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Local leaders welcome Jenkins



CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer
University President Father John Jenkins mingles with community members at the HealthWorks Kids' Museum Wednesday.

By MADDIE HANNA
Associate News Editor

University President Father John Jenkins will be given an elaborate inauguration steeped in Notre Dame tradition in exactly two weeks.

So upon first glance, the informal Wednesday reception for him and 70 prominent community members at South Bend's HealthWorks Kids' Museum – featuring giant plastic intestines, dangling skeletons and a transparent box filled with cigarette butts – might have seemed strange.

"Someone described this as a neighborhood block party," Jenkins said. "It's just a chance

for us to meet people in the community in a relaxed setting."

Reception attendees munched and mingled informally with Jenkins and staff members in the name of community relations. And when Jenkins made a brief speech, one woman remarked that he stood next to a sign reading "SCABS."

Despite the laid-back atmosphere, there was a clear theme – maintaining and building upon the existing relationship between Notre Dame and its surroundings.

"What I've seen in the last several years is Notre Dame become a larger part of the community," Mishawaka mayor

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ND airs ad during Pitt game

By KAITLYNN RIELY
News Writer

Numerous times during the Pittsburgh-Notre Dame football game Saturday, students gathered on North Quad erupted into cheers as Notre Dame opened the season with a win. One of those cheers, however, was neither for the strategy of Charlie Weis or the talent of the Notre Dame players.

Students also cheered in reaction to a new television advertisement promoting a Notre Dame education.

In the commercial, a girl is seen entering a church multiple times to light a candle. By the end of the commercial, it appears that her prayers have been answered, and she opens her mailbox to find the much sought after "big envelope" from the admissions office at Notre Dame. Dropping the rest of her mail, she looks to the heavens as the university's name and the words "A Higher Education" appear.

Many students reported that the spot brought back memories of their own quest for admittance to Notre Dame and the rush of emotions that came with receiving their acceptance letter after a long wait. Freshman Killen Lewis, who watched the game on the North Quad, said "I felt chills," after seeing the ad.

Notre Dame's Office of News and Information was involved in creating Notre Dame's ad, or what they call an "institutional spot." Matt Storin, the associate vice president for News and

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CJ's Pub set to reopen

By MARY KATE MALONE
News Writer

CJ's Pub, a 21-year-old restaurant and bar that boasts a thick collection of Irish memorabilia, will reopen to the public next week after a seven month hiatus.

The famous Irish landmark on Michigan Street has been closed since Jan. 19, 2004 when a six-story building next door fell on top of it during a demolition process gone terribly wrong.

"It happened at 3:15 in the afternoon," said Ricky Joe Medick, who co-owns the establishment with his sisters Judy and Cindy. "There were four of us inside. I had just walked in the back door and the whole back of the building just collapsed. If I had been five seconds late walking in, my sister would be telling the story."

On Sept. 13, the pub will reopen its doors in time for Notre Dame's first home football game. The food will be the same, but a giant horseshoe bar and 92-inch television will give the place a new look, Medick said. Three plasma TV's will also be added.

Medick said customers will find the restaurant "opened up." Instead of two separate rooms there is now one large one with the horseshoe bar in the middle.

A quarter of a million dollars worth of damage forced the pub to close in order to repair the areas that were

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Local coffee shop honors Weis

By PETER DEVINE
News Writer

After the Irish victory last weekend, head football coach Charlie Weis is more popular than ever.

Nowhere is this more evident than at the Chocolate Café, where they are now serving a new mocha in honor of the Irish's new coach, named the "Winning Weis Mocha."

A popular hangout and eatery for students, South Bend citizens and visiting fans, the Chocolate Café invented this concoction "just about a month ago," said café manager, Jessie Vance, to create Notre Dame football atmosphere in South Bend.

"During football season, we'll have different promotions, especially if Notre

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KELLY HIGGINS/The Observer
Chocolate Café advertises its newest beverage, The Winning Weis Mocha. The drink was invented during the preseason.

Meal plan includes more flex points

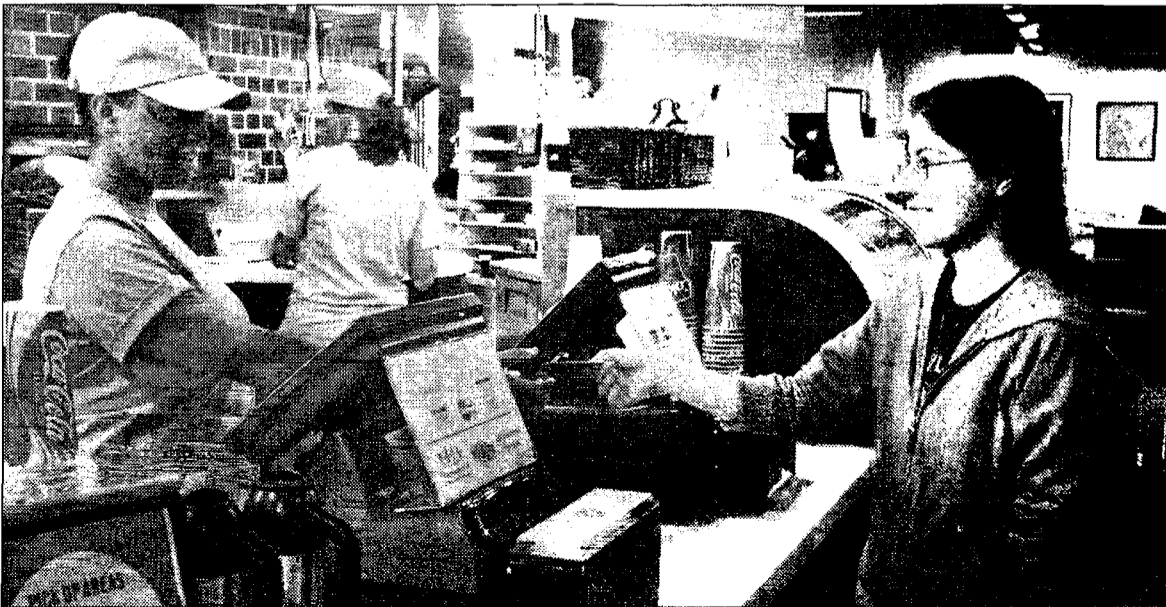
By KATHY LEE
News Writer

Students with the "Flex 14" meal plan were in for a pleasant surprise this fall when they checked their balance at Notre Dame Food Services thanks to the allotment of 280 flex points rather than the 260 given in years past.

Flex Points, dollars set aside in students' accounts to be spent only at food venues on campus, are often preferred by students who would rather eat at other food establishments than North or South Dining Halls for meals.

"Flex points are a lot more convenient than using cash,

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KIRSTEN HOELMER/The Observer
Freshman Joanna Emilian, right, pays with flex points at Reckers. Students with the Flex 14 meal plan receive an additional 20 flex points each semester for the 2005-06 school year.

INSIDE COLUMN

Happily disoriented

No, I don't know your name. No, I don't know where I am. No, I don't know what time it is. No, I don't even speak English all that well. Yes, I'm a freshman.

No one needs to help me in becoming "disoriented." I'm already disoriented. I'm the master of being disoriented. In fact, I'm just striking random keys on my computer right now.

Joe Piarulli

wire editor

You know, on a long enough timeline, any chimpanzee with a laptop could type this article. I know, because I'm plagiarizing off that chimpanzee at this very moment.

Listen: when you're a freshman, you're supposed to be ignorant and at least marginally useless.

