, showed a reversal from early September, when the Republican incumbent had the momentum and a

minuscule lead. With bloodshed increasing in Iraq, Kerry sharpened his attacks, and Bush stumbled in their initial debate.

Among 944 likely voters, the Kerry-Edwards ticket led Bush-Cheney 50 percent to 46 percent. The Oct. 4-6 survey had a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The race was tied 47-47 percent among all registered voters, with a 2.5 point margin of error. Other polls show the race just as tight.

Nearly three-fourths of likely voters who were surveyed said they had watched or listened to the first presidential debate last week. Some 39 percent said they came away with a more

favorable view of Kerry, while just 8 percent felt better about Bush.

"I was more comfortable with Kerry after the debate," said Louis Robinson, a 66-year-old retiree from Pittsburgh. "I just like the way he carried himself." Nearly a third of likely voters who watched said the debate gave them a less favorable view of Bush.

Nearly six in 10 of all the people questioned — likely voters or not — said the country was headed on the wrong track, reflecting a gloomy national mood that could jeopardize Bush's reelection bid. His overall approval rating among likely voters, 46 percent, was at its lowest point since June — down from 54 percent in late September.

SOUND BITE: DRUG IMPORTS

Should the government legalize the importation of cheaper prescription drugs from Canada or other countries?



Bush

"I believe my primary responsibility is to protect the safety and well-being of the American people. As such, the security of our drug supply is a priority. Any drug importation plan must guarantee Americans the safety and effectiveness they currently have under the gold-standard of the Food and Drug Administration. I have appointed Surgeon General Richard Carmona to lead a federal task force to determine what resources and authority would be needed to ensure that importation could be done safely. Since 2001, I have worked to lower the costs of medicines for all Americans by passing a new Medicare drug benefit to cut seniors' drug costs in half. We have also closed loopholes to speed safe and effective generic drugs to market, saving American consumers \$35 billion in drug costs over 10 years."



Kerry

"Yes. It's right to allow reimportation of safe, FDA-approved prescription drugs to give our seniors affordable access to the substantial discounts for prescriptions available in Canada and other countries. George Bush would rather export American jobs to other countries instead of importing affordable prescription drugs. The prescription drug industry charges Americans the highest prices for prescription drugs in the world, while reaping high profits. I will allow individuals, pharmacists, wholesalers and distributors to reimport FDA-approved prescription drugs from other countries at lower prices with systems to ensure safety as well as lower costs. I have called on President Bush to support reimportation legislation which has support from Republicans — from Trent Lott to John McCain — but he continues to cave in to pressure from the drug industry"

Bush, Cheney admit Iraq had no WMDs

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush and his vice president conceded Thursday in the clearest terms yet that Saddam Hussein had no weapons of mass destruction, even as they tried to shift the Iraq war debate to a new issue — whether the invasion was justified because Saddam was abusing a U.N. oil-for-food program.

Ridiculing the Bush administration's evolving rationale for war, Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry shot back: "You don't make up or find reasons to go to war after the fact."

Vice President Dick Cheney brushed aside the central findings of chief U.S. weapons hunter Charles Duelfer — that Saddam not only had no weapons of mass destruction and had not made any since 1991, but that he had no capability of making any either — while Bush unapologetically defended his decision to invade Iraq.

"The Duelfer report showed that Saddam was systematically gaming the system, using the U.N. oil-for-food program to try to influence countries and companies in an effort to undermine sanctions," Bush said as he prepared to fly to campaign events in Wisconsin. "He was doing so with the intent of restarting his weapons program once the world looked away."

Duelfer found no formal plan by Saddam to resume WMD production, but the inspector surmised that Saddam intended to do so if U.N. sanctions were lifted. Bush seized upon that inference, using the word "intent" three times in reference to Saddam's plans to resume making weapons.

This week marks the first time that the Bush administration has listed abuses in the oil-for-fuel program as an Iraq war rationale. But the strategy holds risks because some of the countries that could be implicated include U.S. allies, such as Poland, Jordan and Egypt. In addition, the United States itself played a significant role in both the creation of the program and how it was operated and overseen.

For his part, Cheney dismissed the significance of Duelfer's central findings, telling supporters in Miami, "The headlines all say 'no weapons of mass destruction stockpiled in Baghdad.' We already knew that."

The vice president said he found other parts of the report "more intriguing," including the finding that Saddam's main goal was the removal of international sanctions.

"As soon as the sanctions were lifted, he had every intention of going back" to his weapons program, Cheney said.

The report underscored that "delay, defer, wait, wasn't an option," Cheney said. And he told a later forum in Fort Myers, Fla., speaking of the oil-for-food program: "The sanctions regime was coming apart at the seams. Saddam perverted that whole thing and generated billions of dollars."

Yet Bush and Cheney acknowledged more definitively than before that Saddam did not have the banned weapons that both men had asserted he did — and

had cited as the major justification before attacking Iraq in March 2003.

Bush has recently left the question open. For example, when asked in June whether he thought such weapons had existed in Iraq, Bush said he would "wait until Charlie [Duelfer] gets back with the final report."

In July, Bush said, "We have not found stockpiles of weapons of mass destruction," a sentence construction that kept alive the possibility the weapons might yet be discovered.

On Thursday, the president used the clearest language to date nailing the question shut:

"Iraq did not have the weapons that our intelligence believed were there," Bush said. His words placed the blame on U.S. intelligence agencies.

In recent weeks, Cheney has glossed over the primary justification for the war, most often by simply not mentioning it. But in late January 2004, Cheney told reporters in Rome: "There's still work to be done to ascertain exactly what's there."

"You don't make up or find reasons to go to war after the fact."

John Kerry
presidential candidate

"The jury is still out," he told National Public Radio the same week, when asked whether Iraq had possessed banned weapons.

Duelfer's report was presented

Wednesday to senators and the public with less than four weeks left in a fierce presidential campaign dominated by questions about Iraq and the war on terror.

In Bayonne, N.J., Democratic vice presidential candidate John Edwards on Thursday called "amazing" Cheney's assertions that the Duelfer report justified rather than undermined Bush's decision to go to war, and he accused the Republican of using "convoluted logic."

Kerry, in a campaign appearance in Colorado, said: "The president of the United States and the vice president of the United States may well be the last two people on the planet who won't face the truth about Iraq."

A short time later, while campaigning in Wisconsin, Bush angrily responded to Kerry's charge he sought to "make up" a reason for war.

"He's claiming I misled America about weapons when he, himself, cited the very same intelligence about Saddam weapons programs as the reason he voted to go to war," Bush said. Citing a lengthy Kerry quote from two years ago on the menace Saddam could pose, Bush said: "Just who's the one trying to mislead the American people?"

ETHIOPIA

Blair explores problems in Africa

Prime minister calls for international action against poverty

Associated Press

ADDIS ABABA — British Prime Minister Tony Blair — bedeviled by Iraq and in search of a more positive legacy — called Thursday for concerted international action to finally address the crises afflicting Africa, the only continent to have grown poorer over the last 40 years.

Britain is preparing to use its upcoming chairmanship of the G-8 group of industrialized nations to spearhead the effort, and at a conference to discuss Africa's future, Blair pressed the international community to raise \$150 million to help those caught up in violence in Sudan's Darfur region.

Blair also said Britain plans to train 20,000 African peacekeepers over the next five years to boost the continent's

ability to respond to conflicts like that in Darfur — where pro-government Arab militia have been raiding African villages, killings tens of thousands and pushing more than one million from their homes.

Poverty and weak governments make Africa fertile ground for terrorists, Blair warned.

The British prime minister was in Ethiopia to chair a meeting of his Africa Commission, which he says will spell out what Africa needs to develop and explain what has held it back. The commission's findings are expected in time for Britain's G-8 presidency and the leadership of the European Union later in 2005.

"Next year will be the year of decision for Africa and the international community," Blair told the commission,

whose members include Band Aid star Bob Geldof, Tanzanian President Benjamin Mkapa and Ethiopian Prime Minister Meles Zenawi. "The time for excuses will be over."

But Blair acknowledged that Africa likely will still need outside help.

"There will be times when Africa cannot stop a conflict on its own," he said, suggesting a EU rapid-reaction force being set up could respond to a crisis in Africa if African peacekeepers fail to stem future problems. The EU force could be on the ground and ready to go in 10 days, he said.

Troops may help provide peace, but prosperity will depend on the United States and Europe giving Africans the chance to earn their way out of poverty and slashing farm subsidies would be a good start, experts said.



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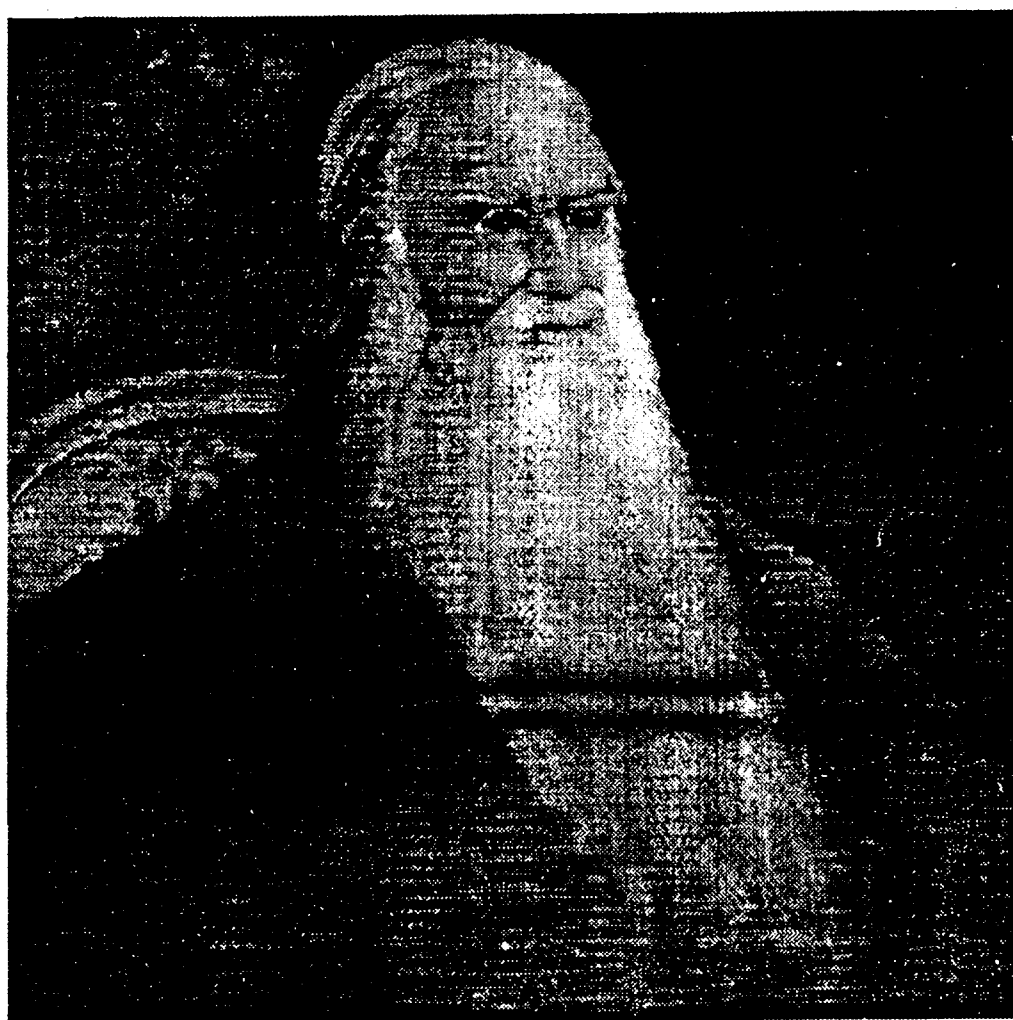
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Reevaluate proposal, learn from past

For the second consecutive October meeting, the Board of Trustees were heavily critical of the report presented by leaders of Notre Dame's student government. Last year, the Board rejected former student body president Pat Hallahan's report calling for changes to the Campus Life Council. This year, the Board forcefully told current president Adam Istvan the major point of his report, the SafeBus, is not a realistic or feasible idea.

For the second year in a row, student government wasted a precious opportunity to work with the Board on issues concerning the student body.

Looking on the surface, the suggestion of having a method of off-campus transportation bringing students from local housing complexes and bars back safely to their residences, whether on or off-campus, seems to be a valuable option for students. Off-campus safety is an issue many students take for granted because of the Notre Dame bubble, but being proactive in this area is much better than being reactive.

However, delving deeper into the SafeBus idea reveals that it is impractical and not something that should have been presented to the Board of Trustees.

Istvan projected the cost at \$24,000 per year — and a trustee called it a significant understatement. With a large number of intoxicated college students traveling together,

the liability factor for the University is apparent. And to ask Notre Dame Security/Police to look the other way on underage drinking brings in an expectation for the officers to ignore their basic job duties and responsibilities.

From these apparent problems, it is clear Istvan did a poor job thinking the SafeBus plan through to the end.

At Notre Dame, the SafeBus idea just won't work. Other universities have more residents living off campus, making SafeBus more feasible. With so many underclassmen living on campus here, students wouldn't use it

because of the fear of being caught for underage drinking.

Before taking the SafeBus idea back to Student Senate and the CLC, Istvan and his top staff need to reevaluate this proposal. Recognizing it as being unrealistic as it currently stands allows student government to work on other ideas, like those praised by the Board Thursday.

Time with the Board of Trustees is valuable. Squandering away an opportunity like Istvan did Thursday cannot happen again. Last year, Jeremy Lao learned from Hallahan's October mistake and presented two reports praised by the Board in February and April.

For the second year in a row, student government needs to learn from its mistake and not waste the rest of its time with the Board.

The Observer Editorial

In praise of holy women

About 30 women have squeezed into every inch of the small, poorly ventilated room. Normally a family home, it serves, a few times each month, as the makeshift meeting place for this women's empowerment group. Amid the colorful sea of saris I see women who look old enough to be great-grandmothers rubbing shoulders with younger women cradling newborns. A few hand fans wave in the air, offering fleeting solace from the 110-degree Fahrenheit heat that wafts through the small openings in the concrete walls.

John Infranca

Dissident Poetry

I sit at the front of the room, beside a small, grey-haired nun from Southern India. Sister Florin has been living here, in the rural eastern edge of the state of Uttar Pradesh, India, for a number of years. Her work is rural development, community organizing, the sowing of seeds of liberation: both the simple and complex tasks of aiding others as they lift the burdens of poverty. Today she is simply telling a story.

The group listens eagerly as Sister Florin describes the efforts of another community of women, from an even poorer village, who joined forces to improve the road leading to and from their town. The new road now plays an important role in their self-directed initiatives for economic development. The women with whom I sit gain hope as they hear the story. I see the slow dissipation of the certainty that their own task — encouraging the village's upper-caste leader to turn a piece of communal land into a community center — is an impossible one. Their efforts already enabled them to prevent this same leader from giving the land to a wealthy individual. Now Sister Florin is sharing with them ideas for how they might take the next step in improving

their community.

She is a rather unassuming woman. Small and humble, her most noteworthy feature is the warm smile that frequently fills her face. It softens and sets at ease those around her. In conversation she both consoles and challenges those to whom she ministers, sharing in the sorrow of the injustice they face while compelling them to take what steps they can to remedy it. In just my first day of staying with Sister Florin and the rest of her community of priests and nuns she began to speak passionately of liberation theology, the subject of her own theological studies and both the inspiration and the substance of the work she does. She sees her task quite clearly as one of answering the Gospel call to liberate both body and spirit.

Sister Florin is just one of many heroic and impassioned nuns I have met in my lifetime. It often seems that on the fringes of society and amid the most impassioned struggles for social justice women religious abound. I think fondly of the many I have met marching in Georgia at the gates of the School of the Americas and the particularly brave women I have seen among the few individuals who each year walk through a tiny hole in the fence and into the base in an act of civil disobedience that will land them eight months in jail. I think of Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity, with whom I have worked in New York City. These Indian women travel from one of the poorest of countries to minister to the many poor who remain in the wealthiest country. They feed the hungry on

the streets of Harlem and care for those with AIDS in Greenwich Village. I think of a small cadre of nuns who live in Baltimore; that is, when they are not serving time in prison for acts of civil disobedience that seek to raise attention to the excessiveness and folly of American nuclear weaponry. Or the Dominican Sisters on Long Island, who have chosen to turn their own property into a facility that offers both

state-of-the-art and warm and welcoming accommodations for the elderly, including my own grandmother. Beyond my own experience are more dramatic stories of religious women facing death and torture for standing alongside the poor and repressed of Latin America and elsewhere.

These are women of courage and of hope, who have made their lives powerful witnesses to the Gospel. Perhaps these women religious feel more profoundly the plight of those

who live on the margins because of their own position within the Catholic Church, defined in part by an institutional hierarchy dominated by male clergy. Whether or not their own experience fosters solidarity it is clear that some of the most effective, courageous and necessary work being done by the Catholic Church in the world today is borne on the shoulders of these committed women. For this they deserve our praise.

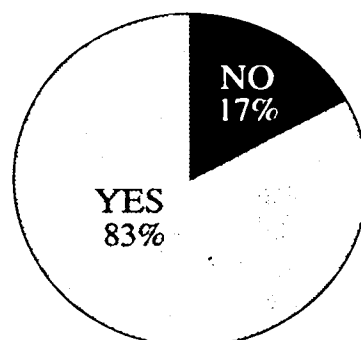
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Should Notre Dame have the SafeBus service for students?



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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Government is not reason, it is not eloquence, it is force; like fire, a troublesome servant and a fearful master. Never for a moment should it be left to irresponsible action."

George Washington
politician

How to watch the debates

The role of the presidential debates in determining the winner of the election is often overstated. Some journalists have entertained claims that the vice presidential debates could play an important role in the election this year. For example, USA Today reported this week that the Vice Presidential debate this year could play a "pivotal role in who becomes president."

Daniel Bergan

Guest Column

Not likely. Even Lloyd Bensten's drubbing of Dan Quayle in 1988 did not result in a major change in the polls. (Dan Quayle is no Jack Kennedy. Bensten pointed this out for vice presidential debate viewers and for Quayle himself that night). The effects of the presidential debates are slightly larger than the Vice Presidential debates, but the effects are not very large, nor are they long lasting. Candidates who perform well in the debates can expect at most a 3 to 4 percent bump in the polls; this small bump does not seem to last more than a week, much less until election day.

There are a number of reasons that the presidential debates do not play a major role in determining the victor. Prior to the debates, about two-thirds of the electorate had already made up its mind about the campaign. In addition, perceptions of who wins the debates are strongly influenced by one's party identification and political predispositions. Finally, despite the fact that polls vary a bit during the campaign, voters tend to behave in a relatively predictable way come November. That is, debates and other campaign events may affect the polls during the campaign, but by November — barring a cataclysmic event — it is most likely the economy, the party leanings and demographic characteristics of the electorate that determine voting behavior.

That said, those watching the debates should keep a number of things in mind. The first is to watch out for misleading statements; we can anticipate these from statements the candidates make while on the campaign trail. With respect to jobs, President George W. Bush talks about the number of jobs created last year, ignoring the net job loss during his term. Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry makes the job loss seem larger than it is by focusing on one sector of the economy. Debate viewers should rely on fact checks in the next day's papers. For last Thursday's debates, the New York Times, Los Angeles Times and Washington Post all checked the accuracy of statements made in the debates.

Viewers should also remember that while each debate format technically takes about 90-minutes, the debate does not truly end until days later. This

is because at the close of each debate, journalists, pundits and now bloggers begin to formulate their own interpretations of the debates; some of these focus on fact checking while others focus on character traits. I would recommend strong caution in using the latter interpretations of the debate. Consider that the candidates have spent a lot of time prepping for the debates and exhibit body language that is highly rehearsed (e.g. Bush's frowning his brow, John Edwards' thousand watt smile). Perhaps someone highly trained in body language might be able to catch some telling signs in this behavior, but I doubt most journalists can. During the 1992 town-hall style debates, George H. W. Bush glanced at his watch on camera. Critics drew the lesson that he was arrogant. An interview with Jim Lehrer years later suggested that this behavior doesn't tell us much about the former president's behavior other than that he does not like debates and was eager for it to end.

Journalists often interpret the candidate's statements during the debates as revealing underlying character traits. However, these interpretations reveal more about the journalists' perceptions of the candidates than the candidates themselves. In the 2000 campaign, Gore said in the first debate that a girl in Sarasota had to stand during class because of school overcrowding; he had been given a copy of the Sarasota Herald-Tribune story about the student from the girl's father. The press checked the story and found that what Gore had said during the debate was inaccurate—the girl no longer had to stand at the time of the debate, so what Gore had

said, while truthful, was literally false. Similar stories were used to illustrate that Gore was dishonest while Bush's statements didn't receive the same scrutiny; this is perhaps because Gore was perceived prior to the debates as insincere.

While there were few such interpretations of last week's debate, there may be greater opportunity for this type of interpretation after the second round. Tonight's debate will be the town hall format in which citizens ask questions of the candidates directly. The Gallup organization selects 100 or 150 audience members who will be composed of an equal number of "soft" Bush supporters and "soft" Kerry supporters. The audience submits questions to the moderator who determines which members get to ask questions. The interaction of the candidates with the audience and the necessarily unpredictable questions will provide a greater potential for media commentary that has little to do with the issues.

Serious debate watchers will check to see if the statements the candidates make are accurate, but it takes judgment to know when an inaccuracy is seriously misleading with respect to the issues or merely a technically false statement. Better to make this judgment on one's own than have it made by an amateur psychologist.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bush and the magic word

I watched the first debate, which took place in our nation's seat of democratic processes, also known as Jeb Bush's state of Florida. As a sociologist who analyzes texts and spends her whole day thinking about the way people construct texts and what motives they display — and hide — I noticed quite interestingly the way that our dear President used the word "free." Using my text search engine, I noticed that Bush used the words "free" or "freedom" over 35 times. Kerry used the word six times. Does freedom mean anything to us in a country that is run by a puppet of oil corporations? Or is freedom an empty word? It seems that freedom for Iraqis means being invaded by another country, the devastation of a civilian population and civic infrastructure and the demagogic "election" of a right-wing religious party for the sake of capturing a dictator who was rumoured to have stored weapons of mass destruction.

Academics sometimes play a tricky card in having a tendency to hide their arguments with concepts that have little or no meaning outside their use as key words or jargon. In sociology this can be in the sometimes-vacant use of terms like "structure" and "culture," or "habitus." "Show me the Money!" was a phrase used in a movie some years ago. Now I will say, "Show me the freedom."

Our words must be used carefully, responsibly, ethically. In fact, I would argue that humans can be the most ethical, and unethical, in speech. Our ability to speak is also our ability to lie. My cats don't lie. I know exactly what they're thinking. Our ability to fashion words to cover our naked truth is what makes us human. The use of "free" as a magic word, an emotional word, means to cause a buzz or light a fire in the American people. It is a word that is used like a drug. It is an empty word without a concrete referent, an opiate of the masses. In these times using the word "freedom" is akin to creating a false consciousness of a constructed and unreal concept. Freud's definition of religion or Vaclav Havel's definition of totalitarianism incorporate this kind of created consciousness. The use of "freedom," "liberty," and "free" seems vacant and nominalistic in a time when the Patriot Act gives the government the right to interrogate and imprison kids from Dearborn, Michigan, a suburb of Detroit. Freedom, liberty and free — these words have no significance any more. George, we can see that the emperor has no clothes.

Sarah MacMillen
graduate student
Oct. 7

Stem cells an issue

Embryonic stem cell research has become a hot topic on the campaign trail, but many Americans are woefully unaware of the procedure and issue itself. There are two important things to know: embryonic stem cell research kills innocent human beings, and adult stem cell research is an effective and morally non-controversial alternative.

The research involves extracting beneficial stem cells from an embryo, thus killing it. Why is killing an embryo a problem? Every embryo is a living, distinct human being whose innocent life is taken in this scientific experiment.

First of all, every embryo is alive — a living sperm unites with a living egg to form a living zygote which grows to be a living embryo. There is no period of non-life, and by the way, you can't kill something without it being alive in the first place.

Second, every embryo is a distinct individual being. Science proves that every embryo is either male or female, has a blood type and has its own unique DNA chromosomal 'fingerprint' which originates at the moment of conception.

Third, what kind of being is this embryo? Well, it came from two human beings, and its DNA genetic signature proves that it is a homo sapiens, a human being. Some would argue that an embryo is only a 'potential' human. This argument is fundamentally flawed, just as saying a toddler or infant is

only a 'potential' human being because it isn't fully developed. Obviously an infant, toddler and adult are all complete human beings at different stages of life. Just as we were all complete humans in our infant stage, we were all also complete humans in our embryonic stage. We've defined what an embryo is, namely an innocent, distinct human being, and can hopefully agree that it is absolutely wrong to experiment on or kill innocent human beings.

The other important factor to know is that embryonic stem cell research is entirely unnecessary because there have been thousands of successful and effective cases involving adult stem cell research. Thousands of lives have been saved by adult stem cells in cases involving people with Parkinson's disease, spinal cord injury, sickle-cell anemia, heart damage, corneal damage and dozens of other conditions. For details and citations see the stem cell research Web site. There is absolutely no valid medical argument in favor of using embryonic stem cells rather than adult stem cells.

Don't allow our country to kill innocent human life in needless scientific experiments. Take the truth to heart in your election decisions.

Kelly Puopolo
graduate student
Oct. 7

MTV's Gideon Yago comes to campus

STORY BY
MOLLY GRIFFIN

It's not easy for anyone to get the kind of life experience of which Gideon Yago can boast.

At the age of 26, Yago has accomplished what most news anchors have to wait a lifetime to achieve. He has interviewed important politicians, spent time in the Middle East as a correspondent for MTV and hosted a number of specials on hot-button issues such as drug addiction and sex laws. In spite of his youth, he has had an interesting and varied career that has focused not only on politics, but also entertainment and other areas of the media world.

Gideon Yago was born in Madison, Wis. and attended Columbia University in New York as an undergraduate. Yago's first appearance on MTV was as a winning contestant on the MTV game show *Idiot Savant* during his freshman year of college, and he returned as a senior to apply at a career fair. Yago began his work at MTV as a writer and correspondent for "Choose or Lose" 2000 and worked on the McCain and Bush-Cheney campaigns, and he has worked for the network for four years.

Since his start on the campaign trail, Yago has interviewed a host of important political figures including President George W. Bush, Secretary of State Colin Powell, Ralph Nader, Senator John Kerry, former New York City mayor Rudy Giuliani and Ambassador Paul Bremer. As an MTV correspondent, he acts as the voice of the newer generation of voters and asks questions that have greater relevance to their lives, such as college tuition and the job market.

Along with his political interviews, Yago has been a key figure in the MTV "Choose or Lose" campaign

aimed at making younger voters more informed about campaign issues and getting them to the polls for the upcoming presidential election. Recent specials have included "Louder Now!" which is the story centered on Yago and a young soldier on the campaign trail; "20 Million Questions for John Kerry," which brought viewers' questions to the presidential candidate; and "Work It," a special on the how the job market and outsourcing affect younger workers that featured news legend Walter Cronkite in his first MTV appearance ever.

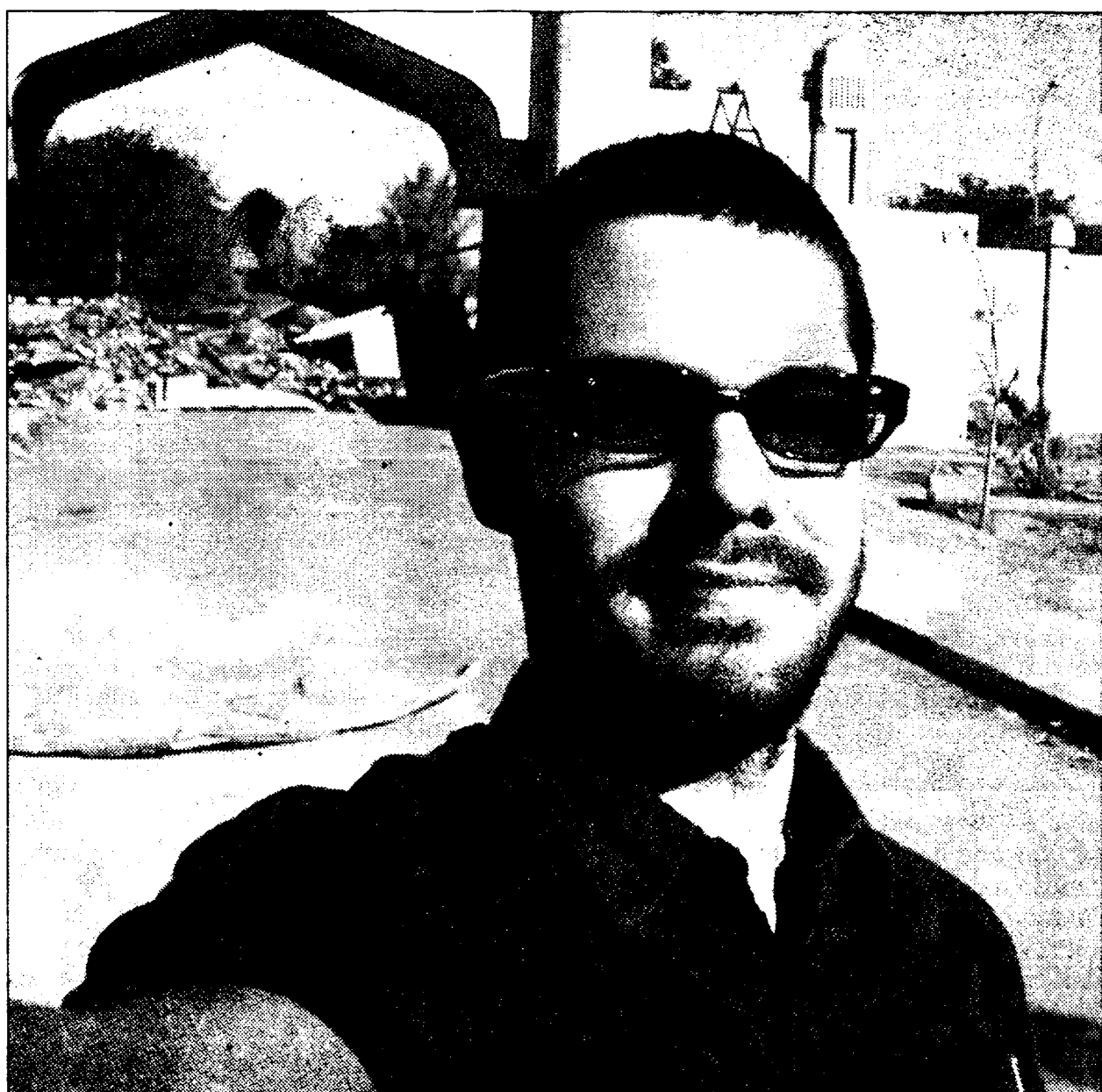
Yago has been one of MTV's major correspondents in the Middle East during the conflict in the area. Immediately after the Iraq war began, he filmed "The Diary of Gideon in Kuwait" while on location in Kuwait City. He returned to the area in 2003 to film "The Diary of Gideon in Baghdad," which followed the lives of young Iraqis and American soldiers to see how the war was affecting them.

Aside from his work in the political arena, Yago has had a varied and interesting career. He has worked on specials like "Behind the Grammys" (2004) and "MTV Video Music Awards Opening Act" (2001-2003). He was named one of the "25 Hottest Stars Under 25" last year by Teen People Magazine, and he toured with the band, Radiohead, in 2001.

Besides working as a news anchor, Yago writes for MTVNews.com and has provided pieces for Spin, Vice and Nylon.

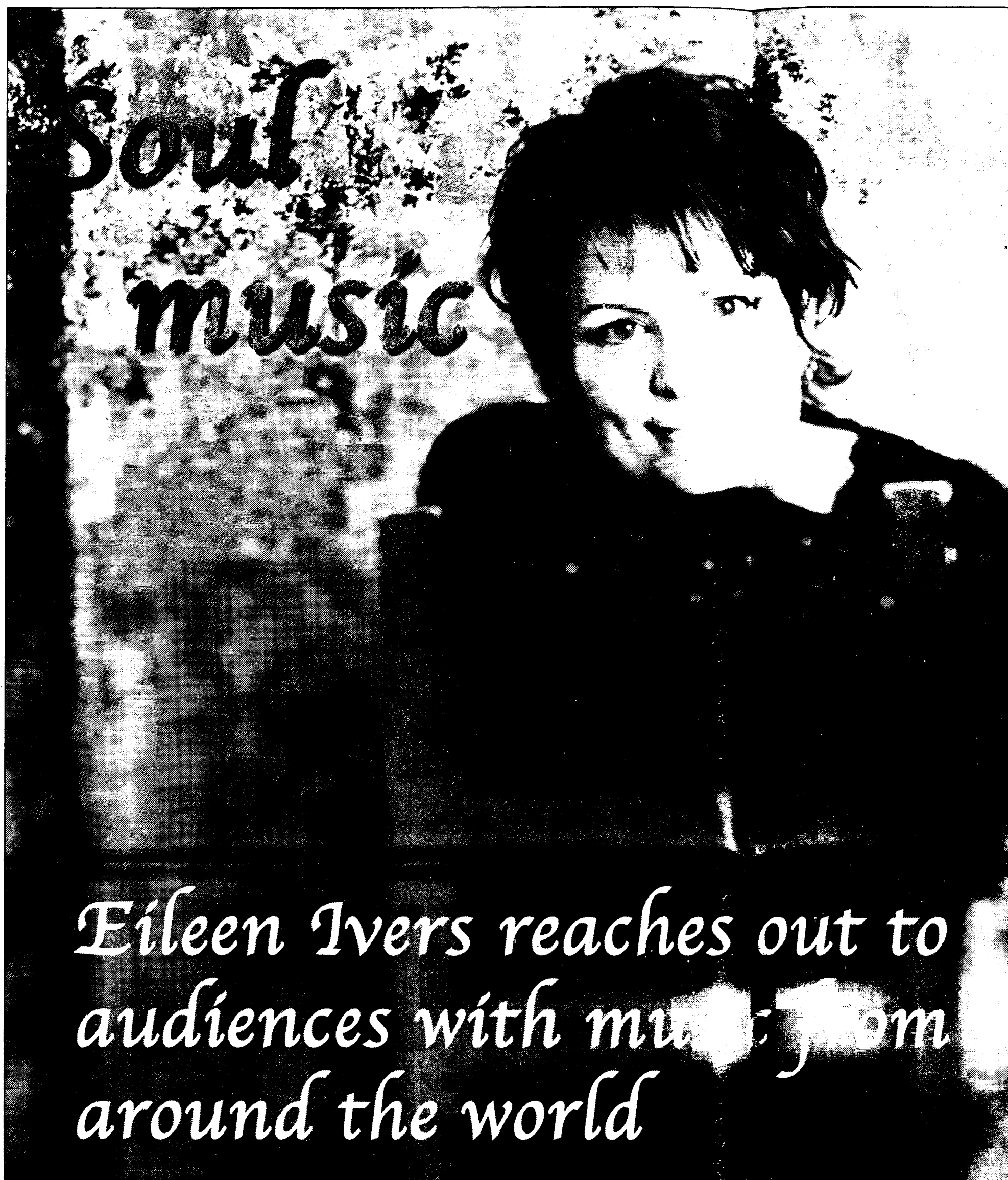
Yago will be speaking at Washington Hall on Oct. 10th at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the LaFortune Box office and cost \$2 for students and \$5 for faculty and staff.

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Gideon Yago has a long history with MTV, ranging from work with the 2000 "Choose or Lose" campaign to documentaries focusing on Kuwait and Iraq.

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Eileen Ivers reaches out to audiences with music from around the world

STORY BY MARIA SMITH

Eileen Ivers is a name that probably sounds familiar to many, although most may not know what she has risen to great heights of success in the musical world.

Ivers' list of accomplishments is a long one. Besides her work with Immigrant Soul, she is a nine-time Grammy Award winner. She has played with the London Symphony Orchestra, National Symphony at The Kennedy Center, Boston Symphony, Patti Smith and Hall and Oates. She performed as the musical star of Riverdance and was a founding member of the music ensemble Cherish the Ladies.

Eileen Ivers and Immigrant Soul promises to be a spectacular show. The group, which was first established in 1992, has become a phenomenon.

Part of the group's appeal is the sheer variety of their music. The basis for the group's sound is in Irish music, but they combine styles from all over the world for a hodge-podge that comes together surprisingly well.

Four of the musicians come from Irish music backgrounds, including guitarist James Riley, piper Ivan Goff and Bronx native Tommy McDowell. Ivers herself is a child of Irish immigrants and grew up in the Bronx, where she played fiddle from the age of eight and was steeped in Irish as well as other musical traditions.

At its root, however, the sound adopts a wider base. Adriano Santos from Sao Paulo, Brazil, brings Brazilian and Latin beats to the music, and Chicago-born bassist Emmanuel Gatewood brings South African rhythms to the music.

"We ever want to dilute the Irish music, but it's so rhythmic," Ivers said. "There aren't many percussion instruments in Irish music, just the bodhran. Combining these rhythms, makes a bigger bed for music to fit on, and I think it

makes the music more accessible for audiences in general."

McDowell, who has shared the stage with BB King, James Brown, Eric Clapton and Isaac Hayes among others, also brings an American blues background to the music.

"We delve into some parallels in Irish music," we do some bluegrass, Appalachian tunes as well, and we kind of show how it's all connected.

Although Ivers has played violin since childhood, she did not always plan on making her career through music. The artist majored in math at Iona College and continued to study math after graduation.

"My dream was NASA, the space program, something to do with that. I had a great adviser who said, 'You know, get your math degree, you can go anywhere from a math degree.' That was great advice. It does groom you in terms of logic," Ivers said.

Mathematical study may or may not have helped Ivers in her musical career, but

did provide a chance to study some interesting parallels between the fields.

"I did some papers on math and music in college, it was cool," Ivers said. "Even Bach would write using these mathematics. You find Fibonacci and all these series. The discipline helps you to put things together."

Ivers may be famous for fiddling, but the artist considers interacting with the audience a vital and rewarding part of any show. Ivers narrates her concerts with stories about the music, immigration and other things. After performances Ivers always greets her audience to sign autographs and talk to anyone who has been touched by her music.

"I don't know how you could just leave [after a performance], you need to meet people. There are some amazing reactions," Ivers said. "I've had people just come over and hug me, or describe similar immigration experiences to what my parents had, going through the famine and tough years and such."

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band and narration from Ivers, the show
will feature Irish dancers from the South
Bend community."

"Between music, song and dance it
pulls a lot of people in," Ivers said.
"People think [an Irish music concert] is
going to be just Irish fiddle, but it's more
than that."

In the end, a concert by Eileen Ivers
and Immigrant Soul is all about pulling
in the audience and making sure every-
one has fun. This is something the band
famously does amazingly well.

"It's such a blessing to play music and
touch people like that," Ivers said. "It's
the coolest job you could have, I think."

Eileen Ivers and Immigrant Soul will
perform tonight at the DeBartolo Center
for the Performing Arts at 9:00 p.m.
Tickets cost \$44 for the general public,
\$35 for faculty and staff and \$15 for stu-
dents.

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Turn up the heat with tapas

C O L U M N B Y M A U R E E N M A L L O Y

Looking to spice up your life in the Midwest? Tapas parties are a great way to gather friends for a relaxed night of eating and drinking without having to put a lot of effort into preparation or cleaning up. Traditionally served as "little dishes" in Spanish bars and restaurants along with cocktails, tapas are becoming trendy in American entertaining. They can range from simpler fare such as olives and a variety of cheeses to more elaborate hors d'oeuvres like garlic shrimp or Spanish omelets. Arrange a couple "bites" of each dish on small colorful plates or saucers with toothpicks. Along with your tapas, you can serve a variety of your favorite drinks. Different kinds of wine, flavored sparkling water and sangria are popular choices. Pop in some Spanish CDs and set out some candles if you can manage it, and you've got yourself an authentic tapas party.

Simple Tapas

Bowl of olives

Cubes of ham and cheese

Spiced nuts

Grilled slices of bread drizzled with olive oil and topped with goat cheese

More ambitious tapas...

Garlic Shrimp

1/3 cup olive oil

4 garlic cloves, sliced

1 teaspoon red pepper flakes

1 pound unshelled shrimp (26 to 32 shrimp per pound)

2 teaspoons sweet paprika

1/4 cup medium-dry sherry

1/4 cup minced fresh parsley leaves

Fresh lemon juice, to taste

Salt and freshly ground black pepper

In a large heavy skillet set over moderately high heat, heat the oil until it is hot, add the garlic and cook, stirring, until it is pale golden. Add the red pepper flakes and the shrimp and cook the mixture, stirring, for 1 minute, or until the shrimp are pink and just firm to the touch. Sprinkle with shrimp with the paprika and cook the mixture, stirring, for 30 seconds. Add the sherry, boil the mixture for 30 seconds, and sprinkle with parsley. Season the mixture with the lemon juice and salt and pepper to taste, and transfer it to a serving bowl. The shrimp may be made up to 1 day in advance and kept covered tightly and chilled. Serve the shrimp at room temperature.

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Spanish Potato Omelet

1/2 cup olive oil

1/2 pound potatoes, thinly sliced

salt and pepper to taste

1 large onion, thinly sliced

4 eggs

salt and pepper to taste

2 tomatoes — peeled, seeded, and coarsely chopped

2 green onions, chopped.

In a large frying pan or skillet, heat olive oil over medium-high heat. Sprinkle potatoes lightly with salt and pepper. Cook until golden brown and crisp. Once the potatoes are golden, stir in the onions. Cook, stirring occasionally, until onions soften and begin to brown. Meanwhile, beat eggs together with salt and pepper. Pour eggs into pan and stir gently to combine. Reduce heat to low and cook until eggs begin to brown on the bottom. Loosen bottom of omelet with a spatula, invert a large plate over the pan, and carefully turn the omelet out onto it. Slide the omelet back into the pan with the uncooked side down. Cook until eggs are set. Garnish omelet with tomato and green onion and serve warm.