So embrace it. As the wise Billy Madison once said, "You gotta cherish it." When the juniors down the hall want me to be more ignorant and even less useful, I graciously accept.

Why? Well, ignorance is bliss — I'm having an awesome time and I barely know what's going on, considering that this place and these people are all entirely new to me. The best thing about being a freshman from New Jersey is that I'm doing pretty much whatever I want.

No one has a clue who I am. I can yell at people, because no one will recognize me; I can ask ridiculous questions, because people will just assume I don't know better; and I can write absurd columns for The Observer, because no one here has made the connection between my name and what I look like.

It really has been a whirlwind meeting so many new people and learning where everything on campus is located. I'm trying to enjoy it now before I eventually realize that these are the people and places I'll be seeing every day for four years, and I'm eventually going to have to learn real names and stop calling everyone 'dude' — especially the priests.

People aren't in college because they know exactly what to do with their lives. They're in college because they're trying to figure that out.

Sometime between throwing water balloons, yelling at the television during the football game, playing 'apple fork' in the dining hall and trying to dodge the sprinklers, I realized that I was having fun with people even if I forgot their names six seconds after they told me. Sometimes you know the most about someone when you don't know anything about them.

This blank slate situation only comes along once in a great while, so it's not sensible to act timid. I go out of my way to talk to lots of people, and I hope people here aren't afraid to come talk to me. Just because I'm in the 'dog book' doesn't mean I bite.

That joke was exceptionally lame, but I'm serious — people keep telling the freshman class that we'll settle in, that we'll fit in and that we'll find a place somewhere.

Don't listen to any of that junk. It isn't fun to settle in or fit in, because if you don't limit yourself to certain places and people, then everyone can be your friend, and everywhere can be your home.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT DID YOU DO DURING FOOTBALL COMMERCIAL BREAKS?



Tim Cummings

*freshman
Keenan*

"Refuel for the excitement."



Andrew Hoyt

*'05 alum
off-campus*

"Fondue."



Beth Giudicessi

*junior
Cavanaugh*

"Fondon't."



Robert Scully

*freshman
Alumni*

"I went around and wrote victory vandalism on everyone's message board."



John Park

*senior
Zahm*

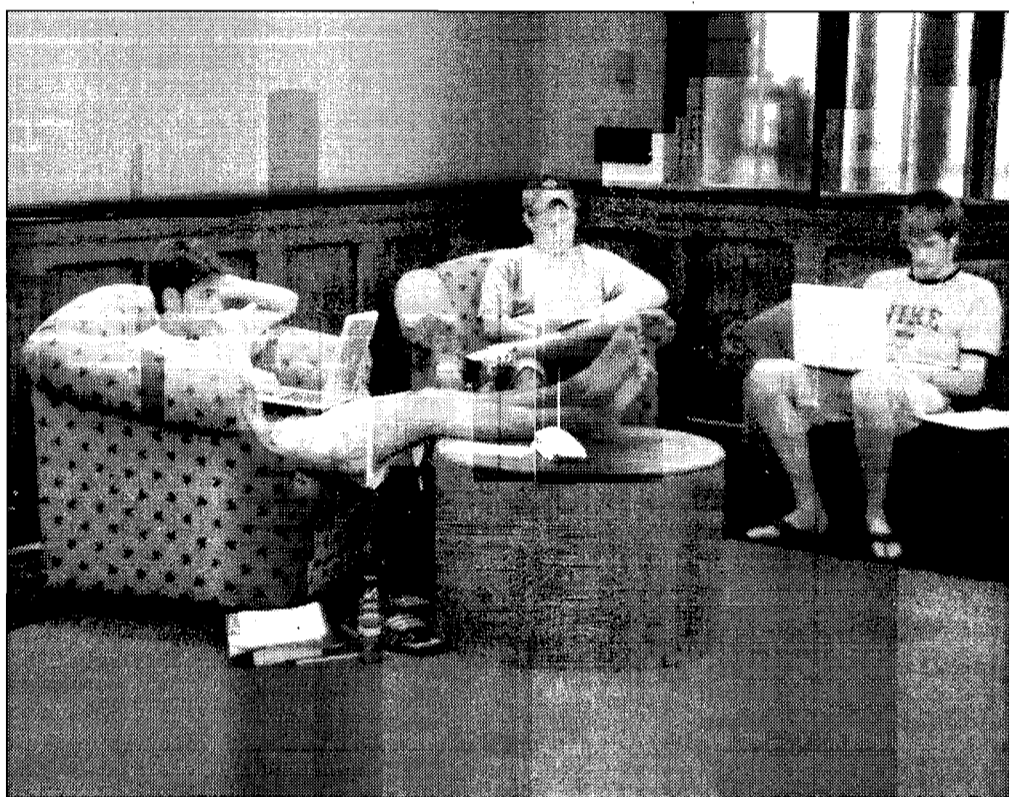
"Fire it in pal!"



Tom Stiles

*sophomore
Carroll*

"I made fun of all the stupid commercials."



FRANCESCA SETA/The Observer

Students engross themselves in their reading assignments and coursework Wednesday in the Coleman-Morse Center.

OFFBEAT

Police officials find bus loaded with animals

MEXICO CITY — The bus from Catemaco turned out to be a wild ride indeed: turtles and lizards, snakes and tarantulas, parrots and even an eagle rode along with the apparently unwitting passengers.

Mexico's federal attorney general's office said Wednesday that federal police had seized more than 130 wild animals they discovered in the luggage compartment of a bus headed to Mexico City from Catemaco, a region of eastern famed for its diverse wildlife as well as for tradi-

tional Indian medicine men.

The wildlife was discovered when officers heard odd sounds coming from the luggage compartment of an ADO bus at a checkpoint in Chalco on the eastern outskirts of Mexico City.

Delivery man steals prized Notre Dame tickets

ELKHART, Ind. — A man whose prized University of Notre Dame season football tickets failed to arrive found out from police where they ended up — at the delivery man's house.

The Elkhart man called the delivery service Aug. 16 after his tickets failed to

arrive and was told that they had been dropped off at the wrong address.

But this week, police told the man that his tickets were definitely at the wrong address — they were at the home of Ronnie J. Allard, 38, the delivery man.

Elkhart County Patrolman Jason Ray said Allard, who faces a felony charge of possession of stolen property, said he asked his girlfriend to steal the tickets after he delivered them to the man's front porch.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Students who participated in Mexico TIES, a volunteer program with Universidad de Guadalajara students, will give presentations today in the Hesburgh Center in C-103 at 3 p.m.

James Darsey, a professor of communication at Georgia State University, will give a lecture titled "Cosmopolitansim and the Location of Moral Argument in a Post-Prophetic World" today at 4 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium.

The film "Metropolis," about a de-humanized proletariat laboring in a busy city, will be shown as part of the Physics and Film Series today at 7 p.m. in the Browning Cinema Theatre in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

New Yorker columnist Ken Auletta will give a lecture titled "Who do journalists work for?" today at 7:30 p.m. in C-100 of the Hesburgh Center. The talk is sponsored by the Gallvin Program in Journalism, Ethics and Democracy.

HAND, Notre Dame's improv comedy group, will put on a show today at 10 p.m. at Legends. Admission is free.

Patrick Allit of Emory University will give a lecture titled "Catholics and the Intellectual Life in Late 20th Century America" Friday at 4 p.m. in the Eck Visitors Center. It is sponsored by the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism.

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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STUDENT SENATE

Ticket distribution addressed

By MADDIE HANNA
Associate News Editor

Determined to avoid a repeat of last spring's long, heated and ultimately inconclusive basketball ticketing debate, Student Senate quickly decided to send a letter to director of ticket operations Josh Berlo at Wednesday's meeting.

The letter, an updated version of one proposed last year, focuses on increasing both student attendance and student ticket options.

"One of our top priorities is to improve the student ticket exchange," the letter read. "Although it was not very successful last year, we believe the ticket exchange has great promise, and with some modification, it could become one of the key factors in boosting student attendance at home games."

Another key issue proposed in the letter is "Midnight Madness," an event open to the general public designed to pump up fans right before the season begins.

"Most schools do this," University Affairs committee chair Matt Walsh said. "And [Berlo] actually seems pretty excited about that."

Walsh said his committee would like to survey the student body to find out how many games the average student ticket-holder actually attends,

"so we can be better informed."

Senators approved a second letter regarding "Majors Night," an idea proposed by the Academic Affairs committee.

"The committee hopes to create an event that will be similar to 'Activities Night,' where students will have the ability to come and learn about all programs that interest them," the letter said.

The proposal includes inviting local high schools in order to "not only provide a service to the local community, but [also] demonstrate the importance of a post high school education in today's world."

Academic Affairs committee chair Chris Harris said details would probably change closer to the event's projected date next spring.

Senators also confirmed the topic for this fall's presentation to the Board of Trustees — community relations.

Student body president Dave Baron said his experience this summer talking to South Bend residents about problematic student parties off campus drove home a point.

"Whether or not people believe in the ordinance, it really brought issues [to light] about how we're regarded in South Bend," Baron said. "We're respected around the world, but at our doorstep, if you say you're from Notre Dame it's not necessarily a

good thing."

Student government makes a presentation on a topic of its choice to the Board of Trustees three times a year.

Senior Class Council officers took the podium at the beginning of the meeting to promote the Walk for the Cure, a Sept. 18 benefit walk for people with diabetes.

Senior Class secretary Ben Zerante, who has Type-1 diabetes, asked senators to spread the message to their dorms.

"Every year Notre Dame students participate, but it's kind of disorganized," Zerante said. "This year we would like one unified group walking."

Students can register online for the walk at www.jdrf.org.

In other Senate news

♦ Head of student activities Brian Coughlin urged senators to volunteer to collect donations for Hurricane Katrina victims at the home Michigan State football game Sept. 17, noting the success and importance of the post-9/11 collection that raised close to \$280,000.

"It was really the public face of the University," Coughlin said. "It was all over broadcast TV. It reflected well on the University, and it was the right thing to do. And it's not something that's just going to happen."

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GRADUATE STUDENT UNION

Health care, parking discussed by members

By MAGGIE HYDE
News Writer

Bagpipe music came drifting through the window in the middle of the Graduate Student Union's first meeting of the academic year Wednesday. The unexpected surprise did not seem to rattle president Misty Schieberle or any other representatives who were intent upon the agenda and issues of the 2005-2006 year.

Schieberle welcomed all attending the meeting and thanked them for participating in such a "worthwhile endeavor."

Union members unanimously approved the 2005-2006 budget and then outlined plans to tackle various issues this year. Graduate student health care/medical leave policy, improved parking for graduate students and support of the Higher Education Affordability and Equity Act topped the list of agenda issues.

Schieberle distributed a report to meeting attendees which addressed health care, parking, social activities, graduate student orientation and travel grants.

"Better health care remains a core goal of the Graduate Student Union," Schieberle said in the President's Report. "We are continually in contact with Anne Kleva, Director of University Health Services to lobby for better

insurance coverage and better family medical care. We are also revising and hoping to receive official approval for a medical leave policy."

This initiative will also include a survey of married graduate students to determine the insurance coverage of graduate students with spouses and families.

"I hope to regularly meet with Anne Kleva to discuss relevant issues, and what seems to me to be disturbing patterns of growing costs and reduced benefits," Michael DeGruccio said in a report of the Health Care Committee.

The Union also plans to send members to the Legislation Action Day of NAGPS on

Sept. 21. Heather Eisler of the Publicity and Procedures committee plans to attend and represent the Notre Dame Graduate Student Union in lobbying for the Higher Education Affordability and Equity Act (HEAEA).

"I have been monitoring plans by The National Association for Graduate and Professional Students to lobby for a bill that would make stipends used for living expenses tax-exempt, among other positive education-related reforms," Schieberle said in the President's Report.

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11:00-11:20: Patrick Noble
& Juan Pablo Garcia
11:20-11:30: Dave Ladao
11:30-11:40: Tim Schwartz
11:40-12:00: Robbie Hazen



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Jeff Rea said. "Both [University President Emeritus] Father [Edward] Malloy and now Father Jenkins have done great things to reach out to us. And there are tremendous economic benefits."

Ted Foti, senior vice president at Memorial Health System and co-chair of the community relations advisory group that organized the event, described the relationship as "one of a kind."

"We are two sides of the same coin," Foti said. "We will continue to help each other."

While Jenkins did not go into any specific goals, he emphasized the need to further strengthen community relations.

"What we have to do first is develop a good, sound relationship with the community," Jenkins said. "Like with any neighbor, we have to work to make this a wonderful community. That's the overarching goal."

South Bend mayor Stephen Luecke said he was "just delighted that Notre Dame is a real partner member of the neighborhood."

He mentioned discussions with the University regarding MetroNet, a fiber optic network running through the community to broadband capacity, and a proposal for a new research park on Edison, "something which could provide opportunities for graduate

students."

Jenkins also referred to the research park in his speech, calling it "a dimension of what we might do to connect with the local community."

Robinson Community Learning Center director Jay Caponigro said he appreciated the interaction with Jenkins.

"Father Jenkins has been really supportive of what we're doing, so it's great for people to know that," Caponigro said. "He came down [to Robinson], met with our staff and reaffirmed the important role Robinson plays for the University."

Many community members met Jenkins for the first time at the reception, which Foti said meant the event was "overdue."

"After Father Jenkins was appointed by the Board, we didn't know him and we couldn't find anybody who had familiarity with him," Foti said. "We've had a great relationship with the University in past years, and we want to make sure that continues."

Those who had their first conversation with Jenkins Wednesday, like Rea, came away with positive impressions.

"One thing I gathered from talking to him was how much he enjoys his job," Rea said. "You spend your life searching for something you love to do, so that's great."

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senior vice president,
Memorial Health
System

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Father Jenkins
University President

Coffee

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Dame gets a new coach, and bring it back out when the season begins," commented Jenny Landry, assistant manager of the café.

According to the café, a hint of Irish cream, rich chocolate and flavorful coffee are the ingredients to making the perfect mocha and the perfect coach.

The invention was created by Christina Pier, who is in charge of marketing, advertising and other promotions for the South Bend Chocolate Café. In addition, Vance reports that the mocha goes well with a "piece of chocolate or Danish" from the café.

"I think it's a cool idea to sell this mocha because it supports the team and Coach Weis," said sophomore Christina Marzo. "I hope that 'Winning Weis' actually holds true for the rest of the season."

Sophomore Meghan Kelly said she appreciated the new concoction.

"I think it's nice that they're integrating Weis into the Chocolate Café," Kelly said. "It's nice that he's been accepted as a part of the South Bend community."

Similar responses came from students who tasted the "Winning Weis Mocha" at the Chocolate Café.

Freshman, Michael Huang, who tried the mocha, described it enthusiastically.