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White Sangria

This sangria takes 5 to 10 minutes to assemble in a large pitcher. Take the time to prepare it in the morning so the sangria has several hours to develop its fruity flavor. Pull it out when dinner is done is ready to serve that evening.

3 tablespoons sugar

3 shots Calvados or other apple liquor

1 lime, sliced

1 lemon, sliced

2 ripe peaches, cut into wedges

3 ripe green apples seeded and cut into wedges

1 bottle white Rioja Spanish wine or other dry white wine

1 pint raspberries

Sparkling soda water, for topping off glasses of sangria at table

Combine sugar, Calvados, lime, lemon, peaches and apples in a large pitcher. Cover with 1 bottle of Rioja wine and chill sangria several hours. To serve, spoon fruits into glasses or goblets, adding a few fresh raspberries in each glass, pour wine over top of the fruit. Top glasses of sangria off with a splash of soda water and serve.

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MEN'S INTERHALL BLUE LEAGUE

Carroll and Fisher to battle for division lead

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

Two teams will walk into this game without a loss, but only one will emerge unscathed with the division lead in grasp.

The Vermin of Carroll Hall look to turn a surprising two-win start into a Cinderella story that will continue into the playoffs. Meanwhile, the Fisher Green Wave have already cemented a playoff spot after beating Knott last week, but they still hope to finish the season undefeated at 4-0.

Carroll is coming off of a 14-0 win over St. Edward's last week. In that game and the season opener against defending champion Siegfried, the Vermin defense gave up no points. In order to win, Fisher will have to break through this impenetrable wall that is led by defensive captain and middle linebacker Dom Gabianelli. The secondary is anchored by strong safety Mike Johnson and free safety Matt Wormington.

Carroll will have a similar problem on the offensive side of the ball similar to Fisher's, since the Green Wave defense is equally as strong. In three games against Sorin, Zahm and Knott, Fisher has given up only one touchdown and a total of 10 points.

Fisher made short work last week of a Knott running game that had been the impetus of the Juggs' offense.

"The down linemen and the

linebackers make the difference in the game," Fisher captain Jeremy Moreno said.

Freshman quarterback Pat Goteski could come up big for the Green Wave this week, just as he did against Knott. Goteski drove Fisher down the field in the waning minutes of the game to set up a game-winning field goal by Daniel Manaas.

Carroll's running game has been the key to its offense, led by freshman tailback Jimmy Buffi. Buffi had a big game against St. Ed's, including a touchdown. Buffi credited his success to the excellent work of his offensive line in opening up holes and letting him run through.

With a win, Carroll clinches its first playoff appearance in at least seven years. But more importantly, the Vermin will gain respect and create fear in teams. Instead of Carroll being intimidated by teams like Siegfried and Fisher, it may soon be the other way around.

Siegfried vs. St. Edward's

Disappointment will be in abundance this Sunday as Siegfried takes on St. Edward's.

Residents of Siegfried should not be faulted if they appear perplexed by their team's position in the standings. After all, this is the two-time defending Interhall champion. A 1-1 record is certainly not shameful, but it is a novelty for the Ramblers.

Another new concept for Siegfried was losing to Carroll two weeks ago, an unexpected sequel to the victory over

archrival Knott in the season's opener.

To be sure, the season is far from over, but in order for the Ramblers to get back on the winning track they are so accustomed to, they will need to put some points on the board. Quarterback Brian Vithe and running back Matt Woperer must find their way into the end zone by any means necessary.

Getting into the end zone has not proven to be all that difficult a task when facing St. Ed's. The team is the owner of a dismal 0-3 record. In its three losses St. Ed's has given up successive totals of 20, 28 and 14 points – a grand total of 62 points and more than ten times as many points as it scored.

But pride may be the strongest of all motivators. An upset of perennial powerhouse Siegfried would not only prevent St. Ed's from the discouragement of a winless season but would doubly serve as an extreme positive note. St. Ed's could spoil Siegfried's hopes and dreams. It would, in short, be something for the Men to hang their hats on, if nothing else.

Siegfried may have much more on the line. The Ramblers still have two games remaining and a 3-1 finish is definitely within the realm of possibility. Such a record would put the Ramblers in a familiar position: heading into the playoffs with momentum on their side and a chance to three-peat as champions.

Sorin vs. Knott

Sorin is being hounded by a large goose egg in the win col-

umn. After losing to Zahm last week, 14-7, the Otters are even hungrier for its first win of the season.

"We've just been beating ourselves and turnovers have been a problem," Sorin captain Collin O'Keefe said. "We haven't been tackling well. We need to hang onto the ball, make tackles, and we should be all right."

Sorin's previous two losses stemmed from poor fundamentals, tackling in particular. Zahm converted a 70-yard run that could have been prevented if the defense's tackling was up to par.

Knott, on the other hand, is 1-2 coming into Sunday's game. Fisher beat Knott on a last minute field goal last week, but Knott plans to return strong this week and bring its record back to .500.

O'Keefe believes the key to a Sorin victory over Knott will be the play of tailback Pat Lopez.

"He ran the ball pretty well for us and hopefully he can step up again," O'Keefe said.

If the Otters can manage a decent rushing game, they will move one step closer to victory. This week, the quarterback/captain would like to switch focus towards a running game.

"We rely mostly on a passing game, but we struggle to run the ball," O'Keefe said.

Last week, O'Keefe completed 5-of-13 passing attempts for over 70 yards.

On the other side, the Juggs simply need to find the end zone. Last week, Knott managed only two field goals throughout the course of the game. A lack of touchdown production puts

Men's Interhall Football

Rank	Team	Record	Previous Rank
1.	Fisher	3-0	1
2.	Keenan	3-0	6
3.	Alumni	2-0	2
4.	Carroll	2-0	3
5.	Dillon	1-0-1	5
6.	Stanford	0-1-1	7
7.	Zahm	2-1	10
8.	Siegfried	1-1	8
9.	Knott	1-2	4
10.	Morrissey	1-2	9
11.	O'Neill	1-2	11
12.	Sorin	0-2	12
13.	Keough	0-3	13
14.	St. Edward's	0-3	14

additional pressure on the defense to hold opposing offenses.

Neither team has a clear shot at the playoffs this season, but neither team will let up. Sorin is seeking a victory as not to be shutout this season. Knott is looking to break even with a 2-2 record.

Both teams are revamping game plans for this skirmish. In the end, it will be interesting to see whose strategy adapted to victory.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles set to face tough Calvin team in weekend road match

By JUSTIN STETZ
Sports Writer

Friday night's game will be no walk in the park for the Saint Mary's volleyball team. Coming off a tough loss to Kalamazoo College, the road does not get any easier as the Belles take on Calvin College today at 7 p.m.

The Knights are in second place in the MIAA with a record of 8-1 and 13-5 overall. Calvin's only loss of the year came against first place and undefeated Alma

College. In its first match of the season, Calvin dominated the Belles and cruised to an easy, three-game sweep victory. Saint Mary's was unable to do much on offense or defense as they were outscored 90-67.

Saint Mary's players had trouble getting anything started during the game on both sides of the ball. Amanda David was one of the few players who found any sort of success as she recorded nine digs on defense.

Ann Cusack had one of her best games of the season with 19 digs.

The offense struggled all day long with Elise Rupright and Michelle Turley leading the way for the Belles with 15 kills collected between them in the contest.

Cusack has been the strength of the defensive unit all year long. She registered another 10 digs against Kalamazoo last game and still leads the team in this category. The team will need her defensive skills against Calvin to have any shot at winning.

Finding some sort of equilibrium has been a problem for Saint Mary's all year long. In most of

their matches, either the offense or defense has performed well with little help from the other. There have been only a few times when both areas have come together in the same game.

"The offense has played well and the defense has been strong," Michelle Gary said. "But putting both parts together has been a challenge. Many times the offense plays hard, but the defense lacks and when the defense gets going the offense slows down."

The offense and defense both must find a rhythm against the

Knights or the outcome will be the same as it was in the first game. Saint Mary's cannot afford to lose many more conference games if they wish to continue moving up in the MIAA.

This will be the Belles second match of five consecutive away games against conference teams. Saint Mary's dropped the first one on Wednesday against Kalamazoo.

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NCAA Football AP Top 25

	team	record	points
1	USC (46)	4-0	1,604
2	Oklahoma (18)	4-0	1,560
3	Georgia (2)	4-0	1,491
4	Miami	4-0	1,409
5	Texas	4-0	1,358
6	Auburn	5-0	1,305
7	California	3-0	1,180
8	Florida State	3-1	1,149
9	Purdue	4-0	1,047
10	Virginia	4-0	1,036
11	Utah	5-0	937
12	Florida	3-1	866
13	Minnesota	5-0	722
14	Michigan	4-1	656
15	Wisconsin	3-0	650
16	West Virginia	4-1	604
17	Tennessee	3-1	551
18	Ohio State	3-1	547
19	Arizona State	5-0	507
20	Louisville	4-0	478
21	Boise State	5-0	396
22	Oklahoma State	4-0	360
23	Maryland	3-1	263
24	LSU	3-2	191
25	South Carolina	4-1	60

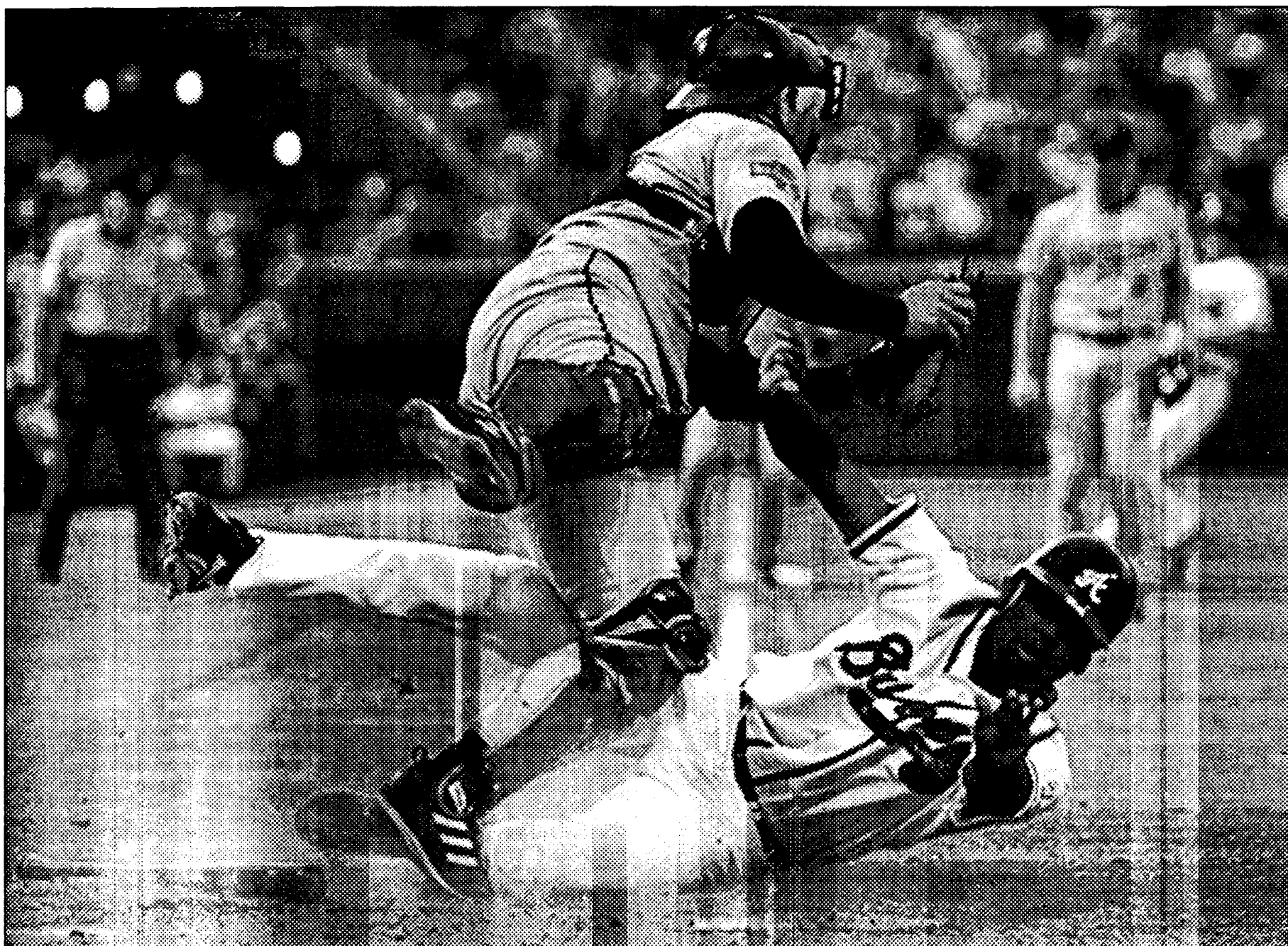
NCAA Football Coaches Poll

	team	record	points
1	USC (46)	4-0	1,507
2	Oklahoma (18)	4-0	1,462
3	Georgia (1)	4-0	1,398
4	Miami (2)	4-0	1,347
5	Texas	4-0	1,283
6	Auburn	5-0	1,180
7	California	3-0	1,116
8	Florida State	3-1	1,049
9	Virginia	4-0	988
10	Purdue	4-0	952
11	Utah	5-0	876
12	Florida	3-1	731
13	Minnesota	5-0	684
14	Michigan	4-1	644
15	Ohio State	3-1	643
16	Wisconsin	3-0	597
17	Tennessee	3-1	519
18	West Virginia	4-1	497
19	Boise State	5-0	442
20	Louisville	4-0	434
21	Oklahoma State	4-0	353
22	Arizona State	5-0	314
23	Maryland	3-1	307
24	LSU	3-2	232
25	NC State	3-1	63

Women's Big East Soccer

team	Big East	overall
NOTRE DAME (1/1)	5-0-0	12-0-0
West Virginia (20/21)	5-2-0	10-3-0
Boston College (22/-)	4-2-0	9-4-0
Connecticut	4-2-0	7-5-0
Villanova	3-2-0	9-3-0
Georgetown	2-1-0	5-5-0
St. John's	2-4-0	8-4-1
Syracuse	1-2-1	6-3-2
Pittsburgh	1-3-1	4-5-1
Seton Hall	1-3-0	6-4-2
Rutgers	1-3-0	6-7-0
Providence	0-5-0	3-9-0

MLB



Atlanta Braves' Wilson Betemit is tagged out at home by Houston Astros catcher Raul Chavez on a fly ball hit by Braves' Andruw Jones in the eighth inning during their game in Atlanta, Thursday.

Astros beat Braves

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Both teams went to extraordinary means — the Astros looking to go two-up in the best-of-five series, the Braves realizing they needed a split before playing twice at Minute Maid Park, where Houston has won 18 straight games.

Braves rookie Charles Thomas singled with one out in the 11th off Dan Miceli and stole second. Eli Marrero popped out to the catcher, but Furcal golfed a 1-2 pitch deep into the right-field seats, flipping his bat in the air about halfway down to celebrate his

first postseason homer.

The Astros routed the Braves 9-3 in Game 1 and were ahead 2-0 going to the seventh with 20-game winner Roy Oswalt on the mound.

But NL East champion Atlanta fought back, managing to overcome some shaky baserunning — two were thrown out at the plate — and plenty of other wasted chances before Furcal came through.

The Braves outlit the Astros 14-4, holding Houston without a hit for the final 5 1-3 innings.

Smoltz was already in the clubhouse when Furcal ended it with the walk-off homer.

St. Louis wins Game 2

Bradley creates more controversy

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Milton Bradley was back in the Los Angeles Dodgers' lineup Thursday and hit a game-tying homer, a day following a clubhouse confrontation between the outfielder and a reporter he called an "Uncle Tom."

Rich Levin, a spokesman for the commissioner's office, said major league baseball officials had made several telephone calls on the matter. Levin said there will not be an investigation.

"We're satisfied the two sides are working together to resolve the situation,"

Levin said in New York.

Several fans booed Bradley in each of his four plate appearances on Tuesday, when the Cardinals beat the Dodgers 8-3 in the opener of their best-of-five NL playoff series. That was Bradley's first game following a five-game suspension assessed for a bottle-throwing tantrum during a win over Colorado in Los Angeles.

Jason Reid of the Los Angeles Times asked Bradley on Wednesday about his treatment by St. Louis fans.

Bill Dwyre, the Times' sports editor, said several reporters in the clubhouse said Bradley didn't like Reid's question.

around the dial

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Angels at Red Sox 3 p.m., ESPN
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IN BRIEF

Earnhardt docked points for undocked profanity

NEW YORK — NBC is adding a 5-second delay to its NASCAR telecasts after Dale Earnhardt Jr. used a vulgarity during a postrace TV interview last weekend.

"We're disappointed for our viewers to have to do this, but the delay provides a level of protection against anything inappropriate going out over the air," NBC Sports chairman Dick Ebersol said Thursday.

Earnhardt was docked 25 points in the Nextel Cup standings and fined \$10,000 for his slip of the tongue in an NBC interview after his victory at Talladega Superspeedway, dropping him to second place with seven races left in the season. He will appeal the point penalty.

Federal regulators have cracked down on objectionable content on TV and radio since Janet Jackson's "wardrobe malfunction" during her halftime performance at the Super

Bowl. CBS was fined a record \$550,000 by the FCC. Networks have installed delays of up to 10 seconds for some programming, and ABC's "Monday Night Football" is using a 5-second delay this season.

Kobe's accuser not to stay anonymous in civil lawsuit

DENVER — A federal judge on Wednesday rejected a request from the woman accusing Kobe Bryant of rape to remain anonymous in her civil lawsuit against the NBA star, saying the public's interest in open court proceedings outweighs her desire to shield her identity.

"The parties appear as equals before the court and that fundamental principle must be protected throughout these proceedings," U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch said.

Matsch said allowing the woman to remain anonymous could be misconstrued as a prejudgment in her favor.

Attorneys for the 20-year-old

woman had asked Matsch to protect her identity, saying she has been the subject of death threats and sordid publicity for more than a year. Attorneys for Bryant opposed the request earlier this week, saying she shouldn't be able to bring a "false accusation" in her civil lawsuit without being identified.

Indiana bids to hold Olympic swimming trials

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana Sports Corporation may bid to host the 2008 Olympic swimming trials but is still debating which venue it should pursue.

President Dale Neuburger told The Associated Press on Thursday, the first day of the World Swimming Championships in Indianapolis, that the nonprofit group is considering three sites — the Indiana University Natatorium, Conesco Fieldhouse and the RCA Dome.

A decision is expected before the end of the year.

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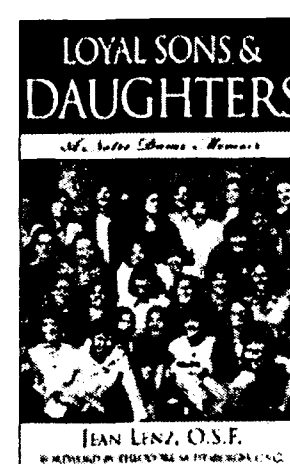
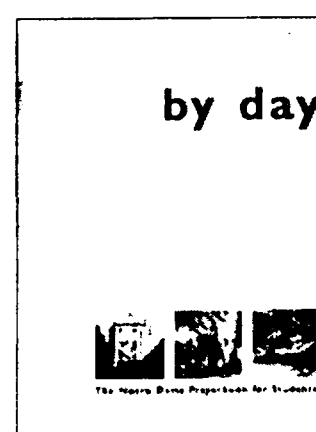
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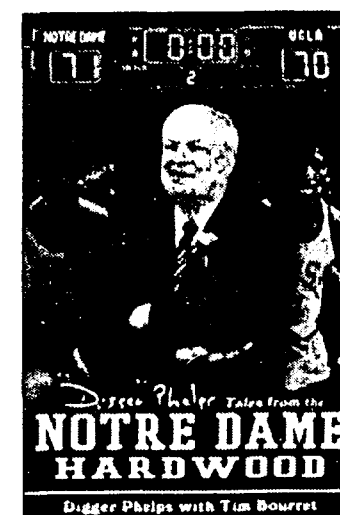
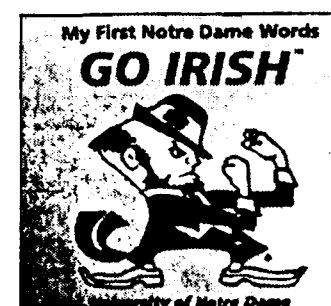
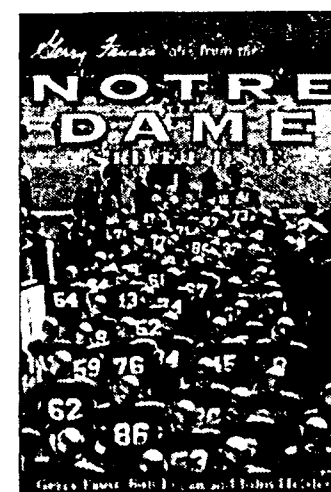
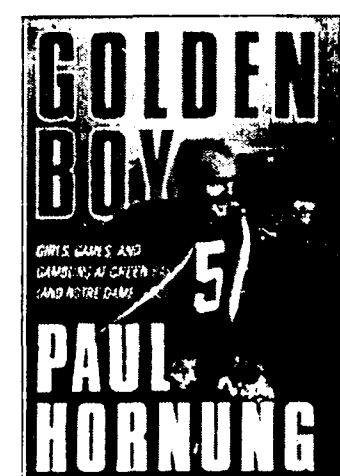
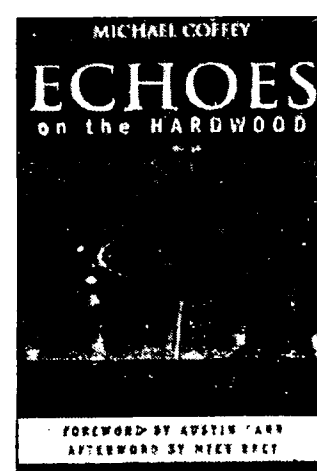
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WOMEN'S INTERHALL BLUE LEAGUE

Dominant Cavanaugh, Breen-Phillips to clash

By BRAD WALLACE, BRIAN CARDILE and ABBY RICHARDSON
Sports Writers

This Sunday could play host to what many would consider a clash of the titans, as two of the Blue League's most dominant teams meet.