"The mocha isn't too sweet and just right," Huang said.

Vance reports that the mocha "does well" at the downtown café and hopes to see more wins for Weis in the near future.

The Chocolate Café is located in downtown South Bend on 122 South Michigan next to the College Football Hall of Fame.

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KIRSTEN HOELMER/The Observer

Junior Dan Ward, right, hands his Notre Dame I.D. to Huddle employee junior Matthew Pavlov to pay using flex points. The Flex 14 meal plan allows students 280 flex points each semester.

Flex

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and offer variety from the dining hall," sophomore Amanda Deckelman said.

The "Flex 14" plan provides students with 14 meals a week and an allowance of flex points. As the default meal plan for all residential students approximately 96 percent of students on campus choose the "Flex 14" plan over the 21-meal plan, according to Dave Prentowski Director of Food Services.

The extra 20 points were added to the meal plan because students complained that all of the allotted 260 points were consumed before the end of the semester, Prentowski said.

In order to answer student complaints, the Notre Dame Student Senate discussed last spring the possibility of creating a new "Flex-10" plan that would give students only 10 meals a week, but grant students a greater amount of flex points.

The Senate was unable to pass the movement for several reasons including objections from the dining halls that said the increased flex points would be too expensive and some

services of the dining hall might have to be cut to cover the extra cost.

"A 10 meal plan was not adopted for a number of reasons... [For one], The Office of Student Affairs interest in encouraging community dining hall based meals as much as possible," Prentowski said.

"I didn't even know about it but it was a pleasant surprise. I feel like my schedule is busier and I end up using more points than in previous years," said junior Ashley Kelly.

While it is true that the students have more nominal flex points, the value of those points decreased slightly, Prentowski said.

"It should be noted that Notre Dame increases the Flex portion of the meal plan each year to assure that the students do not lose purchasing power due to inflationary price increases," he said. "In fact, the increase, most years, is higher than general retail inflation and is related to the percentage of the increase of the cost of room and board."

He could not say if the purchasing power of student's Flex points this year is greater than or less than last.

While the dining halls were wary of the proposed new increased flex point meal plan, other Food Service establish-

ments such as Reckers, and the Huddle were much more accepting.

Prentowski conceded that more flex points might produce more revenue but said it could hurt service.


"While the campus retail operations may generate more revenue from added flex dollars in the system the additional traffic may, at times, over tax the operation to the point of insufficient and slow service," Prentowski said, citing the long lines as Subway as an example.

Along with the arrival of more flex points, there are now more venues on campus accepting the points as a form of payment. Starting this fall, the Bookstore Coffee Shop began accepting flex points.

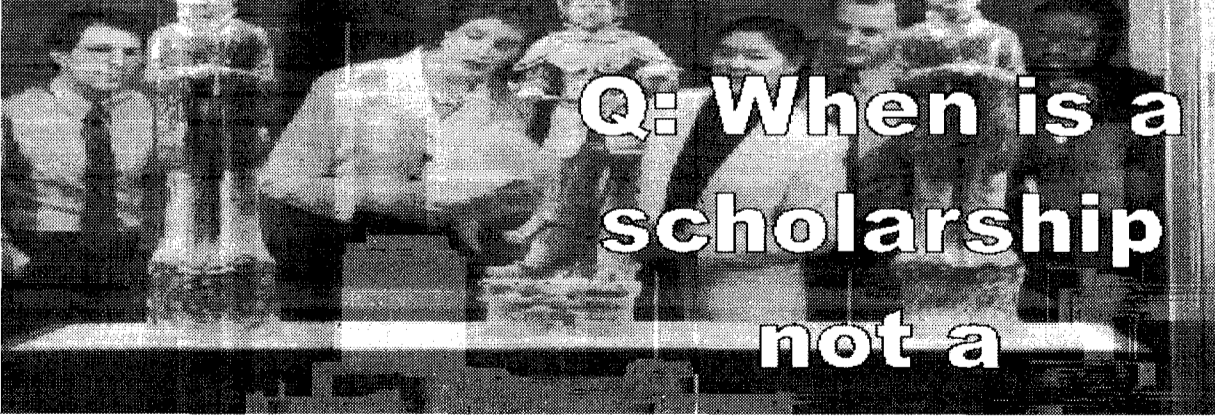
Though the number of flex points has increased, some students still wish there were more.

"There are enough to make a student have to learn to make decisions about spending. They could give me 500 points and I'd find a way to spend them but with a more limited supply, you become more selective in your purchases," junior Ashley Kelly said.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

U.S. hostage freed after 10 months

BAGHDAD — The U.S. military, acting on a tip, raided an isolated farmhouse outside the capital Wednesday and rescued an American businessman held hostage for 10 months. The kidnappers, who had kept their captive bound and gagged, escaped without a gunbattle.

The rescue came on a day that saw two deadly bombings around the southern city of Basra, fueling fears the bloody insurgency was taking deeper root outside Sunni-dominated territory. A roadside bomb killed four American security agents. And an Interior Ministry official said 16 people were killed and 21 were injured in a car bombing at a restaurant in a central market.

Roy Hallums, 57, was "in good condition and is receiving medical care," a military statement said after U.S. forces freed him and an unidentified Iraqi from the farmhouse 15 miles south of Baghdad.

Iran offer of oil rejected by U.S.

TEHRAN — Iran offered to send the United States 20 million barrels of crude oil in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina if Washington waived trade sanctions, but a State Department official said Wednesday that offer was rejected.

In a gesture that mirrors American aid offers after a devastating 2003 earthquake in Iran, Tehran's envoy to the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries said his government would ship up to 20 million barrels of oil, state radio reported late Tuesday.

"If U.S. sanctions are lifted, Iran is prepared to send that quantity of oil to America," the radio quoted Hossein Kazempour as saying.

But in Washington, the State Department's executive secretary, Harry K. Thomas Jr., said the offer was rejected because it was conditional.

NATIONAL NEWS

California passes gay marriage bill

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The California Legislature on Tuesday became the first legislative body in the country to approve a bill allowing same-sex marriages, but the measure faces an uncertain future with Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.

There were loud cheers by gay-rights activists in the Assembly gallery as lawmakers voted 41-35 to approve the bill and send it to the governor. The Assembly had twice defeated similar legislation.

A spokeswoman for the Republican governor said Schwarzenegger believes the issue should be decided by the courts, not by his signature on legislation. A state appellate court is considering appeals of a lower court ruling that overturned California laws banning recognition of gay marriages.

He will uphold whatever the court decides," Schwarzenegger spokeswoman Margita Thompson said.

Tropical storm heads to Florida

JACKSONVILLE BEACH, Fla. — Brisk wind and forceful rain from Tropical Storm Ophelia moved through this beachside community Wednesday, sending tourists scurrying inland and driving surfers out of the churning Atlantic.

The tropical depression off the coast strengthened into a tropical storm early Wednesday and could bring strong winds and heavy rain to central and northern Florida over the next few days.

LOCAL NEWS

Tax amnesty to begin next week

INDIANAPOLIS — Those delinquent on Indiana taxes take note: The state will start a 60-day grace period beginning next week that will allow you to pay up without penalties, interest or collection fees.

But Department of Revenue officials are warning those who do not come clean between Sept. 15 and Nov. 15 that they will face double penalties and more aggressive collection efforts. And there are no plans for another amnesty period in the future.

"It was enacted as a one-time event not to be repeated," Revenue Commissioner John Eckart said Wednesday.

Rehnquist given final farewell

President, justices lead mourners in honoring life, service of Chief Justice

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist was buried Wednesday as President Bush led the nation in bidding farewell to the man who orchestrated a dramatic states rights power shift in a third of a century on the Supreme Court and settled the acrimonious 2000 election in Bush's favor.

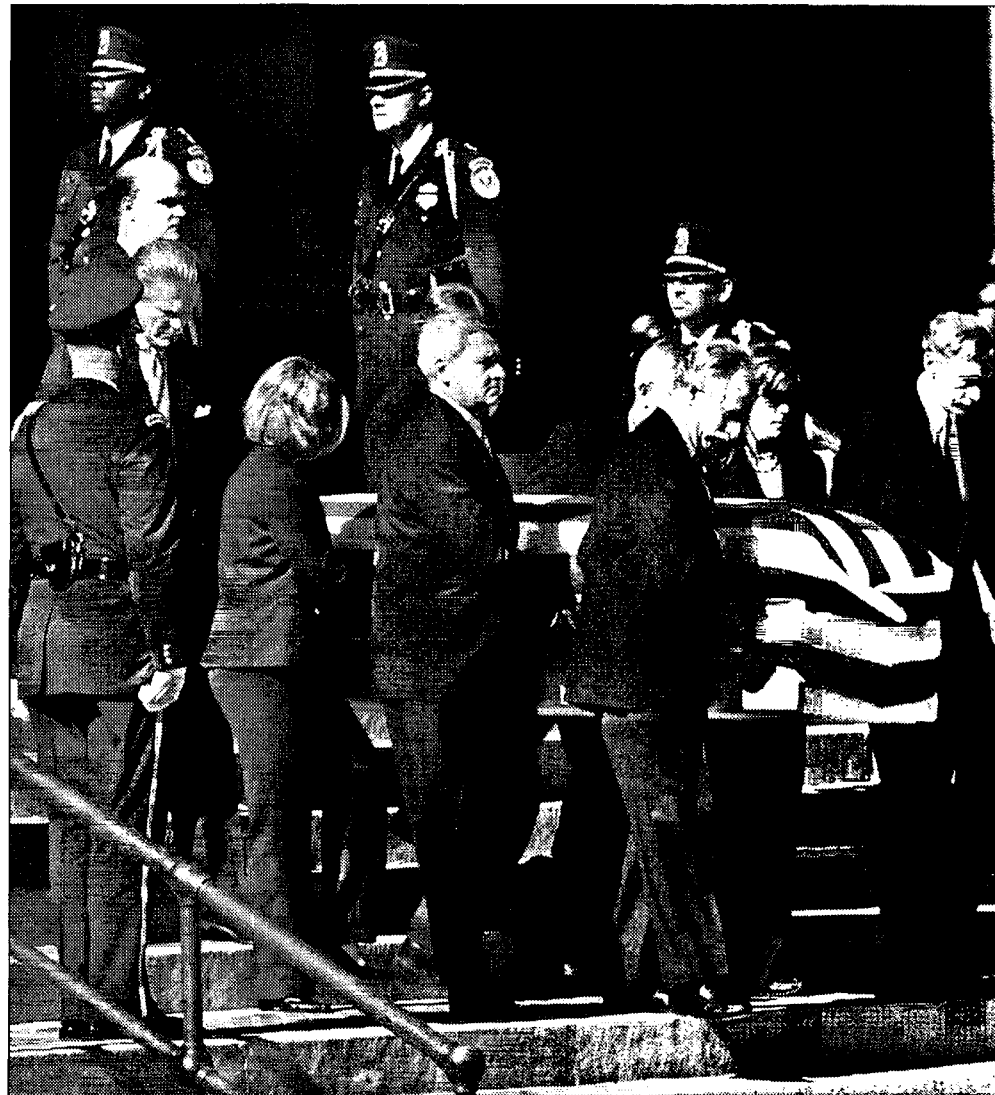
With more laughs than tears, family and friends spoke poignantly of Rehnquist's final days — when he cracked jokes in the face of death — and proudly of the imprint of his 33 years on the high court.

"We remember the integrity and the sense of duty that he brought to every task before him," Bush told the funeral audience during a two-hour service at historic St. Matthew's Cathedral. Rehnquist was a steady, guiding presence on the court, Bush said of the nation's 16th chief justice who died last Saturday at 80.

The service drew Washington's power elite, including the eight Supreme Court justices and John Roberts, a former Rehnquist law clerk whom Bush has named to succeed him.

Rehnquist, a veteran of the Army Air Forces in World War II, was buried in a private ceremony in Arlington National Cemetery in a grave not far from those of several other justices. His headstone was not yet engraved. From the grave site, where his wife was buried in 1991, the Capitol is visible.

Despite battling thyroid cancer, Rehnquist managed to attend Bush's second inauguration in January — a gesture the president recalled with appreciation. "Many will never forget the sight of this man, weakened by illness, rise to his full height and say in a strong voice, 'Raise your right hand, Mr. President, and



Followed by family members, the casket containing the body of U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist is taken out of Saint Matthew's Cathedral in Washington.

repeat after me,'" Bush said.

The chief justice, a solid conservative, was leader of the "Rehnquist five" who often favored states rights over federal government power, and in a bitter 5-4 vote handed Bush the 2000 election. There was only passing mention of that during the service, as well as his duties presiding over President Clinton's impeachment trial in 1999.

Instead, friends and family talked about his penchant for wagers, jokes, sports, geography, history, tennis, and competition of any type.

"If you valued your money, you would be careful about betting with the

chief. He usually won," said Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, who dated Rehnquist when both were in law school together in the 1950s. "I think the chief bet he could live out another term despite his illness. He lost that bet, as did all of us, but he won all the prizes for a life well lived."

Comparing Rehnquist to an expert horse rider, O'Connor said, "He guided us with loose reins and used the spurs only rarely." He was, she added, "courageous at the end of his life just as he was throughout his life," even joking with doctors in a final visit to the hospital.

The service, scripted in

part by the chief justice before his death, had a light touch. A granddaughter talked about learning poker tips from him. His son said his dad "could forgive almost anything in a person except being humorless."

"No one smelled more roses than my dad," James Rehnquist told the funeral audience.

Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, in a welcome to those assembled in the Roman Catholic church, praised Rehnquist as a "loving father and husband, an outstanding legal scholar, a tireless champion of life and a true lover of the law: in every sense, a great American."

GAZA STRIP

Palestinian security chief killed

Associated Press

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas vowed to hunt down the killers of a powerful former security chief whose gangland-style slaying Wednesday laid bare Gaza's raging power struggles just days before Israel hands over control of the coastal territory.

In a brazen challenge to Abbas, a shadowy militant group claimed responsibility for killing Moussa Arafat, cousin of the late Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, in a burst of gunfire.

Adding to the tension, the Israeli military said the vital Rafah crossing point between Gaza and Egypt would be closed Thursday until further notice as part of Israel's Gaza pull-out, which could be completed as early as Monday.

About 100 masked militants stormed Moussa Arafat's heavily guarded home in an upscale Gaza City neighborhood early Wednesday, sparking a 30-minute gunbattle with dozens of his bodyguards. The assailants burst into the home, dragged out Arafat in his pajamas and gunned him down in the dusty street.

Arafat's oldest son, Manhal, a senior security commander, was kidnapped by the gunmen. Officials said negotiations, brokered by Egyptian security officials, were under way to secure his release.

The killing raised new questions about the Palestinian Authority's ability to take control of Gaza after Israel completes its pullout next week.