The prolific offense of Cavanaugh (3-0-1) will test its strength against the suffocating defense of Breen-Phillips (3-1) at 3 p.m. on the West Quad.

The Babes are coming off their first loss of the season, but feel confident that they will be able to bounce back.

"Walsh was a really good team, and we had some trouble adjusting to their defense. We just made too many mistakes last week," captain Jaimie Feltault said. "This week, we've just been going over the basics so that we don't make the same things wrong."

The Chaos hopes to continue its unbeaten season and the three-game winning streak it is riding. The task won't be easy, though, as the Babes defense has been playing very well as of late.

"I think our defense will be our biggest strength this week," Feltault said. "They've made a lot of big plays, have come up with some huge interceptions, and made big stops when it really counted."

Breen-Phillips is aware of the magnitude of the game, but is will not let the hype affect their game plan.

"We're just going to approach this game as we would any other. For us, this is just one more step on the road to the stadium," Feltault said.

Cavanaugh captain Sara Gilloon was unavailable for comment.

Walsh vs. PE

Two teams headed in opposite directions will meet this weekend, as the undefeated Wild Women of Walsh face off against the winless Pyros of Pasquerilla East.

Coming off a 6-0 victory over top-ranked Breen Phillips, Walsh looks to continue its winning ways and ride the momentum into the playoffs. The Pyros simply hope to avoid a winless season.

The Wild Women will look to continue to use the two main weapons, which have led them to this point: a suffocating defense and an agile quarterback. In the game against Breen Phillips, Walsh capitalized off of two interceptions by senior Katie Hesmond and also used an impressive 100-yard rushing performance by freshman quarterback Mary Sullivan to win.

In their last game, the Pyros continued to struggle as they were shut out 19-0 by the then-winless McGlinn Shamrocks. The Shamrock offense had little trouble eluding a porous Pasquerilla East defense, while the Pyro attack struggled, having trouble even smelling the end zone.

Pasquerilla West vs. McGlinn
As the pressure of the playoffs becomes more of a reality, each game becomes more sig-

Women's Interhall Football

Rank	Team	Record	Previous Rank
1.	Welsh Family	3-0-1	1
2.	Cavanaugh	3-0-1	6
3.	Walsh	3-0-2	2
4.	Badin	3-1	3
5.	Breen-Phillips	3-1	5
6.	Pangborn	3-1-1	7
7.	Lyons	2-1-2	10
8.	Pasquerilla West	2-1-1	8
9.	McGlinn	1-3	4
10.	Lewis	1-2-1	9
11.	Farley	1-4	11
12.	Howard	0-3-1	12
13.	Pasquerilla East	0-4	13
14.	Off-Campus	0-4	14

nificant. With only two games each remaining, Pasquerilla West and McGlinn get ready to face each other Sunday at 2 p.m. on the West Quad field.

The Pasquerilla West interhall team (2-1-1) will face McGlinn (1-3) in the second-to-last game before the playoffs begin after the fall break.

"[It is] an important game to win in terms of the playoffs," Pasquerilla West co-captain Abby Nerlinger said.

Pasquerilla West is fresh off a big victory that has sparked more confidence in themselves as a team.

"Coming off the win we're excited," Nerlinger said, referring to the recent 13-6 victory over Farley on Tuesday. "[The] main thing is keeping that up."

Both teams hope they will win this game, helping them in the playoffs. They hope that these last two games will help them accomplish their final goals for the regular season.

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MEN'S INTERHALL GOLD LEAGUE

Alumni, Keenan set for challenge

By CHRIS KHOREY, MIKE LASKEY and MIKE TENNANT
Sports Writers

Two of the best teams on campus will face off Sunday as Alumni faces Keenan at South Riehle Field at 2 p.m.

The Dawgs and Knights, both undefeated, have battered opponents in the early weeks of the season before finally facing each other in this clash of titans.

Dillon vs. Keough

Two teams plagued by injuries find themselves headed in opposite directions this weekend when the Keough Kangaroos take on the Dillon Big Red at 3 p.m. at Riehle Fields.

Keough finds itself at the bottom of the Men's Gold League with an 0-3 record, after losing both of its running backs to injury.

Morrissey vs. Stanford

It's now or never for Morrissey and Stanford.

As the two teams gear up for Sunday's 1 p.m. game at Riehle Field, both the Manorites and the Griffins know that any playoff hopes can disappear without a victory.

"It's do or die for both teams," Morrissey captain and wide receiver Aaron Ronsheim said.

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SMC GOLF

Team expected to excel in championship meet

By ANN LOUGHERY
Sports Writer

Mark Hamilton said opponents competing at the MIAA Championships this weekend will see Saint Mary's running on all cylinders.

In their last tournament of the fall season, Hamilton said, the Belles should be at the top of their games and post impressive numbers.

"I think it will be exciting to see what we can do when we're playing at our peak," Hamilton said. "We just need to stay relaxed and in the zone."

Saint Mary's already holds a 47-stroke lead and a first-place conference rank going into the tournament as a result of their hard work earlier this season. Their conference counterparts expect nothing less than a challenge this weekend.

"I think the other teams know that we're going to come out and play well," Hamilton said. "Everyone knows we're the team to beat — we're the marked man."

In addition to team honors, the

Belles look to collect individual awards, as well. Junior Julia Adams and seniors Stefanie Simmerman and Chrissy Dunham look to earn a place on the first and second all-conference teams.

Hamilton believes the team will be ready for any challenges they will encounter this weekend. He cited the team's solid performance last weekend, despite the rigorous course, as proof of the team's ability to excel this weekend.

"This weekend's course has a lot of similarities to the course we played on last weekend," Hamilton said. "That's one of the reasons we scheduled that tournament last weekend."

Of utmost importance, Hamilton said, the team must show its ability to keep a level head under the pressure. He hopes the Belles will approach this meet as if it were a normal, regular season meet.

"We're trying not to get too jazzed up for it, but at the same time, we are excited to hoist the team banner in the gym if we win," Hamilton said.

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL GOLD LEAGUE

Badin and Lyons square off

By TOM DORWART, RAMA GOTTUMUKKALA and KATE SERYAK
Sports Writers

Two teams meet at 4 p.m. Sunday at McGlinn fields, and only one of them advances to the playoffs. In a must-win game for both squads, the 3-2 defending champions from Badin take on the 2-1-2 Lyons Lyons.

"We're not ready for our season to be over," Badin wide receiver and running back Meg Charlebois said. "It's a huge game, and we're going to give it all we've got."

Badin heads into the final game of the regular season coming off a 13-7 loss to Welsh Family, while Lyons skids into the do-or-die contest after failing to score in each of its past two games.

"We're looking to put some big points on the board," Lyons offensive lineman Laura Riebschleger said.

That goal might be tough to accomplish against an aggressive Badin defense.

"The defense is going to continue its level of intensity and will look for turnovers," Badin linebacker Christina O'Donnell said.

After barely missing the 2003 playoffs, Lyons upperclassmen said they would use their experience as motivation for the final game.

"We don't want to be in that situation again," junior line-backer Mosey Nuccio said.

Looking to rebound from a one-touchdown loss to Welsh Family, Badin continues its quest to defend its interhall title.

"Whoever wants this game

more is going to win it, and we've worked too hard this season to lie down now," O'Donnell said.

Howard vs. Off-Campus

The teams at the bottom of the women's gold league standings have labeled their upcoming game the "showdown of the losers." Winner takes all — a single win and bragging rights.

Howard (0-3-1) and Off-Campus (0-4) are both planning to leave it all on the field on Sunday at 5 p.m. at the West Quad field as one of them will get that elusive first win.

"I talked to a few of the girls from off-campus and we decided this was like the showdown of the losers because we're both at the bottom of the brackets," Howard captain Callie Whelan said. "So we're excited to see who can be the best of the worst."

But do not expect this match to be meaningless. After being overmatched by top teams like Welsh Family and Badin, Howard and Off-Campus will finally have the opportunity to face an opponent of similar stature to duke it out for the slot directly above last place in the division.

Of the two teams, Howard has enjoyed greater success this season based solely on its tie against Welsh Family, the No. 1 team in the division. With at least one good game under their belt, the Ducks will look to end their season on a positive note.

"Across the board, our offense has really come together and our defense has too," Whelan said. "The whole team has really come together and it'll be exciting to play a team of equal caliber."

Off-Campus has been taking a much more relaxed path during this season.

"We're really trying to improve our offense and our defense," Off-Campus captain Lauren Blum said. "We really seem to have plateaued at terrible. So maybe we can climb off that."

Lewis vs. Welsh Family

Four years ago, Lewis and Welsh met for the flag football championship game. Welsh Family won by a point, and thus began the rivalry between the two teams.

They weren't in the same league following the stadium showdown, but now, after two years, the teams will meet in regular season play.

"We've had a long standing rivalry with them," Welsh Family captain Mary Prendergast said. "I was there four years ago when we beat them in the stadium. It doesn't really matter what their record is — it's a big game and we are really geared up to play in it"

Welsh Family has been off to a great start this year with a record of 3-0-1. The Whirlwinds are currently undefeated, but Lewis certainly has the motivation to do it.

"This is the first time we've seen them in regular season play in two years," Lewis Captain Julia Burke said. "I just missed the stadium game by a year, but I've heard about it several times. Both teams are intense and get really geared up for the game."

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SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles to face final test before conference meet

By ANNA FRICANO
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's cross country team will travel to Illinois this afternoon to compete in the Eagle Invitational hosted by Benedictine University. Although the Belles will compete Oct. 30 in the MIAA cross-country championship, Friday's race marks the final non-conference meet of the year.

The Belles are taking full advantage of the opportunity to put forth one last surge of effort before they prepare for the conference meet.

Coach

Dave Barstis is confident in his runners' abilities.

"We traditionally do well there and I look for that to continue," Barstis said.

But the team hesitates to place too much weight on this race. With one more intense week of training before fall break, the team will treat the race as another workout, with the main goal being to have everyone in prime posi-

tion to peak in three weeks.

Saint Mary's biggest challenge in the upcoming weeks is to keep themselves focused and healthy. One of their main goals is to take extra precaution in the next couple of weeks to keep themselves in top shape.

As fall break approaches, the runners are trying to find the right balance between taking it easy and keeping themselves in shape. Practices in the past couple of weeks have focused on pulling everything together.

"[We're working on] getting our pace down," Sara Otto said.

Workouts have gotten shorter and more focused on speed. Otto's teammate junior Becky Feauto realizes the challenge that they face in the upcoming weeks.

"Over fall break we'll be on our own, so we're pushing ourselves to work hard through these work-outs," Feauto said.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish stick with what works in weekend matches

Brown decides to keep last weekend's changes to the lineup after win

By ANN LOUGHERY
Sports Writer

As the old saying goes, if something isn't broken, don't fix it.

In last weekend's match against Syracuse, Carolyn Cooper made her first start and stepped in at middle blocker.

The junior made quite an impression, chipping in seven blocks and a personal season-high three kills in one of Notre Dame's strongest defensive performances of the season.

The Irish will stick with Cooper at middle blocker when they travel to face Rutgers [11-4] and Seton Hall [6-12].

"[Cooper] brings a lot of energy to the court," coach Debbie Brown said. "We got the result we hoped we would from putting her in."

Brown hopes Cooper will have a similar impact this weekend,

beginning with Saturday's match against Rutgers.

Last weekend, Rutgers competed in the Big East Challenge and defeated Villanova in the consolation match 26-30, 30-21, 25-30, 30-26, 15-13. Scarlet Knights sophomore Lora Tankauskas looks to be an offensive threat, as last weekend she led Rutgers with a team-high 18 kills. Rutgers senior Abbey Martin's match-high 59 assists are numbers that would intimidate most teams.

But Brown believes the Irish are ready for any challenges

Rutgers might send their way.

"Neither [Rutgers or Seton Hall] has players we can't handle," Brown said. "We just can't beat ourselves by having unforced errors."

Seton Hall's setter Shawn McDonald looks to provide many of the offensive challenges the Irish will encounter on Sunday.

The senior collected her 4,000th assist in Tuesday's win against Fordham, recording a match-high 40 assists and 11 digs. After Tuesday's match, Seton Hall remains undefeated at home.

Despite the Irish opponents' impressive accolades, Brown believes Notre Dame is capable of notching wins at both Big East Conference matches this weekend.

"We need each individual to be consistent with their play and we need to have the whole team on the same page," Brown said. "With any team we play, we have to anticipate that they'll have career matches against us."

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Thompsons upset No. 6 team in ITA

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PACIFIC PALISADES, Calif. — Sophomore twins Christian Thompson and Catrina Thompson, the seventh-ranked doubles team in college tennis, knocked off the nation's No. 6 team 8-4 in Thursday's opening round of the Riviera/Intercollegiate Tennis Association [ITA] Women's All-American Championships, the first leg of the collegiate grand slam. The sisters, the first Irish doubles team to win a match in the main draw of the event since 1993, will next face the No. 1 team in Division I in Friday's quarterfinals at the Riviera Tennis Club.

The Notre Dame team won five straight games to rally from a 4-3 deficit in defeating a pair of juniors from the University of Alabama, Ashley Bentley and Robin Stephenson. The Crimson Tide team, comprised of players ranked No. 16 (Stephenson) and No. 49 (Bentley) nationally in singles, had been unbeaten this season following a 2003-04 campaign in which they were 23-9 and finished ranked 24th.

"The Thompsons played really well today," said Notre Dame head coach Jay Louderback of his doubles team. "They are really playing big-time tennis. They can play with anybody the way they are playing right now. It was really fun to watch them."

The twins got off to a strong start, using consistency to win the first three games in rapid fashion. Alabama took advantage of a bad service game by the Irish to begin a rally that would consist of four consecutive games ending in the Tide's column. Trailing 4-3, Christian Thompson found a groove with her serve, not missing a first serve in six attempts in the game in holding to even the score and begin the run that would end with the Irish prevailing.

Up next for the Irish pair will be an even bigger challenge, as they will take on Dianne Hollands and Maja Mlakar of Arizona at 4:30 p.m. The Wildcat team saved match points in rallying from a 7-6 deficit to win its first-round match in a tiebreaker against the 10th-ranked team in the nation, from Harvard.

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WOMEN'S GOLD INTERHALL LEAGUE

Pangborn defeats Howard in fourth straight win

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The Pangborn Phoxes continued their winning ways Thursday, using a strong offensive performance to top the inexperienced Howard Ducks, 27-6. The victory — Pangborn's fourth straight — puts them in good shape heading toward the postseason.

It took only one play for the prolific Phox offense to assert itself, as quarterback Katie Mooney connected with a streaking receiver for a 30-yard strike on the first play from scrimmage. After another first down, the Phoxes displayed their versatility as Mooney ran around the left end and, after drawing the defense, pitched the ball to tailback Trish Donelly, who ran it in for a score.

A completed pass on the point after attempt gave the Phoxes a 7-0 lead, a lead they would not relinquish.

Despite the early deficit, the Ducks didn't fold, responding on their first drive with an impressive quarterback draw that went 50 yards for the score. The touchdown brought the Ducks to within a point and gave them new hope.

But this hope was short-lived, as the Phoxes immediately countered with a touchdown on the first play of the ensuing drive. Mooney optioned this

time to tailback Brynn Johnson, who eluded countless Ducks on her way to a 70-yard score.

The dual tailback set gave the Howard Defense trouble all night. The Ducks often did not know who had the ball.

"We practiced hard all year on the handoffs," Pangborn coach Doug Cionni said. "[The dual tailback formation] has really picked up."

The Phoxes added two more scores in the second half — another option from Mooney to Donelly and a quarterback keeper late in the game — to seal the 27-6 win.

Lewis 35, Off-Campus 0

The Lewis Chicks made it clear from the start that they were a class above Off-Campus Thursday night as they cruised to a 35-0 victory.

The tone was set early on for Lewis.

On the second play from scrimmage, the Chicks (2-2-1) executed a hook-and-ladder play to perfection, covering 58 yards for the first of their five touchdowns. Quarterback Tiffany Roberts completed a short out pattern to Kara Bailey who lateralled the ball to Jocelyn Moya. Moya ran the rest of the way down the sideline for the score.

Roberts was just getting started as she had a hand in all the touchdowns. She had touchdown runs of 10, 11 and 63 yards as well as two passing touchdowns. Moya was the primary receiving target as she

had two touchdowns, including one on the hook and ladder play.

The Chick offense was as efficient as it was effective. None of the five scoring drives lasted longer than three plays.

"[Our team was] an offensive juggernaut tonight," Lewis coach Jay Murphy said.

Welsh Family 13, Badin 7

The Whirlwinds of Welsh Family turned up the pressure defensively and used an impressive air attack to beat the Badin Bullfrogs and run their record to a sterling 4-0-1.

Welsh Family was coming off a tie to Howard that cancelled their run at perfection. In that game, dropped passes were the major problem for the Whirlwinds. That was much less of a problem against Badin.

Quarterback Melissa Sands connected with wide receiver Lauren Heck for two touchdowns, accounting for both scores. The first touchdown came on a five-yard pass to the corner of the end zone, capping

off a long, sustained drive. The extra point was scored, and Welsh led 7-0.

For much of the rest of the game, defensive stands and field position were the keys to the Whirlwinds' success. 22Badin's quarterback Stephanie Heath was forced to scramble often due to the pocket repeatedly collapsing. Heath made the most of these situations, gaining significant yardage on many of her runs.

When Heath did have enough time to pass, she spread the ball around fairly effectively. Wide receivers Ashley O'Keefe and Lizzi Shappell made several impressive catches. Shappell, known as "Mo Sto" for her comparative resemblance in height to Maurice Stovall, used her height to her advantage on several balls.

The Whirlwinds made several fourth-down stops, including two when Badin was inside the red zone, one on fourth-and-goal. Badin, backed by an extremely boisterous crowd on

its sideline, made several drives in attempt to tie the score, all in vain.

After one such drive pinned Welsh Family deep in its own territory, Sands and Heck made their second connection, as Heck slipped pass the defense and scampered about 70 yards for the score that broke the Bullfrogs' back.

Badin never stopped trying to score, and with the aid of a bull-rushing penalty on the Welsh Family defensive line that negated a Whirlwind interception, they scored their lone touchdown with under two minutes left in the game.

On a fourth-down, Heath rolled out and hit Ashley O'Keefe in the right corner. The Bullfrogs got the extra point to close within six, but the Whirlwinds ran one more play to end the game.

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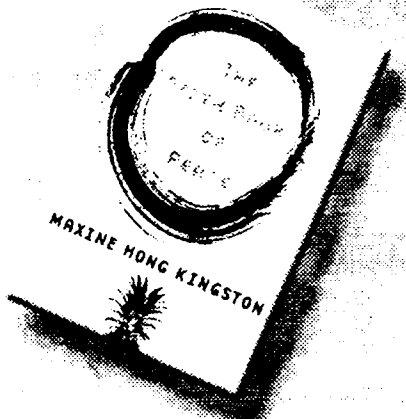
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Adrian

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One of the keys to Tuesday's win was the strong play of the bench, which continued to build the team's lead as almost every player made it onto the field. The Belles will look for similar play against Adrian on Saturday.

"We've had a lot of tight games; it's not often we get to empty the bench, to let the kids

who work equally hard in practice get on to the field," MacKenzie said. "The great thing about this team is its cohesion; the players who start and the ones who are supporting from the sidelines are all on the same page. The bench players have been awesome in accepting their roles, and making the most of their time on the field."

It has been that cohesion, which had been missing in past years, that has pushed the Belles to a higher level this sea-

son.

"We're not going to win the MIAA without utilizing our players," MacKenzie said. "Having only the 11 players on the field is not going to win this conference. It's important that all these kids get some experience and the opportunity to develop so that they can get in the flow."

No matter who makes it on to the field on Saturday, the Belles hope they can continue their recent surge in scoring. Tuesday's eight goals equaled the total combined scoring of

the previous five games for Saint Mary's, but they will face a talented goalie tandem on Saturday.