It occurred a block from the headquarters of the Palestinian Preventive Security Service, which failed to respond, and 400 yards from Abbas' Gaza residence, where he was spending the night.

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Information, has been involved for several years in creating video images for Notre Dame.

"[The videos] show what Notre Dame is, what it strives to be and how it is different from other universities," Storin said.

Julie Flory, the assistant director at the Office of News and Information, was involved in the production of the video. Her office worked with an agency in Chicago to design a concept, to cast the actress and to edit the footage. The actual filming of the spot took place in New Jersey.

"We were looking for something to resonate with viewers, to create a lasting impression and show that Notre Dame is a serious place for learning and faith," Flory said.

Past spots have stressed the close-knit nature of the Notre Dame family, the devotion of students to the school, or focused on the fame and success of alumni. Storin says that the typical Division I school will have an ad that shows "famous alums, lab beakers, people in white coats. They sound like Oxford when they do their spot."

This year, the University wanted to address the uniqueness of Notre Dame and its Catholic character in order to be distinctive from other universities.

The initial feedback to the Office of News and Information about the spot has been limited so far, Storin said.

"Some people with a bad experience with admissions found the video personally disturbing," Storin said.

Their interpretation is that you must pray in order to get into the University, he said.

Jenny Ehrright, a Notre Dame sophomore, says that the commercial was "maybe a little overdone, but a lot of people can relate to waiting for a response from college."

Storin said he hopes people understand the ad shows the faith-based aspect of Notre Dame.

"We are a university that attracts young people of faith," Storin said.

Flory remarked on the difficulty of bottling a message about the University in a 30 second ad.

"It's hard to craft a message so perfect that no one can dislike it," Flory said.

Storin said he hopes viewers will focus on the words "a higher education," which appear at the end of the spot.

"The kind of person attracted to Notre Dame is a person who believes in prayer," said Storin.

This spot will be played throughout the year during televised Notre Dame sports. It can also be viewed in both the normal 30 second version and an extended 60 second version at mms://streaming.nd.edu/candle60.wmv.

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Assistant director,
Office of News and
Information



JUSTIN RICE/The Observer

After a demolition accident on Jan. 24, 2004, CJ's Pub was forced to close down. The pub will reopen Saturday, Sept. 13, in time for the first Notre Dame home football game.

CJ's

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destroyed from the accident.

"A lot of people drove by and it didn't look like a lot of damage but we had very, very extensive damage," Judy Medick said.

Throughout the repair and renovation project the owners have also had to combat rumors circulating Notre Dame websites.

"There were lots of rumors on NDnation - the bad ones being that Ricky is selling, the hospital is buying the property, they are retiring in Aruba," Ricky Medick said. "But those aren't true. We're here for the long haul."

The owners are planning

specials for certain nights of the week to help students get reacquainted with the pub.

"In the beginning we'll be running a lot of drink specials," Ricky said. "Tuesday night is student appreciation night - with student IDs we'll take a dollar off any burgers on the menu and Wednesday night is going to be margarita night."

Senior Andrew Harkins, who went to CJ's when he was a sophomore, plans to visit once it reopens.

"I liked CJ's a lot, the food was really good," Harkins said. "It was kind of dirty but that's part of its charm. I am excited that it's opening."

Since the accident, Ricky and his siblings have been trying to cope without their chief source of income.

"It's been a little rough," Ricky said. "But what happened has happened and we just have to move forward and do the best we can with what we have available - until business picks up."


Bringing back old regulars shouldn't pose a problem. The pub has attracted famous Domers since its inception in 1984. It's a favorite of television personality Regis Philbin, athletic director Kevin White and office of student affairs president Bill Kirk, Ricky said.

"I'm delighted that it's reopening," Kirk said. "They've got great cheeseburgers. I'm looking forward to it."

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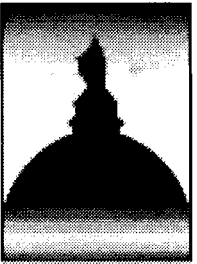
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| Up: 2,390 | Same: 151 | Down: 881 | Composite Volume: 1,933,568,070 |

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| NASDAQ | 2,172.03 | +5.17 |
| NYSE | 7,625.24 | +6.28 |
| S&P 500 | 1,236.36 | +2.97 |
| NIKKEI(Tokyo) | 12,582.60 | -24.99 |
| FTSE 100(London) | 5,365.90 | +6.70 |

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| CISCO SYS INC (CSCO) | +1.10 | +0.20 | 18.40 |
| NASDAQ 100 (QQQQ) | +0.18 | +0.07 | 39.41 |
| MICROSOFT CP (MSFT) | -0.56 | -0.15 | 26.85 |
| INTEL CP (INTC) | -0.16 | -0.04 | 25.66 |
| APPLE COMPUTER (AAPL) | -0.25 | -0.12 | 48.68 |

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| 10-YEAR NOTE | +1.30 | +0.53 | 41.38 |
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| 3-MONTH BILL | -0.15 | -0.05 | 34.05 |

| Commodities | | | |
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| LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl) | -1.59 | | 64.37 |
| GOLD (\$/Troy oz) | +0.40 | | 449.00 |
| PORK BELLIES (cents/lb.) | -0.63 | | 79.95 |

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IN BRIEF

Evacuees to receive debit cards

WASHINGTON — The federal government plans to hand out debit cards worth \$2,000 each to families displaced by Hurricane Katrina.

Homeland Security Department Secretary Michael Chertoff, under fire for his agency's response to the disaster, held a conference call with governors of states with evacuees and described the plan. While many details remained to be worked out, the plan was to quickly begin distributing the cards, starting with people in major evacuation centers such as the Houston Astrodome.

Michael Brown, the head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency which is administering the novel card program, said it is aimed at those with the most pressing needs.

"The concept is to get them some cash in hand which allows them, empowers them, to make their own decisions about what do they need to have to start rebuilding," Brown said.

Republican Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, who participated in the conference call, said the cards will be offered "to people in shelters as well as people who are not in shelters but who have evacuated the area and need help." He said the hope is the cards will encourage people to leave shelters voluntarily.

Harry Potter downloads available

NEW YORK — Break out your iPods: Harry Potter is going digital.

J.K. Rowling, once publishing's greatest hold-out against the computer age, has made all six Potter novels available for audio downloads. In a message posted Wednesday on her Web site, Rowling said she was concerned about online piracy, included bootleg editions for which the original text was altered.

"Many Harry Potter fans have been keen for digital access for a while, but the deciding factor for me in authorizing this new version is that it will help combat the growing incidents of piracy in this area," Rowling wrote.

"There have been a number of incidents where fans have stumbled upon unauthorized files believing them to be genuine and, quite apart from the fact that they are illegal, the Harry Potter content of these can bear very little resemblance to anything I've ever written!"

Economic assessment looks bleak

Higher energy prices, slow growth, job losses to ensue, says Budget Office

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Hurricane Katrina will have a greater economic impact than previous killer storms, though the energy price spikes, slower growth and job losses will not be enough to push the country into a recession.