"They [Adrian] are a pretty good squad, and made us work hard last time, but their goalies are their strength," MacKenzie said. "Their goalies played terrific games against us the first time. We probably had 30 shots on goal against them last time, and we were only able to score three goals. We'll need to figure out how to put the ball in the back of the net."

As the Belles open up the second half of their season, they will look to be more consistent in their scoring than they were in the first half in order to have a shot at the MIAA crown.

"The results ... the other day will help motivate our kids to find the back of the net," MacKenzie said. "We don't want to get urgent, but hopefully the Tri-State game will give us the confidence we need ... to score."

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Big East

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In Friday's 4 p.m. match-up against Villanova, the Irish face a defensive oriented team. Much like Providence last Sunday, Notre Dame's opponent will sit back in its own end with the sole purpose of halting the

Irish offense.

Waldrum feels the Irish can turn the Wildcats' philosophy into an advantage.

"Right now we've got a different kind of an attacking team and I think it's better suited for teams that drop back and try to defend against us," he said.

Georgetown, under new head coach Dave Nolan, will pose the challenge of unfamiliarity.

Notre Dame will have to adjust to a system they have not yet scouted. Having to react to an unfamiliar style of play will help the Irish work on their biggest weakness, defending the counterattack.

"We know that we need to get on top first," Chapman said, "[but] when we go on the attack and they have a quick counterattack, that's the biggest thing we need to work on."

Waldrum will also look for one of his goaltenders to emerge as the premier starter on the team.

"I would like to still [rotate] if

I can," he said. "We might split games, we might split halves or if we've got one that just seems to be hot at the time we may just stick with that. That's the kind of question that those guys have to answer for us based on their performance."

Junior Erika Bohn is expected to start in goal for the Irish on Friday and Waldrum will evaluate his goalkeepers from their.

Aside from the goalkeeper

position, the Irish appear to be hitting on all cylinders. With two goals and two assists last

"If we work together, we're better than any team out there."

Candace Chapman
Irish forward/defender

weekend against West Virginia and Providence, junior forward Katie Thorkelson received Big East Offensive Player of the Week honors for the third time this season in just six weeks of play.

Thorkelson has been an offensive dynamo for Notre Dame, leading the nation in points (34) and assists (12).

Additionally, she has been on a streak of late, scoring a goal in her last five games, including four game-winners. Thorkelson rises to the occasion not only at big times but also against big opponents. In games against nationally-ranked teams, she has totaled 12 points with four goals and four assists.

Any shortcomings the Irish might have had on offense have been more than made up for by the defense. The defense has shut down opposing offenses to the point where Notre Dame has more goals scored (37) than their opponents have shots-on-goal (31).

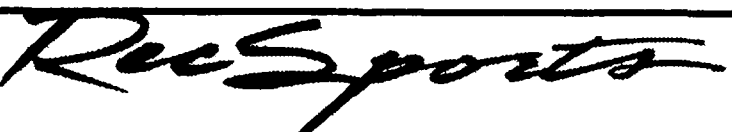
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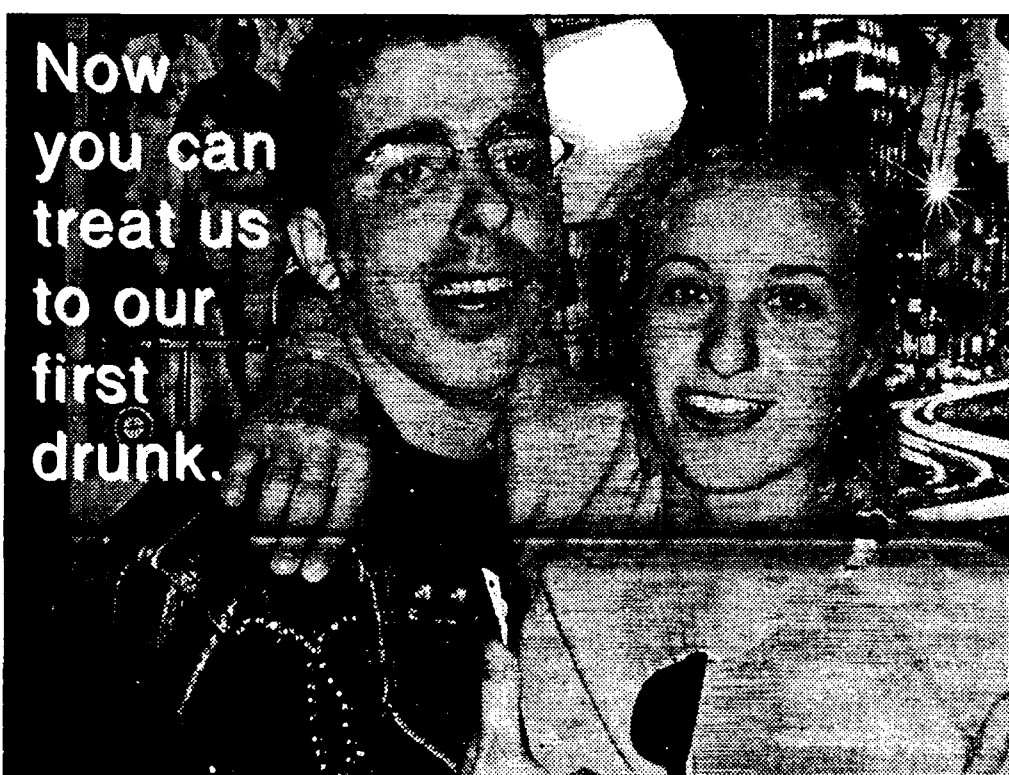
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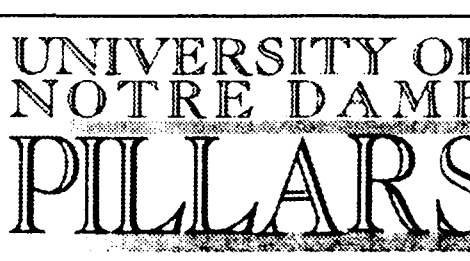
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Duluth

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"They did a good job of letting me see the puck and I'm excited for this season - we looked good on defense and our forwards looked good as well. This was a real all-around effort by the team tonight."

Poulin was concerned about how the Irish would respond to rule changes instituted by the NCAA this year, in which referees were asked to be more diligent in calling penalties. Those changes materialized in the final stats, with a total of 23 penalties called between the two teams, including two major penalties of five minutes.

Notre Dame's penalty kill was 1-for-12 on the night, while Minnesota-Duluth finished the game 1-for-11.

"Penalty kill is always important but this year it's especially important with the referees

cracking down [on calling more penalties]," Irish forward and penalty kill team member Jason Paige said. "We not only have to take pride in our penalty kill, but it's something we have to excel at."

Penalties against both teams helped lead to Notre Dame's first goal, as Josh Sciba scored

on a hard slapshot from the blue line 7 minutes, 5 seconds into the first period while the teams skated four-on-four.

The Bulldogs came right back a little more than three minutes later when Minnesota-Duluth bounced the puck off the end boards and it came right back to Josh Miskovich,

who beat Cey with a low shot through the legs.

The Irish came back in the second with their first power play goal of the season. McLean skated the puck in from the left boards and wristed a low shot short side from the left face-off dot to beat Minnesota-Duluth goalie Isaac Reichmuth.

Notre Dame tried to maintain its lead in the third period, but a five-minute major and game misconduct by freshman forward Victor Oreskovich gave Minnesota-Duluth a long power play and the Bulldogs took advantage with 7:33 left in the game.

From behind Cey's net, Evan Schwabe made a perfect centering pass to Tim Stapleton, who beat the Irish goalie top shelf as he tried to slide over from the post to make the save.

The two teams face off again tonight at the Joyce Center with the puck drop scheduled for 7:35 p.m.

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First Period
ND — Josh Sciba (Tim Wallace), 7:05;
UMD — Josh Miskovich (Brett Hammond), 10:47.

Second Period
ND — Cory McLean (Wes O'Neill, Brock Sheahan), 14:00 PP.

Third Period
UMD — Tim Stapleton (Evan Schwabe), 12:27 PP.

Overtime
No scoring.

Shots on goal: Notre Dame 27, Minnesota-Duluth 40. Power plays: Notre Dame 1-of-11, Minnesota-Duluth 1-of-12. Goalies: Morgan Cey 38 saves out of 40 shots (ND), Isaac Reichmuth 25 saves out of 27 shots (UMD).

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Left wing Mike Walsh slides into the slot for a shot on goal.

Megna

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the goal and saw that I got close and ripped a shot."

The Panthers were able to hold a sharpshooting Irish offense to Megna's lone goal well into the second period.

"I thought that the first half we actually played very well," coach Bobby Clark said. "We actually went into a lull in the second half ... in the second half I felt we didn't get quite into that rhythm."

The battle for goals was aggressive, as referees stopped play a number of times for fouls. Although Pittsburgh gave up fouls that put the Irish in prime scoring position, they managed to stifle Notre Dame's scoring attempts.

"Set plays we've spent a lot of time on—we should be good at them," Clark said. "I think for some reason tonight we didn't quite get the service where we wanted them and I don't know why."

It was one weak spot for an otherwise strong squad who forced goalie Chris Sawyer to make only two saves. In the season's 11 games, one of the

nation's top defenses has given up only six goals — none in the last 363 minutes of play.

The defense has also lit up the scoreboards, as Christopher High moved deep into Pittsburgh territory in the 80th minute to execute a textbook header on a Luke Boughen cross.

"Just when I was starting to bite my fingernails it was great

for Christopher High to score that second goal," Clark said. "That really took the pressure off."

Megna sealed the deal three minutes later, as he picked up a cross from Joe Lampira to pad the Irish victory.

"It was very nice for Tony — it's nice that Tony's starting to play," Clark said.

The Irish now look forward

to conference rival Syracuse, who travels to Alumni Field on Sunday. The Orangemen are 2-7-0 this year and look to pick up their first conference win in their fourth Big East game.

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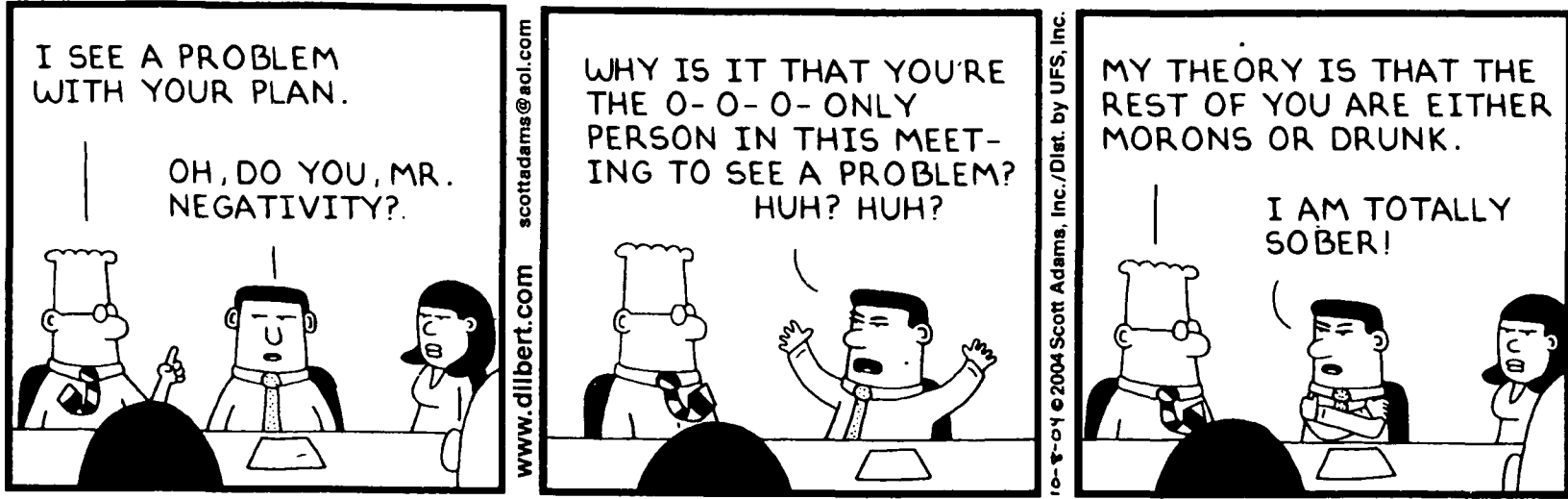
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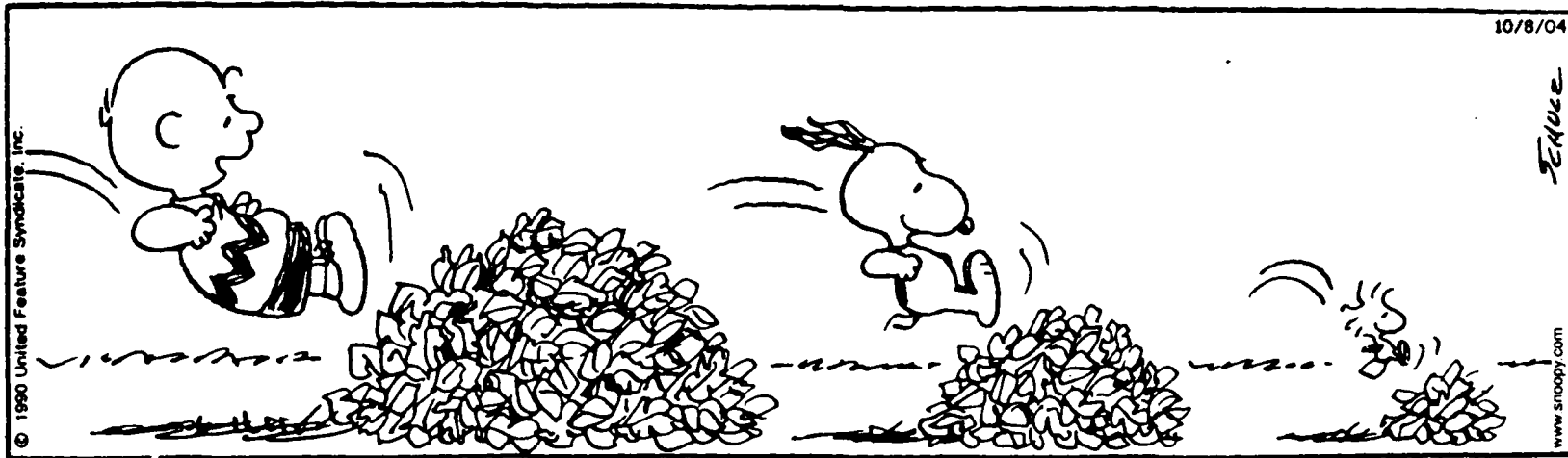
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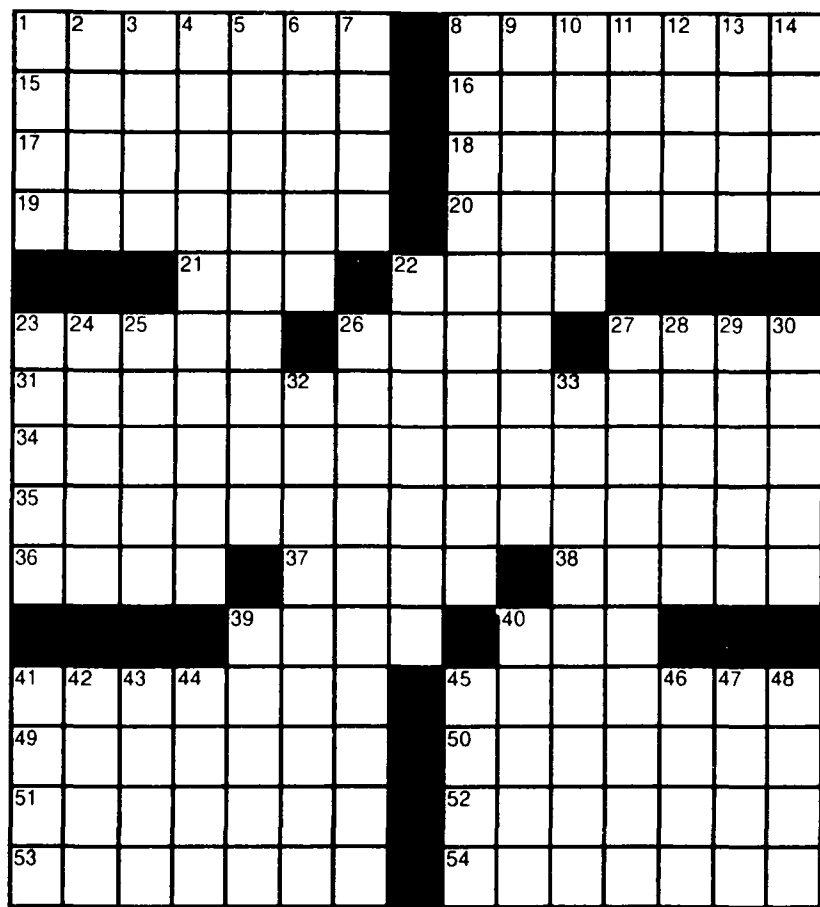
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HOCKEY

Notre Dame ties Minnesota-Duluth, 2-2

Teams face off again at Joyce Center tonight

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associate Sports Editor

Against a Minnesota-Duluth team with 11 seniors, it was the Irish upperclassmen who played biggest of all.

Senior forward Cory McLean scored a goal and senior goalie Morgan Cey made 38 saves as the Irish opened the 2004-05 season in a 2-2 tie with No. 4 Minnesota-Duluth.

"Overall I was particularly pleased with our effort," Irish

coach Dave Poulin said. "[Minnesota-Duluth] had a lot of seniors coming back and they certainly merit their ranking."

The Irish open the season hoping to return to the NCAA tournament after making their first tournament appearance in team history last year. Two factors helped lead to Notre Dame's successful NCAA bid — a competitive non-conference schedule and a solid home record.

The Irish are off to a good start in both respects this season, as they either won or tied at the Joyce Center for the 15th straight regular season game

dating back to the team's home-opening loss to Bowling Green last season.

Another reason for Notre Dame's success in the 2003-04 season was solid goaltending, and that has also continued so far this season. Cey was especially strong in the third period and overtime, when the Irish were outshot 23-9.

"I felt well out there," Cey said. "Some people were wondering how we were going to replace our veteran defense from last year and I thought our defense did a remarkable job out there tonight."

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From left, goalie Morgan Cey and defenders Wes O'Neill and Matt Amado defend the puck against Minnesota-Duluth Thursday night.

ND SOCCER

Big East teams play weekend showdowns

Men pummel Panthers; Syracuse next

Women play Villanova, Georgetown

By KATE GALES
Sports Writer

Make it four straight shutouts for Notre Dame, four Big East wins and four goals in the past two games for forward Tony Megna.

The No. 9 Irish are finding their rhythm as they slash through their



TIM SULLIVAN/The Observer

Forward Tony Megna gives chase against Boston College.

October schedule, leaving a trail of defeated opponents in their wake. A rock-solid defense and lightning-quick offense sent Pittsburgh home with a 3-0 loss Thursday night and improved the team to 8-2-1 on the season.

"Ever since we lost the game to West Virginia ... every Big East game we're really brought up the intensity," Megna said. "We don't want to lose another one of those. Overall we did pretty good—we had the chance, scored the goals [and] got the shutout."

The Irish dominated play in the first half but were unable to find the back of the net until Megna hit a shot in the 38th minute to put the team ahead 1-0 going into the half.

"Justin McGeeney just turned and played a ball into me," Megna said. "I basically turned and I sort of took a bad touch. I lost it, got back up, beat the defender there, turned towards

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By MATT MOONEY
Sports Writer

When a team is undefeated and ranked No. 1 in the country, it is easy to understand how the group might begin to feel complacent.

But coach Randy Waldrum is determined not to let that happen to his Irish squad, especially this weekend.

"We've gone through this before, we did this last year going undefeated," he said. "I think [we learned] that, going undefeated and losing three of your last five last year, you can't overlook things."

Top-ranked Notre Dame (12-0-0, 5-0-0 Big East) again takes its act on the road, trying not to overlook the challenge of Big East opponents Villanova (9-3-0, 3-2-0) and Georgetown (5-5-0, 2-1-0).

"Going on the road in the Big East, that in itself is a big enough problem," Waldrum said.

Despite the challenges, the perfect start has Notre Dame players feeling very confident about their performance level.

"We've just been working really well as a team," forward/defender Candace Chapman said. "If we work together, we're better than any team out there."

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HILLARY THORNTON/The Observer

Midfielder Annie Scheffer dribbles downfield against Providence.

SMC SOCCER

Streaking Belles host winless Adrian after victory

By RYAN DUFFY
Sports Writer

The Belles are hoping to start off the second half of their season the same way they started off the first half — with a win

against Adrian.

After exploding for eight goals in Tuesday's 8-1 win over Tri-State University, Saint Mary's will look to continue their strong play when they face Adrian at home on Saturday.

"This is our second game

against Adrian, and they're coming to us this time," coach Caryn MacKenzie said. "It's nice to have the advantage of two home games in a row; this is the only time all year that happens."