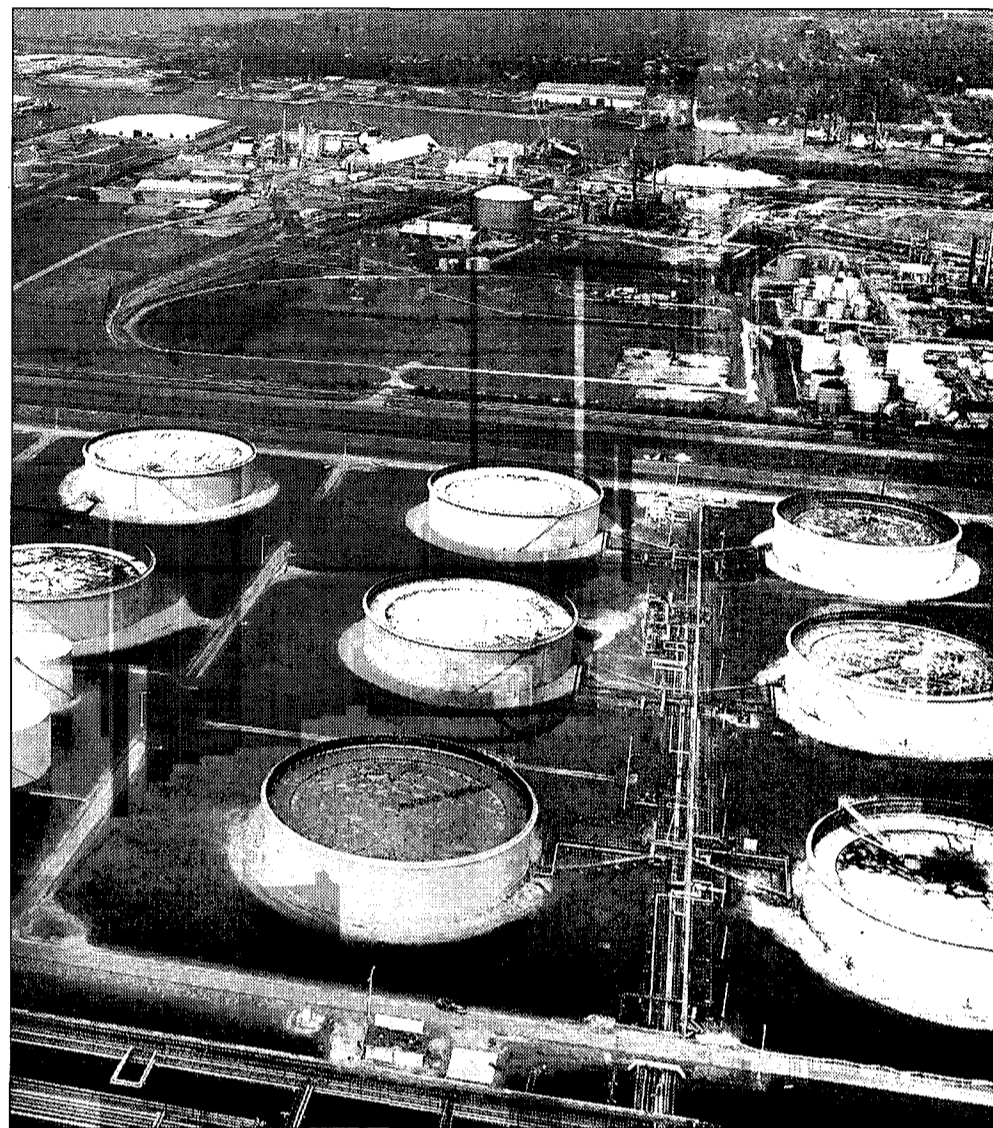
That's the view of the Congressional Budget Office, which on Wednesday provided the government's first assessment of the economic impact from the country's worst natural disaster.

The CBO predicted the aftermath of Katrina would see job losses of 400,000 in coming months, a reduction in growth of as much as a full percentage point in the second half of this year and that September gas prices will average about 40 percent higher than before the storm.

These impacts were described as "significant but not overwhelming." Still, the CBO cautioned that the economy could suffer a more serious blow if energy supply disruptions along the Gulf Coast last longer than expected.

"Last week, it appeared that larger economic disruptions might occur, but despite continued uncertainty, progress in opening refineries and restarting pipelines now makes those larger impacts less likely," CBO Director Douglas Holtz-Eakin wrote in a letter to Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., and other congressional leaders.

The CBO gave a ballpark estimate that gasoline prices will peak in September at about 40 percent higher than levels in effect in midsummer.



An aerial view of the refinery near Cowden, Miss., Sept. 1, shows the holding tanks surrounded by water. The force of Hurricane Katrina is rippling through the nation's economy.

That peak could be near, given that the average retail price of regular unleaded gasoline climbed by 46 cents last week to \$3.07 per gallon, 34 percent above the July nationwide average.

The spurt in the cost of gasoline will reduce overall economic growth by 0.4 percent in the current July-September quarter and by 0.9 percent in the October-December period as consumers cut back on

spending in other areas by around \$38 billion at an annualized rate, CBO estimated.

CBO said overall economic growth, as measured by the gross domestic product, could be reduced by between 0.5 percentage point and a full percentage point for the second half of this year but this downshift in growth should be temporary as long as gasoline prices retreat to pre-

Katrina levels.

Before the hurricane, private economists were forecasting growth in the second half would come in between 3 percent and 4 percent following growth of 3.6 percent in the first half of this year.

There have been some promising signs on the energy front in recent days with crude oil prices dropping as more Gulf Coast production resumes.

Ford, Toyota announce major recalls

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Ford and Toyota, two of the world's largest automakers, on Wednesday recalled nearly 5 million pickup trucks and sport utility vehicles in separate moves to respond to concerns of engine fires and problems with the power-steering system.

The recall by Ford Motor Co., the fifth-largest auto industry recall in U.S. history, involved 3.8 million pickups and SUVs from the 1994-2002 model years, including the top-selling F-150 pickup.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and Ford have been investigating complaints of engine fires linked to the cruise control switch system.

Toyota Motor Co., meanwhile, recalled 978,000 sport utility vehicles and pickup trucks over com-

plaints that a rod linking the steering wheel and the wheels could fracture when the steering wheel is turned while the vehicle is stopped. The affected vehicles include the 1990-1995 4Runner SUV, 1989-1995 truck 4WD and 1993-1998 T-100 pickup.

In the Ford case, NHTSA said Wednesday it was reviewing 1,170 allegations of engine fires related to the vehicles and would continue a probe launched earlier this year. There have been allegations of three deaths in cases cited in news reports or lawsuits in Iowa, Georgia and Arkansas.

Ford's recall includes the 1994-2002 F-150, 1997-2002 Ford Expedition, 1998-2002 Lincoln Navigator and 1994-1996 Ford Bronco equipped with factory-installed speed control. It covers most of the vehicles being evaluated by NHTSA.

Ford said its inquiry found brake fluid could leak through the cruise control's deactivation switch into the system's electrical components, leading to potential corrosion. That could lead to a buildup of electrical current that could cause overheating and a fire.

Owners will be notified by mail immediately. Dealers will install a fused wiring harness to act as a circuit breaker in the system. The company said the harness would cut off electrical current to the switch if the current increases.

In January, Ford recalled nearly 800,000 vehicles from the 2000 model year because of concerns over engine fires.

"We have a solution that fixes the problem and we're confident that this is going to be the right remedy," said Ford spokeswoman Kristen Kinley.

MEXICO

Ship delivers supplies to devastated regions

Welcomed gesture seen largely as symbolic

Associated Press

NUEVO LAREDO — A Mexican ship laden with hurricane relief supplies anchored off Mississippi Wednesday night, while an aid-bearing Mexican army convoy reached the U.S. border in a journey marking the first time its military has aided the United States.