While the Belles sit in second

place in the MIAA standings, Adrian is at the bottom, having not won a single game all year. In their first meeting back on Sept. 11, the Belles looked good all around in a 3-0 shutout.

"We're feeling confident coming off Tuesday's win; we're just

going to have to play our kind of soccer on our field," MacKenzie said. "Adrian's going to have to bring a different look than what they showed us earlier in the year."

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

WOMEN'S INTERHALL

Pangborn 27
Howard 6

The Phoxes defeated the inexperienced Ducks for their fourth straight victory.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Big East foes await

The Irish take on Rutgers and Syracuse this weekend after last weekend's win over Syracuse.

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

No. 7 doubles
team wins upset

Christian and Catrina Thompson defeated the No. 6 doubles team 8-4 Thursday.

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SMC XC

Eagle Invitational
Friday afternoon

The Belles compete in the final non-conference race of the year.

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MEN'S INTERHALL

Alumni vs. Keenan
Sunday, 2 p.m.

Two Gold League powerhouses clash at Riehle fields.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Saint Mary's at
Calvin

Tonight, 7 p.m.

The Belles take on Calvin after a tough loss to Kalamazoo.

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Armed and Dangerous

**Brady Quinn is coming
into his own during
his second season under
center for the Irish.**

CLAIRE K. LEEY and

Irish can't underestimate Cardinal

It was supposed to be the turning point of the season. The team who won that game was the one to go on to a great season. And Purdue hadn't won at that stadium in 30 years. Notre Dame would surely win.



Heather Van Hoegarden

Sports Editor

But then, Purdue won. And the Irish were left to evaluate their 41-16 defeat.

It was Purdue's game to win — they had the experienced quarterback, they had the better team this year. So the loss wasn't devastating — at least not yet.

Stanford brings a football team to Notre Dame Stadium on Saturday that is perhaps the best they've had since Irish coach Tyrone Willingham left to roam the Notre Dame sideline.

This is a team that was beating last year's co-national champion USC 28-17 at halftime.

It is a team that has just one loss — to the Trojans.

It is a team that beat Brigham Young handily, just one week after the Cougars

beat the Irish. But most of all, it is a dangerous team, especially if you're Notre Dame.

Stanford was defeated easily last season by the Irish, but this year should be different. This is not the same team. The Cardinal are not the pushover they once were, and the Irish are not the dominating powerhouse they once were.

So where does the challenge come for Notre Dame? After all, Stanford has yet to play a road game this season.

They haven't beaten the Irish at Notre Dame Stadium since they were ranked No. 19 in 1992.

But don't worry, Stanford will present plenty of challenges for Notre Dame.

Quarterback Trent

Edwards is much-improved from last year.

He completes over 60 percent of his passes,

and he will test the inconsistent Irish secondary.

The sophomore was recruited

to Stanford by Willingham, and the Irish coach knows what he can do.

But Edwards and his 131.65 pass efficiency ratio are just the beginning of Notre Dame's challenges.

Kick returner T.J. Rushing

is becoming a star in the return game.

The junior has the nation's best return average, and

quite frankly,

the Irish

have trouble

defending

kickoffs. Carl

Gioia has

struggled to

get the ball

to the end

zone and coverage

has

struggled, with players

missing assignments

and tackles.

Tuesday, Willingham

attributed his team's

struggles in kickoff

coverage to

technique and

breakdowns.

But when Jerome

Brooks

raced 100 yards

last week

for a touchdown,

it wasn't

an unfamiliar

site this year.

Images of Michigan

State's

DeAndre Cobb

scampering

89 yards for a

touchdown just

two weeks ear-

lier were

renewed.

But don't for-

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Oshiomogho

Atogwe — and

with a name

like that, how

could you? The

senior free

safety is a

playmaker. He

has picked off

one pass and

forced two

fumbles thus

far this season.

He's someone

the Cardinal

count on for

a big hit on

defense.

But don't count

on the

Irish for a win. This game will be a battle. The 57 points Notre Dame scored last year in Palo Alto, Calif.,

are still a sore

spot for the

Cardinal. And

why wouldn't it

be? Stanford

scored just one

touchdown.

Maybe the

scariest part

of this game

for Notre Dame

is the pressure.

The Irish need this game. They can't lose two weeks in a row, especially after a blowout.

They can't start a downward spiral that would eerily resemble last year's. This team has been "blown-out" in the last two years by Michigan, USC, Florida

State, Syracuse and Purdue. Notre Dame needs to bounce back from last week. They

need a win over a good team, like Stanford.

The Irish have lost two games but could still have a successful season, despite last weekend's loss to a very good football team. They

just have to know it's not over because of the score.

In fact, it all starts again Saturday afternoon.

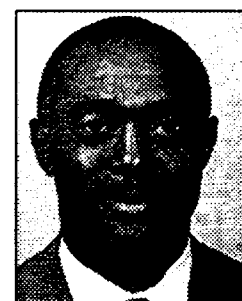
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The Cardinal is not the pushover they once were, and the Irish are not the powerhouse they once were.

game hype



Tyrone Willingham
Irish head coach

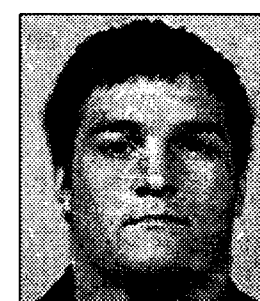
"They have a really explosive offense. Their quarterback is starting to get poised and really show what he can do."

"Stanford is coming to town probably the best that we've seen them in the last two years."



Derek Curry
Irish linebacker

"You have to go out there and make sure you are on top of every play and that you know every facet of the offense."



Dan Stevenson
Irish offensive lineman

"It will be good to play in a place as storied as Notre Dame and the guys have a sense of the history when it comes to playing there ..."



Buddy Teevens
Cardinal head coach

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Passing his test

Irish quarterback Brady Quinn has been a big reason for an improved passing game

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Writer

Before every football game, Brady Quinn takes a shot. Of honey, that is.

Notre Dame's second-year quarterback has kept the same pre-game ritual since third grade.

"Usually, I'll come in about 20 minutes before the game and about then I'll take a shot or a good amount of honey ... my uncle told me 'Take it before a game, it gives you some extra energy' and I've been doing it every since," Quinn said. "It's kind of tradition."

As the Irish quarterback, Quinn is hoping to follow another kind of tradition — that of the great Notre Dame signal-callers before him. Players like Montana, Theismann and Mirer have already proven themselves under center, and Quinn hopes to eventually add his own name to that impressive list.

Quinn knows he has a long journey ahead before being compared to those Irish legends. But midway through his sophomore season, the Dublin, Ohio, native is showing progress from when he started nine games as a freshman in 2003. Like any team, the 2004 Irish will continue relying on their quarterback's decision-making and productivity to help tally victories for the remainder of the season. Quinn knows what's expected of him and says he's ready for the challenges.

"It's important to have goals every season and every week," he said. "Individually, I'm trying to become a better leader. That's something I'm trying to stress and to keep trying to improve on the little things."

Thrown into the fire

Quinn had plenty of choices for college. Throwing for 2,149 yards, 25 touchdowns and just four interceptions opens up doors for any high school quarterback. Of the more than 30 schools that recruited him,

Quinn narrowed his options to three — Notre Dame, Michigan and Ohio State.

It didn't take the Dublin Coffman High School star long to make a final choice.

"The decision was based on the overall feeling I got here," said Quinn, who committed early in the recruiting process. "[Head] coach [Tyrone] Willingham, the coaching staff and the players gave me the impression that [Notre Dame] was some place I saw myself going."

While recruiting Quinn, Willingham told the young quarterback what he tells every recruit — the best player will play.

"He told me, 'You'll have an opportunity,'" Quinn said. "He didn't say anything else — where I was to play, whatever it was. I just took that and tried to do my best and work myself into that role."

It didn't take Quinn long to see his first game action as a freshman. When Notre Dame quarterback Carlyle Holiday left the opening game against Washington State for a few plays with an injury, Quinn got the call. He didn't do too much, just handed the ball off to running back Julius Jones. But the drive resulted in a touchdown, and Quinn got his first taste of the field.

The next week, during a 38-0 drubbing to Michigan, Quinn entered the game late and threw his first pass. He finished the game 3-for-10 with an interception.

After seeing significant playing time in a loss to Michigan State, Quinn was named the starter for the Purdue game. In that 23-10 Irish defeat, the Notre Dame offense couldn't run the ball at all, forcing Quinn to throw 59 passes — the second most in school history. Quinn started the final eight games, finishing the season with 1,831 passing yards, nine touchdowns and 15 interceptions, as Notre Dame struggled to a 5-7 mark. But for Quinn, the season wasn't a total loss.

"It was just something that when you're the quarterback, you're going to have some good games and bad," he said. "There will be times when you get hit a lot and games where you don't get hit or touched at all, so you just have to go with the flow, with the good and bad."

"But I thought it was a good experience for me. Obviously I've learned a lot over the past year."

Making his strides

In 2004, Notre Dame players and fans expected the entire Irish team to show significant improvement after a dismal 2003 season. But against Brigham Young in the opening game, the Irish fell flat in a 20-17 loss.

Quinn managed to finish the game 26-for-47 for 256 yards and one touchdown, but Notre Dame's offense was anemic for most of the game. The stats weren't important; the final result was.

"It's frustrating to the standpoint you always look to see what you could have done better to get things done," Quinn said. "Statistically, maybe it was a good game. But a good game comes to down to winning and losing, regardless of the stats. That's how you grade yourself, so any time you don't get a win, that's extremely frustrating in itself."

But Quinn, along with an impressive game from freshman tailback Darius Walker, led Notre Dame to a critical victory against then-No. 8 Michigan the next week. In the win against Michigan State, Quinn and the offense began to click even more.

After the win, Irish offensive lineman Dan Stevenson credited Quinn with leading the offense and helping the unit mesh together during the first few games of the season.

"You need somebody who can take charge of the huddle and typically that position is given to the quarterback just because he's calling the plays and calling the shots," Stevenson said. "He comes in there with a lot more confidence. He knows what he's doing and he's not afraid to make the calls."

Quinn helped the offense follow its Michigan State performance with a trouncing of Washington, where the quarterback tossed four touchdown passes in the first half, tying a Notre Dame Stadium record.

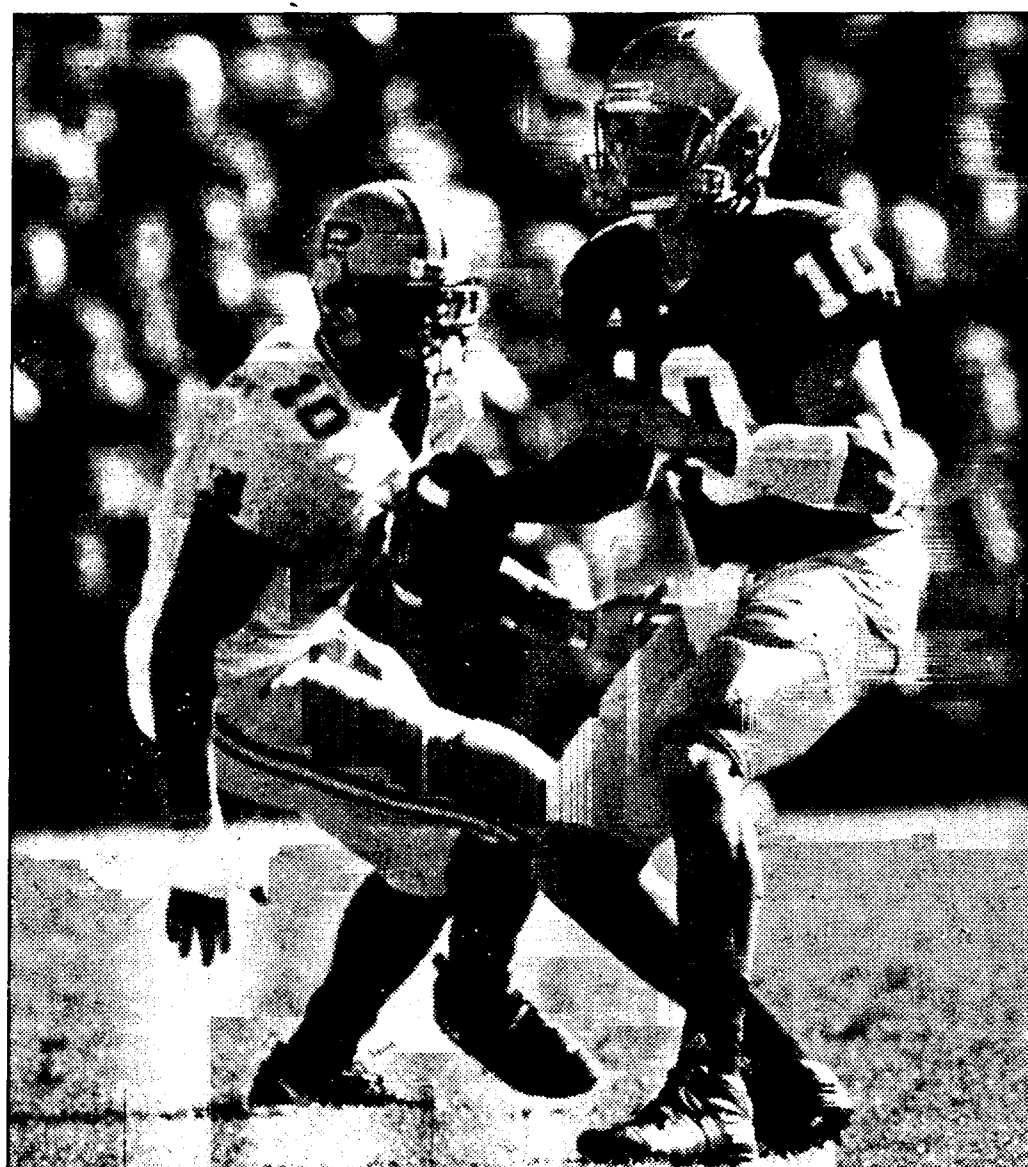
Then last week, in a loss to Purdue, Quinn matched the Boilermakers' Heisman Trophy candidate Kyle Orton in every quarterback category, except touchdown passes.

Willingham said he has continued seeing improvement from his sophomore quarterback.

"I've said all along that I have a great deal of respect for Brady, his skill level, his leadership, his focus, his concentration," the third-year Irish coach said. "I think we have an excellent quarterback to command our system. And I think he keeps getting more knowledgeable each day and I think he's driven to be the best."

Still, Quinn seldom, if ever, pats himself on the back.

"If you want to be the best and try and achieve perfection,



CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Brady Quinn tries to get rid of the ball before Purdue defensive end Ray Edwards can sack him.

you have to be your biggest critic," Quinn said. "You have to look for any little thing you can improve on, which will better yourself and, in turn, better the team."

Eying his goals

Quinn said, even before signing with the Irish, that he understood the pressures of being the Notre Dame quarterback. If the team does well, he gets much of the credit. If they struggle, he gets much of the blame. With either situation, Quinn was ready for the challenge.

"That's just being a quarterback," he said. "Any time you assume that role, you have to realize the spotlight comes with it. All the stuff outside of playing football and watching film comes with it, so you just have to take the pressures of it and the different situations you may

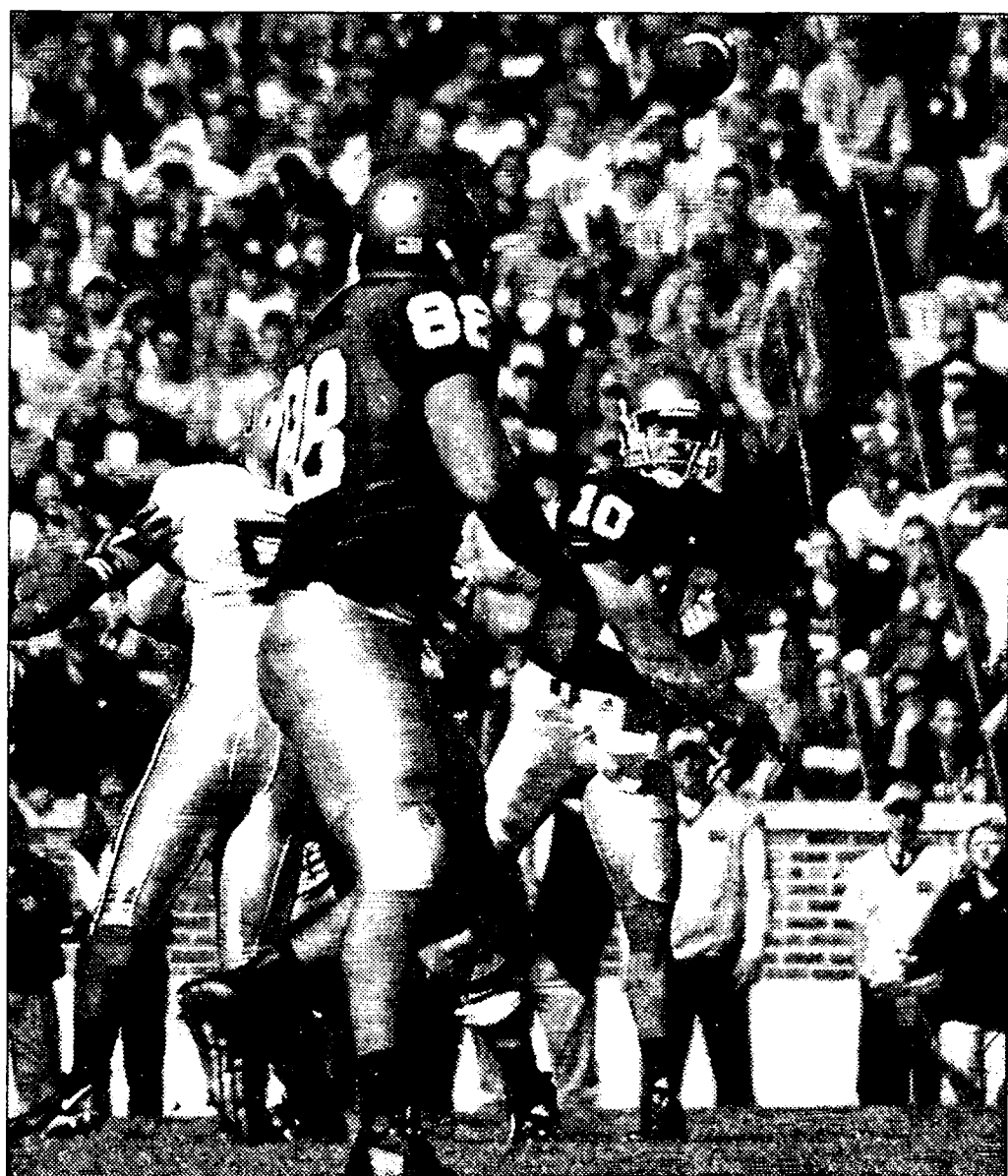
come into with it."

Quinn said he still has many aspects of his game to work on for the remainder of the 2004 season. He also has one overriding objective to reach before his four years are finished at Notre Dame.

"I just want to be more efficient in taking care of the football and become more consistent," he said. "Keep the chain moving; keep the offense flowing. ... You always want to set goals for yourself. Obviously, a national championship is on [the goals list]. Trying to get these teams going undefeated and things like that."

And what if Quinn does lead an Irish team to the national title? Eating honey may become a new trend.

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CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer

Brady Quinn throws a pass to Anthony Fasano in Notre Dame's 41-16 loss to Purdue Saturday.

by the numbers

margin of scoring so far for Stanford's season. The Cardinal have scored 135 points while their opponents have scored 57 points

76

21

rank nationally for the Cardinal in scoring offense at 33.8 points per game

the last year the Irish lost to Stanford at Notre Dame Stadium. Tyrone Willingham beat the Irish three times during his coaching tenure at Stanford, but all of those wins were at Stanford.

1992

2.5

average yards per rush allowed by the Stanford defense

number of receiving touchdowns allowed by the Stanford defense so far this season

2

88

number of points the Irish have scored against Stanford in Buddy Teevens' two games against Notre Dame

average yards per kick return for Stanford, the third best average in the nation

34.0

24.5

average yards per kick return allowed so far by Notre Dame, including two touchdowns off kick returns

Notre Dame Fighting Irish

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Tyrone Willingham
head coach

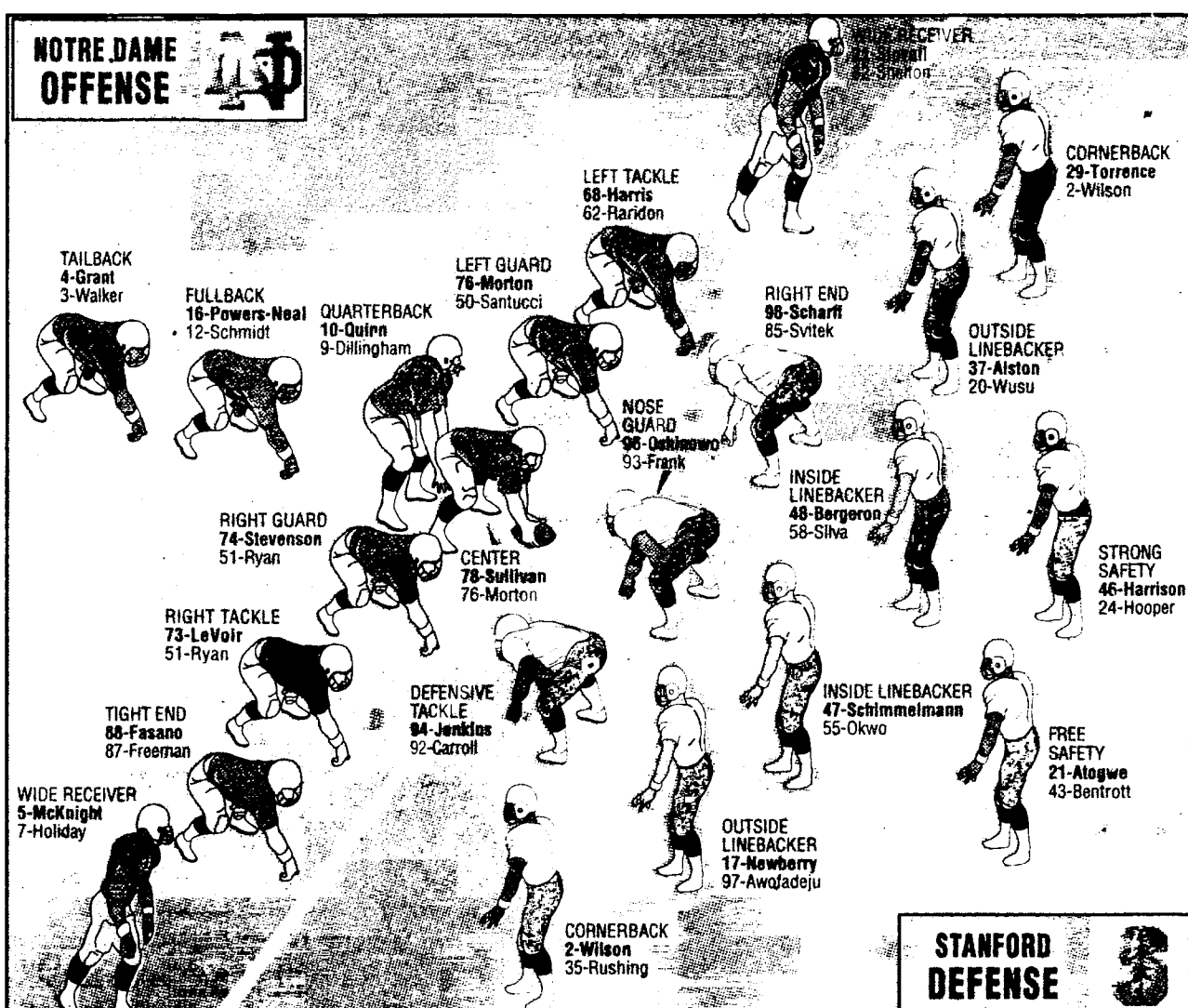
Tyrone Willingham
third season at
Notre Dame
career record:
62-48-1
at Notre Dame:
18-12
against
Stanford: 2-0

Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
1	Jared Clark	TE	6-4	250	SR
2	Freddie Parrish	DB	6-1	202	SO
3	Darius Walker	RB	5-11	200	FR
4	Ryan Grant	RB	6-1	218	SR
5	Rhema McKnight	WR	6-1	215	JR
6	Carlos Campbell	CB	5-11	195	SR
7	Carlyle Holiday	WR/QB	6-3	215	SR
8	Marty Mooney	QB	6-2	210	JR
9	Quentin Burrell	FS	6-0	195	SR
10	Tom Zbikowski	DB	5-11	203	SO
11	Pat Dillingham	QB	6-2	205	SR
12	Brady Quinn	QB	6-4	224	SO
13	Marcus Wilson	FB	5-11	202	SR
14	Josh Schmidt	FB	6-1	232	SR
15	Preston Jackson	CB	5-9	180	SR
16	Rashon Powers-Neal	FB	6-2	243	SR
17	Stan Revelle	QB	5-11	195	SR
18	Geoffrey Price	P	6-3	190	SR
19	J.J. Warren	QB	6-1	184	SO
20	Darren Bragg	QB	6-2	185	FR
21	Chinedum Ndukwe	DB	6-2	223	SO
22	D.J. Fitzpatrick	K/P	6-1	200	SR
23	Maurice Stovall	WR	6-5	227	JR
24	Ambrose Wooden	CB	5-11	186	SO
25	Chase Anastasio	WR	6-1	202	SR
26	Dwight Ellick	CB	5-10	185	SR
27	Nate Schiccato	FB	6-2	242	JR
28	Wade Iams	DB	5-8	170	FR
29	Travis Thomas	RB	6-0	212	SO
30	Lionel Bolen	DB	6-0	210	SR
31	John Lyons	RB	6-1	192	SO
32	Tregg Duerson	DB	5-10	170	FR
33	Cole Laux	FB	5-10	240	SR
34	Mike Richardson	DB	5-11	190	JR
35	Jake Carney	FS	6-0	192	JR
36	A.J. Cedeno	DB	6-0	191	SO
37	Jeff Jenkins	RB	6-0	216	JR
38	Justin Hoskins	RB	6-0	195	FR
39	Terrill Lambie	DB	5-10	190	FR
40	Junior Jabbe	DB	5-11	190	FR
41	Matt Mitchell	CB	5-9	190	JR
42	Leo Ferrine	DB	6-0	180	FR
43	Brandon Hoyte	LB	5-11	231	SR
44	Maurice Crum, Jr.	LB	6-1	215	FR
45	Mike Goolsby	LB	6-4	242	SR
46	Anthony Vernaglia	LB	6-4	220	FR
47	Anthony Salvador	LB	6-2	232	JR
48	Justin Tuck	DE	6-5	261	SR
49	Carl Gioia	K/P	5-10	185	SO
50	Rich Whitney	DB	6-3	205	JR
51	Corey Mays	LB	6-1	243	SR
52	Mitchell Thomas	LB	6-3	230	SO
53	Jerome Collins	TE	6-4	258	SR
54	Derek Curry	LB	6-3	235	SR
55	Dan Santucci	OL	6-4	292	JR
56	Jamie Ryan	OL	6-5	310	JR
57	Joe Brockington	LB	6-1	225	SO
58	Dan Hickey	OL	6-3	224	JR
59	Joseph Boland	LB	6-3	224	JR
60	David Fitzgerald	OL	6-4	285	JR
61	Zachary Giles	C	6-3	281	SR
62	Nick Borsetti	LB	6-4	238	SO
63	Abdel Banda	LB	6-2	215	FR
64	James Bent	OL	6-1	271	JR
65	Dan Chervanick	DT/NG	6-2	265	JR
66	Casey Cullen	LB	6-2	212	SO
67	J.J. Jansen	LS	6-3	215	FR
68	Scott Radiron	OT	6-6	310	JR
69	Casey Dunn	DE	6-4	256	SR
70	Tim Kadzman	DE	6-3	210	FR
71	Derek Landri	NG	6-2	278	JR
72	John Kados	DE	6-7	310	FR
73	Ryan Harris	OL	6-5	289	SO
74	Darin Mitchell	OG	6-3	290	SR
75	Chauncey Incarnato	OL	6-6	280	FR
76	James Bonelli	OL	6-4	290	JR
77	Jeff Thompson	OL	6-4	285	SR
78	Mark LeVoi	OT	6-7	310	SR
79	Dan Stevenson	OG	6-5	293	SR
80	Chris Frome	DE	6-5	271	JR
81	Bob Morton	OG/C	6-4	300	JR
82	Greg Pauly	DT	6-6	295	SO
83	John Sullivan	C	6-3	295	SO
84	Brian Mattes	OL	6-5	292	JR
85	Chris Vaughn	WR	6-4	205	FR
86	Brandon Harris	WR	6-1	190	JR
87	Matt Shelton	WR	6-0	175	SR
88	Jeff Samardzija	WR	6-5	215	SO
89	Mike O'Hara	WR	5-9	175	JR
90	Rob Woods	WR	6-2	205	JR
91	Billy Palmer	TE	6-3	256	SR
92	Marcus Freeman	TE	6-2	248	JR
93	Anthony Fasano	TE	6-4	256	JR
94	John Carlson	TE	6-5	248	SO
95	Brian Beidatsch	DL	6-2	295	SR
96	Craig Cardillo	K	6-0	169	JR
97	Kyle Budinscak	DE	6-4	275	SR
98	Brandon Nicolas	DE	6-5	275	FR
99	Justin Brown	DL/LB	6-4	225	FR
	Victor Abiamiri	DE	6-5	269	SO
	Bobby Renkes	K/P	6-0	190	SO
	Travis Leitko	DE	6-6	275	JR
	Trevor Talley	DL	6-0	285	SO
	Ronald Talley	DL	6-4	245	FR

NOTRE DAME 2004 Schedule

Sept. 4	at BYU - L
Sept. 11	MICHIGAN - W
Sept. 18	at Michigan St. - W
Sept. 25	WASHINGTON - W
Oct. 2	PURDUE - L
Oct. 9	STANFORD
Oct. 16	at NAVY
Oct. 23	BOSTON COLLEGE
Nov. 6	at Tennessee
Nov. 13	PITTSBURGH
Nov. 27	at USC



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NOTRE DAME

Willingham's third season so far at Notre Dame has been hard to decipher. A loss to a bad BYU team, and a win against Michigan coupled with an absolute embarrassment at home against Purdue hasn't made the natives too happy. Still, Willingham is 2-0 against Stanford.

Quinn actually threw for more yards than Orton in Notre Dame's loss to Purdue. The sophomore has had several prolific passing games in a row and looks to be acclimating himself to Bill Diedrick's West Coast-style offense more and more each game.

The Irish run game has sputtered since Walker's coming-out party against Michigan. No Notre Dame rusher has reached 100 yards or more since that game. So far this season, the Irish are only averaging 2.8 yards per rush.

Quinn has averaged 271.2 yards per game this season, compared to 152.6 yards per game in 2003. Notre Dame has a bevy of talented receivers, and with the discovery of Fasano as a legitimate threat against Purdue that should only help the Irish passing attack even more.

STANFORD

Teevens has never done much of anything during his career, compiling a losing record during his time at Maine, Dartmouth, Tulane and Stanford. Still, his Cardinal did almost upset No. 1 USC at Stanford earlier this season.

Edwards is also in his second year leading the Cardinal offense, and has been more than capable so far. The sophomore has thrown for seven touchdowns with four interceptions and is completing passes at a 61.1 percent clip.

The Cardinal have only given up 85.5 yards per game and just five touchdowns in their four games this season. Schimmelmann leads the team with 27 tackles and Atogwe isn't far behind with 24 tackles. Stanford held USC's vaunted running game to just 99 yards.

Stanford's pass defense is about average, but two stats especially jump out — the Cardinal have only allowed two touchdowns passing this season and they have yet to record a sack. Matt Leinart and USC were able to pass at will in the second half of their win over Stanford.

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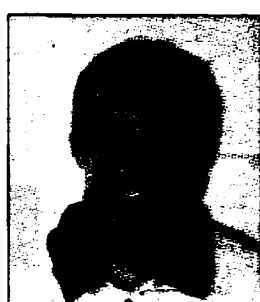
While Stanford is off to a 3-1 start this year, Teevens hasn't done much in his career to prove himself as a winning football coach. When your claim to fame is having a Tulane team go undefeated — two years after you left the team — there's problems.

Quinn and Edwards are both young quarterbacks with a lot of promise. Each has shown the capability this season to make solid passes while avoiding interceptions. With two very good run defenses in this game, the quarterbacks will need to produce.

Stanford's defense is much improved from last year, particularly in the running game. Their ability to stop the run combined with Notre Dame's inability to run block could mean a long day for the Irish running backs if the line can't make enough holes.

If Stanford can stop the Irish run, Quinn should have success against an average pass defense that has allowed 235 yards passing per game so far. The Cardinal's lack of size in the defensive backfield should be an advantage for the Irish.

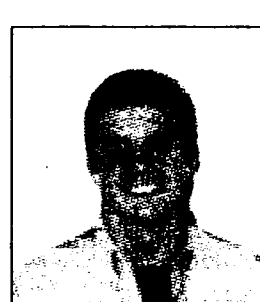
Irish experts



Matt Lozar
Editor in Chief

Willingham and his staff want this game more than anything every year. Last week's embarrassment serves as a reminder to this team not to let 2004 become 2003. The defense regains its impressive form, and the offense gets back to putting points on the board for next week's big matchup with 5-0 Navy (who would have thought that would ever happen).

FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 34, Stanford 16



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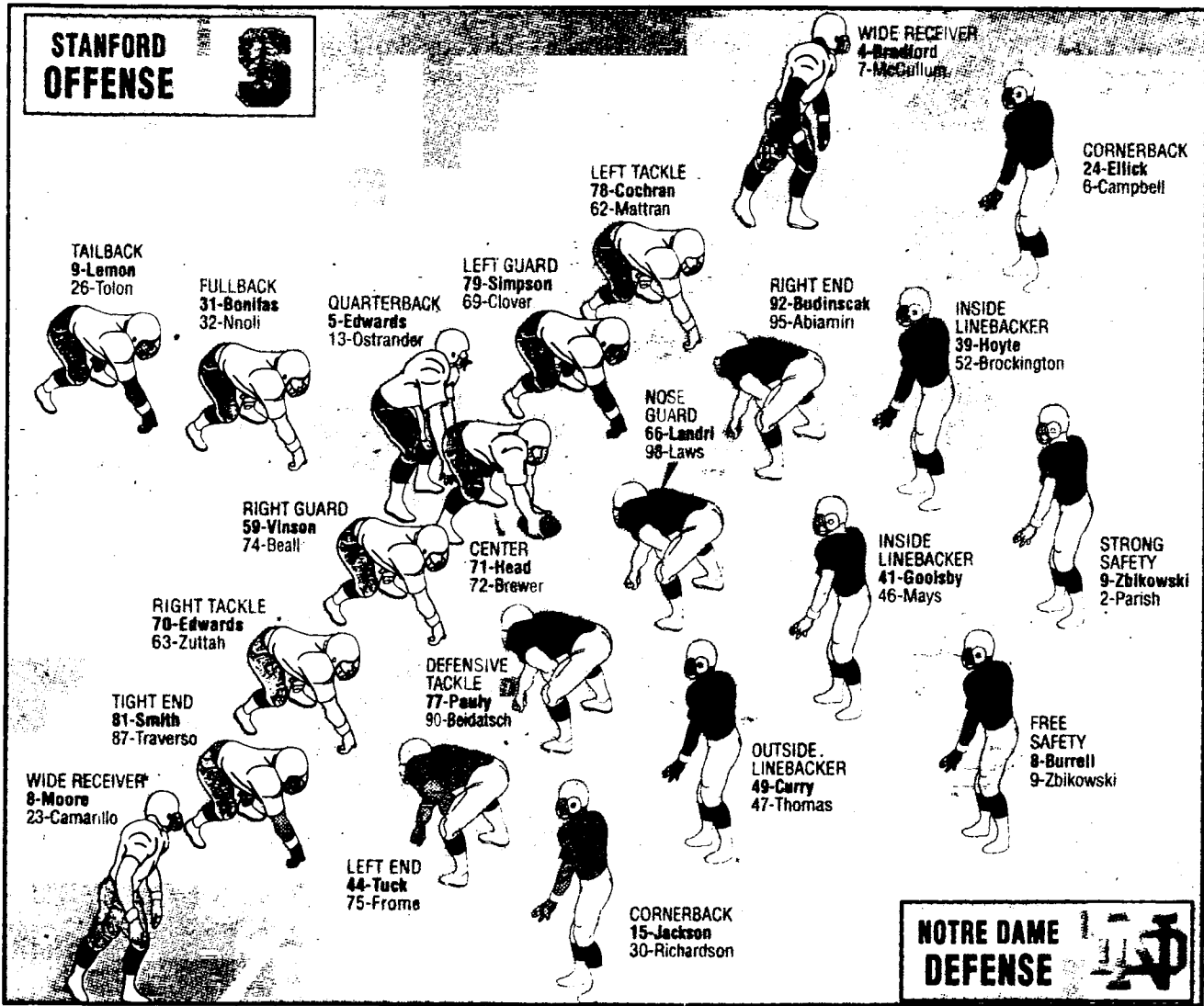
This game has trouble written all over it for Notre Dame. The Irish are coming off a disappointing loss, while the 3-1 Cardinal are playing with loads of confidence. Notre Dame must establish the run to have an effective offense and the special teams must step up. Stanford would like nothing more than paying Notre Dame back after last season's 57-7 blowout.

FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 24, Stanford 17

HEAD

Stanford Cardinal

Stanford Cardinal
Record: 3-1
AP: NR
Coaches: NR



STANFORD 2004 Schedule

Sept. 4	SAN JOSE ST. - W
Sept. 11	BYU - W
Sept. 25	USC - L
Oct. 2	WASHINGTON - W
Oct. 9	at Notre Dame
Oct. 16	at Washington St.
Oct. 23	OREGON
Oct. 30	at UCLA
Nov. 6	at Arizona State
Nov. 13	OREGON STATE
Nov. 20	at California

Buddy Teevens
third season at
Stanford
career record:
53-85-1
at Stanford:
9-17
against Notre
Dame: 0-2



Buddy Teevens
head coach

Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
2	Stanley Wilson	CB	6-0	189	SR
3	David Marrero	RB	5-10	190	SO
4	Mark Bradford	FL	6-2	190	SO
5	Trent Edwards	QB	6-4	210	SO
6	David Lofton	QB	6-4	210	SO
7	Justin McCullum	WR	6-4	220	JR
8	Evan Moore	WR	6-7	235	SO
9	J.R. Lemo	RB	6-1	225	JR
10	Wopamo Osaisai	DB	6-0	190	FR
11	Kyle Matter	QB	6-2	195	JR
12	Derrick Belch	PK	6-0	185	FR
13	T.C. Ostrander	QB	6-3	210	FR
14	Ryan Oklund	QB	6-8	215	SR
15	Michael Sgroi	LB	5-11	200	JR
17	Jared Newberry	LB	6-2	235	SR
18	Michael Miller	QB	6-1	185	FR
19	Garrett Moore	FL	6-3	195	FR
20	Matt Buchanan	WR	6-2	185	FR
21	Timi W. su	LB	6-3	210	JR
22	Oshion-gho Atogwe	FS	6-0	205	SR
23	Gerald Comissiong	RB	6-0	212	SO
24	Greg Camarillo	WR	6-2	195	SR
25	Trevor Hooper	SS	6-1	205	SO
26	Calvin Armstrong	SS	6-1	195	JR
27	Kenneth Tolson II	RB	6-1	210	SR
28	Jay Ottovogio	P	6-0	190	FR
29	Tim Sims	CB	6-0	180	FR
30	Leigh Torrance	CB	6-0	183	SR
31	Marcus McCutcheon	WR	6-0	200	SO
32	Kris Bonifas	FB	6-1	235	JR
33	Emeka Nnoli	FB	6-1	230	FR
34	Jason Evans	RB	6-1	190	FR
35	Ray Jones	RB	6-0	210	FR
36	T.J. Rushing	CB	5-11	175	JR
37	Kelton Lynn	WR	6-2	185	FR
38	Jon Alston	LB	6-1	215	JR
39	Carlos McFall	DB	6-0	195	FR
40	Peter Griffin	SS	6-0	195	FR
41	Thaddeus Chase	WR	6-0	173	FR
42	Nick Sanchez	CB	6-0	180	FR
43	Patrick Bowe	TE	6-6	235	FR
44	Aaron Smith	DB	6-1	180	FR
45	Bryan Bentrott	SS	6-1	180	SO
46	Jerod Arlich	FB	6-4	250	FR
47	Nate Wilcox-Fogel	WR	6-2	185	FR
48	Kevon Harrison	FS	6-2	205	SO
49	Kevin Schimmelmann	LB	6-3	215	JR
50	David Bergeron	LB	6-4	235	SR
51	Nick Silva	CB	5-10	180	JR
52	Brent Newhouse	LS	6-4	225	FR
53	Landon Johnson	LB	6-1	225	FR
54	Pat Maynor	LB	6-2	208	FR
55	Michael Okwo	LB	6-0	215	SO
56	Taulai Fonoti	DE	6-2	250	SO
57	David Jackson	NT	6-5	265	FR
58	Mike Silva	LB	6-3	225	SO
59	Josiah Vinson	OG	6-4	310	SO
60	Alex Fletcher	OL	6-4	290	FR
61	Alfred Johnson	OL/DL	6-4	255	FR
62	Tim Maitran	OT	6-5	295	SO
63	Merlin Brittenham	OG	6-4	280	FR
64	Gustav Rydstedt	DL	6-4	285	FR
65	Michael Macellari	OT	6-5	290	FR
66	Allen Smith	OL	6-5	315	FR
67	Bobby Dockter	OL	6-5	290	FR
68	Preston Clover	OG	6-4	275	FR
69	Jeff Edwards	OT	6-7	290	SO
70	Brian Head	C/OT	6-4	295	JR
71	Mikal Brewer	C	6-3	290	FR
72	Amir Malavery	OT	6-4	275	FR
73	David Beall	OG	6-5	300	SO
74	Matt McClerman	NT	6-5	285	SO
75	Ben Muth	OL	6-6	285	FR
76	David Long	OT	6-9	315	FR
77	Jon Cochran	OT	6-6	315	SO
78	Ismail Simpson	OG	6-4	290	SO
79	Anthony Kimble	WR	6-1	185	FR
80	Alex Smith	TE	6-5	255	SR
81	Patrick Danahy	TE	6-5	240	SO
82	Chris Ryan	FL	6-1	185	SO
83	Austin Gunder	TE	6-4	235	FR
84	Will Switek	DE	6-7	292	SR
85	Gerren Crochet	FL	6-0	170	JR
86	Matt Traverso	TE	6-5	250	SO
87	Panel Egbon	TE/DE	6-6	240	FR
88	Michael Horgan	TE	6-6	240	FR
89	Udem Udofia	LB	6-4	225	FR
90	Michael Lovelady	LB	6-5	250	JR
91	Casey Carroll	DT	6-2	280	JR
92	Nick Frank	NT	6-2	270	SO
93	Julian Jenkins	DT	6-4	260	JR
94	Chris Horn	DT	6-5	260	FR
95	Babatunde Oshinowo	NT	6-2	320	JR
96	Emmanuel Awofadeju	LB	6-4	240	FR
97	Scott Scharff	DT	6-5	285	SR
98	John Solder	TE/DE	6-8	220	FR

CARDINAL RUSHING

CARDINAL PASSING

SPECIAL TEAMS

INTANGIBLES

The Irish have shown that they can stop the run all season, allowing an average of 2.8 yards per carry and just two touchdowns rushing. Goolsby has been all over the field for the Irish so far this season, with 45 tackles in five games.

The Irish cornerbacks are hurting after allowing four touchdowns against Orton and Purdue. Notre Dame's pass defense is currently the 11th-worst in the nation, giving up 1315 yards total so far this season.

Fitzpatrick has continued to have a good season for the Irish, and even though he missed a field goal against Purdue, it was partially blocked. Notre Dame's kick coverage is horrible, with the Irish already allowing opponents to return two kickoffs for touchdowns.

Notre Dame hasn't lost at home to Stanford since 1992, and have yet to lose to a Teevens-coached Cardinal team. The Irish will be anxious to avenge their embarrassing loss at home to Purdue.

Lemon averages 6.9 yards per carry, and had a key 82-yard run against USC that gave Stanford a temporary lead. The Cardinal as a team average 4.0 yards per carry and, like the Irish, use a multiple-back offense, with Tolon complementing the starter Lemon.

Edwards has a capable passing attack, and mammoth wideout Evans could cause problems for the Irish secondary. Stanford will be looking to exploit an Irish defensive backs unit that might still be embarrassed from being picked apart by Purdue.

Sgroi is 3-for-6 for field goals, and Ottovogio is averaging just a little less than 40 yards per kick. Where Stanford excels is in the kick return game, where the Cardinal averages 34.0 yards per kick-off return, the third-best average in the nation.

Teevens hasn't done much his first two years at Stanford, and a win against Notre Dame could really help his resume. There are still several players on this Cardinal team who played under Willingham, and they would love to beat their old coach.

Notre Dame has shown it can shut down the opponent's rushing offense all season, and there's no reason they shouldn't do the same against Stanford. Lemon and Tolon are both good backs, but the Irish defense is better.

Edwards is a good quarterback, but he's nowhere near Orton's ability. Against Purdue, several passes were just accurate throws against good Irish coverage. Notre Dame's secondary will be looking to redeem themselves against the Cardinal.

The Irish have been unimpressive on special teams so far, and Stanford has the ability to exploit Notre Dame's poor kick coverage. Purdue's kickoff return for a touchdown was a big turning point, and Notre Dame cannot afford the same against Stanford.

The Cardinal would love to break their own streak of futility at Notre Dame Stadium, but the Irish will be ready to prove something after being whacked at home by Purdue. Willingham has pressure as he's now expected to win out until Tennessee this year.

NOTRE DAME

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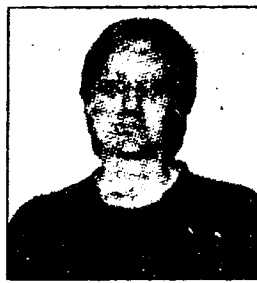
Heather Van Hoegarden
Sports Editor

Stanford is a good football team, nothing like it was a year ago. They will come in motivated after last year's drubbing. Quinn will have another solid game, and the Irish will run the ball just enough to win. Special teams will be way the Cardinal stays close, but the Irish will be too much this time.
FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 23, Stanford 13



Pat Leonard
Associate Sports Editor

Stanford loves to throw, just like Purdue. Notre Dame struggles against passing teams. The Cardinal will not be able to run, so they will score a few times in the air. But a recharged running game and Quinn's arm will put enough points on the board to win.
FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 31, Stanford 24





Justin Schuver
Associate Sports Editor



The Irish manhandled Stanford last season, but this year's Cardinal is much improved and Notre Dame will have to bring its best game. The fact that Stanford played USC close shows its potential, but Notre Dame has too much talent on both sides of the ball to lose this one.
FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 27, Stanford 20

Sizing up the Irish and the Cardinal

AVERAGE PER GAME	NOTRE DAME'S OFFENSE VS STANFORD'S DEFENSE	STANFORD'S OFFENSE VS NOTRE DAME'S DEFENSE
total yards gained	385	404.2
total yards allowed	320.5	353.8
rushing yards gained	108.2	137.5
rushing yards allowed	85.5	90.8
passing yards gained	276.8	266.8
passing yards allowed	235	263
kick return yards gained	47.8	93.5
kick return yards allowed	64.5	108
punt return yards gained	36.8	33
punt return yards allowed	14.3	16.4
yards per punt	40.6	137.5
punts blocked	4	90.8
turnovers lost	10	7
turnovers recovered	9	16
total points scored	26	33.8
total points allowed	14.2	21.6
Notre Dame yards penalized	53.4	
Stanford yards penalized	47.5	

KEY MATCHUP


NOTRE DAME
PASSING

STANFORD
PASSING DEFENSE

Brady Quinn (above) and the Irish passing game will have to continue their recent prolific play against Stanford, especially if the Cardinal manage to stop the Irish run game. Quinn threw for 432 yards against Purdue, but only one touchdown. Against Purdue's soft zone, tight end Anthony Fasano proved a key target in the Notre Dame passing attack, and he'll look to continue that success Saturday. Against Purdue, Notre Dame could only score one touchdown through the air. They will need to score more often against the Cardinal.

Oshiomogho Atogwe (above) and the Stanford defensive backs have kept teams out of the end zone so far this season, allowing just two passing touchdowns so far this season. The Cardinal allow 235 yards per game, but have six interceptions so far through two games. Atogwe is a solid player at free safety, having collected an interception and forced two fumbles so far this year. Considering that Stanford's defensive strength is against the run, Notre Dame will need to have a productive day against the Cardinal secondary.

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Inside defensive line crucial in Irish pass rush

By PAT LEONARD
Associate Sports Editor

The Irish linebackers plugged the holes in Notre Dame's first five games. The cornerbacks stymied the outside sweeps. Opponents amassed nonexistent rushing attacks, gaining just 90.8 yards per game.

And the Irish run defense that held BYU to 22 rushing yards began in the same place it did when the Irish held Purdue to 99 yards rushing —

on the defensive line.

"I think we're playing pretty tough against the run," fifth-year senior defensive tackle Greg Pauly said. "Hopefully, by the end of the season we'll establish a name for ourselves that way."

Pauly [6-foot-6, 205 pounds] is one of three players who see significant playing time on the interior defensive line, along with nose tackles Derek Landri and Trevor Laws. Though the rush coming from the outside is often the spotlight of defensive lines because of sweeping

athletic play from players like Justin Tuck, the interior linemen give the initial push that dictates the rush on the quarterback or running back.

"The play of all of those guys ... is based on the productivity of the group," Willingham said. "What we try to do is rotate those guys in such a manner that you've created one with the many and to keep them fresh, keep them active and keep our defense being productive."

The line's production hinges on stopping the run first, mak-

ing the entire defense hinge on stopping the run, as well. Stanford averages 137.5 yards rushing and 266.8 yards passing, so the Cardinal will look to throw the ball.

But Pauly and his linemates' priorities cannot change.

"We go into every game saying we have to stop the run, that's always the first thing," defensive line coach Greg Mattison said. "And even though [Stanford is] a team that passes a lot, you've got to stop the run. From there, any sack opportunity we have is on a passing down when we're one-on-one blocked, and we have to win those."

The line has recorded 10 sacks on the season to opponents' 12. Stanford has surrendered 11 sacks in four games, but Tuck told reporters and coaches that he felt a lot of Stanford's success should be attributed to an improved offensive line.

Willingham agreed with his defensive end.

"They are a sizable line. I think their smallest guy is about 290 [pounds]," Willingham said. "And they seem to have good athletic skill. They seem to be working well together ... So it's kind of an impressive group that has size and good athletic potential that seems to be playing very well together."

The Notre Dame defensive front halted Purdue's rush offense last week, but the Irish only sacked quarterback Kyle Orton twice. The pass rush had been solid for the most part until the game against the Boilermakers. Pauly said the quick Purdue offense left no time for the line to rush Orton.

"The quarterback has to hold on to the ball long enough for us to get there," Pauly said. "In Purdue's situation, they were releasing the ball so quick, a lot of times he was throwing it right when we were hitting him. We hit him a couple times, but he was releasing the ball too fast. If the cornerbacks are staying on those receivers, it can give us enough time."

Pauly leads the interior linemen with 16 tackles [seven solo] and a half-sack. Laws [6-foot, 285 pounds] has 12 tackles [seven solo] and a sack. Landri [6-foot-2, 278 pounds] has 11 tackles and five solo.

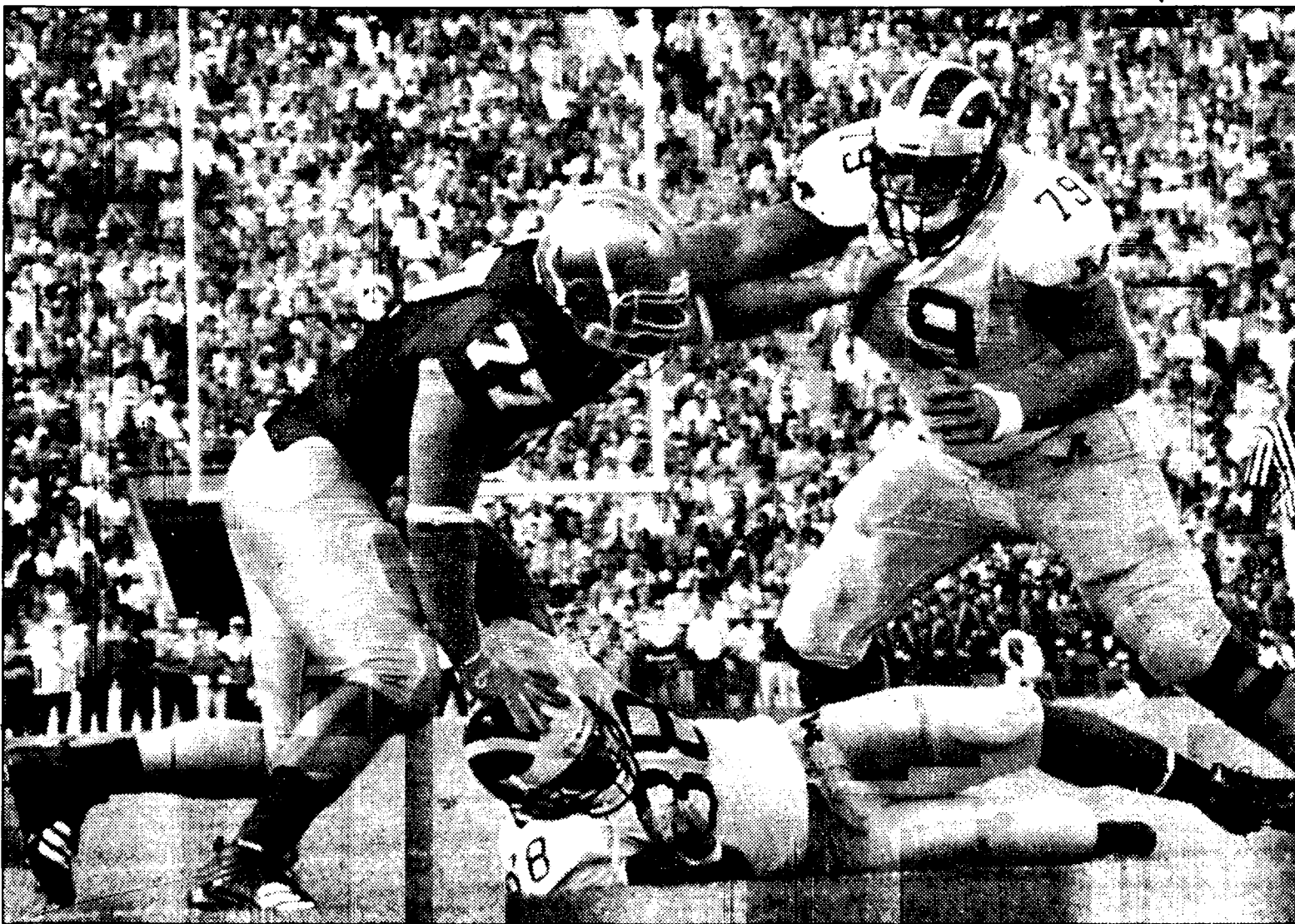
"It's tough, it's two-on-three usually because you've got the center and two guards blocking me and Derek [Landri] or me and Trevor [Laws]," Pauly said. "And it's tough because usually you're getting double teamed or someone's slamming back down on you, but I think we're getting a good push."

But tackles are not the only statistic that measures the line's success.

"You're never pleased because you always want them to get 100 sacks, but the one statistic that I don't think a lot of people noticed is we've probably batted down more passes this year than we ever have already," Mattison said, "and I always talk to our kids about the fact if you can deflect the pass it's as good as a sack."

By deflection, sack or tackle, the line could be the key against another throwing Pac-10 team in Stanford on Saturday.

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CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Irish defensive tackle Greg Pauly tries to get past Michigan offensive lineman Adam Stenavich, right, during Notre Dame's game against the Wolverines Sept. 11.

Stanford anxious to avenge last year's loss

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

For the second time this year, the Irish are facing a Pac-10 team making its first road appearance.

After four straight weeks on The Farm, Stanford comes to South Bend sitting at 3-1 with its only loss coming to No. 1 USC when the Trojans used a second half rally to pull out the 31-28 victory.

"We're looking forward to it. It will be good to play in a place as storied as Notre Dame and the guys have a sense of the history when it comes to playing there," Cardinal coach Buddy Teevens said. "There's a level of excitement around here. We've enjoyed playing at home for this stretch, but there's a lot of excitement surrounding the trip."

Seeing the Cardinal on the schedule invokes memories of last year's dominating 57-7 Irish win in Palo Alto, Calif. The Irish came into that game having won their last two games while the Cardinal were closing out their season having lost their last two.

One could say Stanford just packed it in early on that Saturday night since it was its last game of the season, was 4-6 coming into the game and the previous week had lost the "Big Game" to California.

Whatever the case was, Teevens said his team isn't focusing on that Thanksgiving week-

end embarrassment where the Cardinal suffered their worst home defeat ever.

"Our team is full of forward-thinking people, and players that work towards their goals and ambitions. I think this is the same situation," Teevens said. "Notre Dame is a very good football team and is very well coached. They do a great job offensively and defensively, and are solid on special teams. Our guys respect that and are aware that we need to play a good football game to beat them."

The Irish haven't even looked at game film from last year's contest.

"They look like a team that's really gelling. This is going to be a totally different team," Irish defensive end Justin Tuck said. "It's a total difference from what they look on film."

One player who has shown marked improvement this year is second-year starting quarterback Trent Edwards. Recruited by current coach Tyrone Willingham, Edwards came to Stanford as one of the top recruits in the country. USA Today ranked Edwards as the top passing quarterback in the nation in 2001.

After being red-shirted during the 2002 season, Edwards started four games in 2003, playing in eight. This season, Edwards has started all four games, completing 61.1 percent of his passes for 921 yards, seven touchdowns and four interceptions.

"When we recruited Trent, we thought he was one of the most

accurate high school quarterbacks that we'd seen and it looks like he's getting back to that level," Willingham said. "I think he as a freshman had some very difficult times and was thrown into the fire and it's very difficult when you're in that situation."

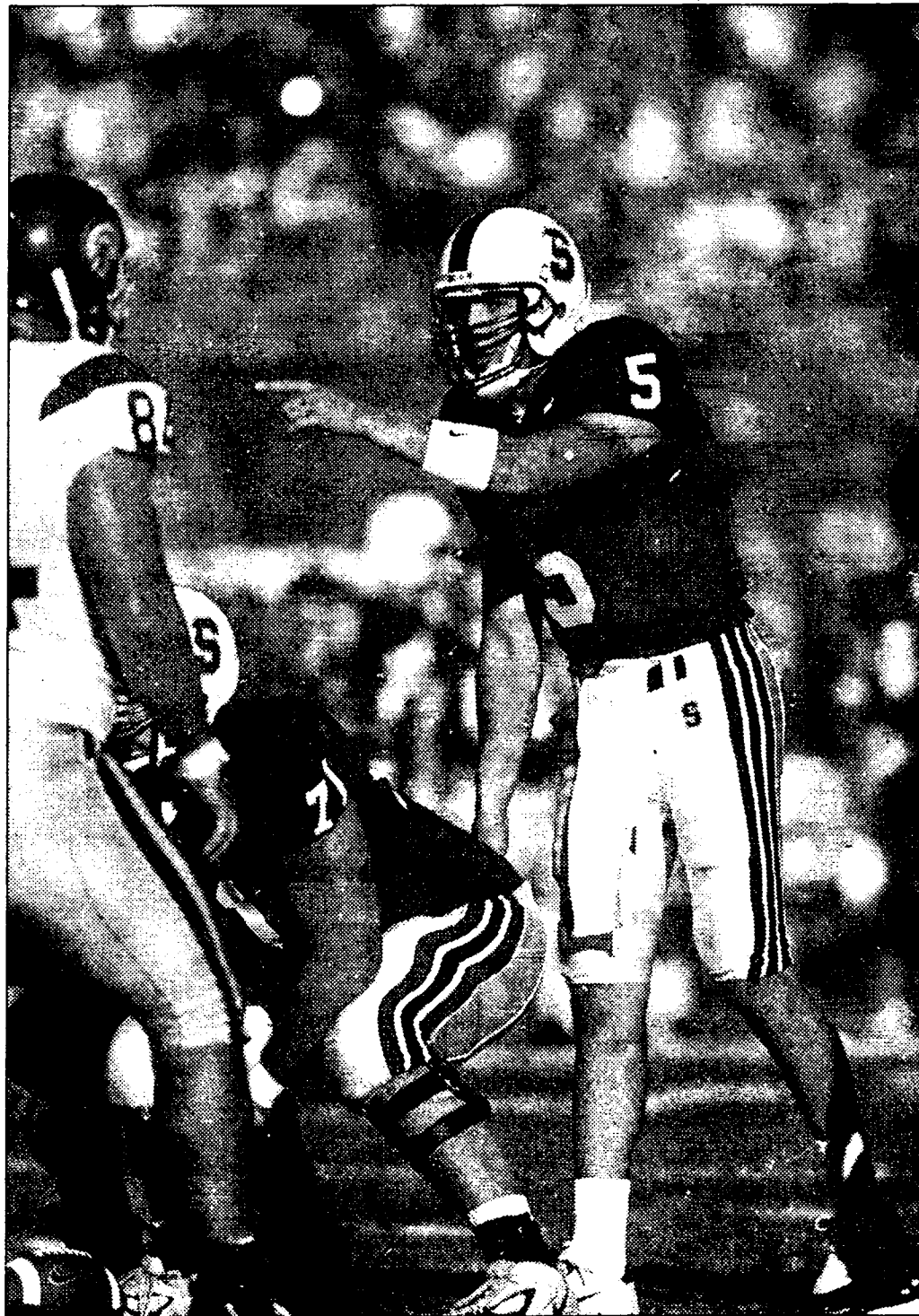
"But now he's emerging and becoming a quarterback that we thought he could be. His delivery is very quick. He gets the ball to a lot of good and right positions for their receivers and he is impressive."

The Cardinal have the disadvantage of playing on the West Coast and not too many people realize they have done much more than almost upset the Trojans. Teevens appears to have this program going in the right direction in his third year at the helm at Stanford.

That's why Teevens knows Saturday's game against the Irish is so important for his team. A win here would garner national prominence, regardless of Notre Dame's 3-2 record.

"It's certainly an important game. Going out in front of a nation-wide audience and playing in a special place that is historic like Notre Dame is big," Teevens said. "We want to play solid football and improve on areas that we were a little bit short on last Saturday. We want to put together a good game plan and execute this weekend."

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Stanford quarterback Trent Edwards points out USC's defensive coverage during the Cardinal's game against the Trojans.



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