The Papaloapan, a navy vessel, arrived in U.S. waters following its voyage from the Gulf coast port of Tampico and began unloading rescue equipment by helicopter, the Mexican navy's press office said.

Meanwhile, a convoy of 45 vehicles and 196 soldiers arrived at the border city of Nuevo Laredo Wednesday evening. It was to cross into U.S. territory early Thursday, Gen. Francisco Ortiz Valadez told reporters as his men refueled at a local gas station.

He said the troops would help refugee operations in San Antonio, Texas.

"Our mission is to give aid to the civilian population affected by the disaster," Ortiz said.

Federal police briefly blocked the highway in both directions as the convoy arrived at the gasoline station.

Radio talk shows and newspapers in Mexico buzzed with excitement over news that this country, long on the receiving end of U.S. disaster relief, was sending a hurricane aid convoy north.

The convoy represents the first Mexican military unit to operate on U.S. soil since 1846, when Mexican troops briefly marched into Texas, which had separated from Mexico and joined the United States.

It included military specialists, doctors, nurses and engi-

neers carrying water treatment plants, mobile kitchens, food and blankets.

"This is just an act of solidarity between two peoples who are brothers," said Fox's spokesman, Ruben Aguilar.

Army press office employee Francisco Aguilar said he did not have details of the convoy's precise location. It originally was scheduled to arrive in Houston to provide food for evacuees, but apparently had been rerouted to Dallas.

All of the convoy's participants will be unarmed. In July 2004, Mexican troops interrupted the funeral of a Mexican-born Marine killed in Iraq. They objected to the nonworking, ceremonial rifles carried by two Marines who came from the United States for the ceremony.

Mexico later apologized but said it has an obligation to enforce a ban on foreign troops carrying weapons in its territory.

The convoy has "a very high symbolic content," said Javier Oliva, a political scientist at Mexico's National Autonomous University. "This is a very sensitive subject, for historic and political reasons."

Large Mexican flags were taped to many of the 35 olive-green Mexican Army trucks and tractor trailers as they rumbled northward toward the border Wednesday.

The convoy includes two mobile kitchens that can feed 7,000 people a day, three flatbed trucks carrying mobile water-treatment plants and 15 trailers of bottled water, blankets and applesauce. The 195 Mexicans taking part include military engineers, doctors and nurses.

"This is just an act of solidarity between two people who are brothers."

Ruben Aguilar
Presidential spokesman

LONDON

Hurricane claims foreign lives

Many European citizens remain missing in ravaged New Orleans

Associated Press

LONDON — Three weeks have passed since Tom Noone last heard from his 51-year-old brother, Mike, who lived near New Orleans.

"As each day goes by, it's just harder and harder. I've got to make every effort I can to try and find him," Noone told The Associated Press from his home in Abingdon, central England.

Britain and other countries are working to account for their citizens who are missing in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. For some relatives, the search has ended happily as those once stranded begin returning home.

Mike Noone, a mechanical engineer for Lockheed Martin Corp., has lived in Louisiana for 28 years. His three children — Patrick, 24, Ryan 20, and Marion, 16 — also have not been in touch, Tom Noone said.

The level of anxiety around the world is measured on a Web site for the Geneva-based international Red Cross — <http://www.familylinks.icrc.org/katrina> — which lists more than 117,000 names of people who haven't been located.

Several hundred names have been deleted as people have been found, said spokesman Florian Westphal.

Britain's list of 96 people is the largest number confirmed by a European government. Poland says it has yet to account for 22 citizens, but France, Germany, Russia and Italy are among the nations which decline to say how many

of their people are missing.

Russia has confirmed contact with 112 citizens through its consulate in Houston, and Germany says it tracked down 70 people known to be in the region. Denmark's Foreign Ministry said Wednesday it had located the lone Dane who had not been accounted for.

None of the governments has confirmed any deaths of citizens.

At least five Australians remain unaccounted for, including 30-year-old Ashley McDonald,

whose credit cards and driver's license were found in a hotel in Baton Rouge. U.S. and Australian authorities are searching for him, Australia's Foreign Minister Alexander Downer said.

South Africa says three of its citizens are not accounted for.

Like Noone, Andrew McInnes of Devizes, England, is relying mainly on the Internet in hopes of tracking his 68-year-old father David.

"We had a falling out, and haven't had contact for about six years, but I really wanted to get in touch to make sure he was OK," McInnes told The Associated Press. He believes his father was living in New Orleans.

He said he posted a message on the Web site of the American Red Cross and another on the New Orleans-based Web site <http://www.nola.com>.

One message tells his father: "There is a plane ticket and a room ready if you need it."

There have been joyful homecoming scenes in Europe this week.

Christine Sabadello lost notes, an outline and books she was using for her doctoral dissertation at the University of New Orleans. But she told the AP she was "just happy to be alive" after returning home to Austria.

She said she rented a minivan as the storm approached and evacuated with some friends. "We just thought we'd spend a nice weekend in Texas," she said.

They got as far as Alexandria, La., and took shelter with the parents of a fellow student.

"People showed up at the house and brought food and money," Sabadello said. "We were invited over for dinner — it was amazing."

Ten Russian college students returned to a tearful welcome in Moscow on Wednesday. They had been stranded in a second-floor apartment in New Orleans for three days before being evacuated by helicopter and sent first to San Antonio, then to Atlanta.

"We swam on mattresses across the street to a bridge four days later and there we were rescued by a military helicopter," said Vitaly Nikiforov, as his mother embraced him.

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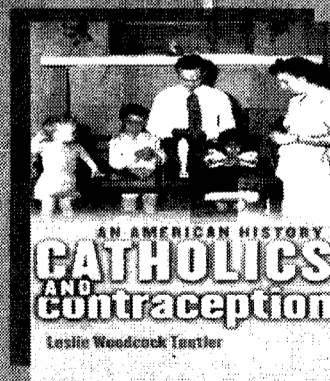
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FRANCE

Chirac's health problems unclear

French President missed Cabinet meeting due to 'vascular accident'

Associated Press

PARIS — President Jacques Chirac skipped a weekly Cabinet meeting Wednesday for the first time since taking office in 1995, as authorities kept France in suspense for a fifth full day about what exactly ails the hospitalized 72-year-old leader.

Officials have cryptically referred to Chirac's illness as "a small vascular accident" that affected his vision in one eye. With little to go on, doctors not involved in Chirac's treatment suggest a range of possible problems from minor — a ruptured blood vessel in a retina — to serious — a stroke.

Officials of the presidential Elysee Palace have worked to portray the president, admitted to Val de Grace military hospital Friday night, as active and deeply involved in the affairs of state.

Chirac met for about an hour with Prime Minister Dominique de Villepin ahead of the Cabinet meeting — held, unusually, at the premier's office and presided over by Villepin.

Officials took a reassuring tone about the president's condition. The government spokesman, Jean-Francois Cope, said Chirac was in "very good form" and

would be out of the hospital by week's end, as expected. Officials have not specified which eye was affected.

It was still unclear whether Chirac would make his planned trip to New York on Sept. 13-15 for a U.N. summit. Cope said scheduling details would be clarified when Chirac is released.

Senate President Christian Poncelet, the official who would replace Chirac if he could not carry out his functions, said he had "not for one second" imagined he might need to step in.

Chirac is "going to get back on his horse, to use the customary expression, and then take charge again," Poncelet told France-Info radio.

The French president, like other former chiefs of state, has often kept quiet about details of his health. Two years ago, Chirac reportedly dressed down a former minister who hinted publicly that he wore a hearing aid.

For years, Socialist President Francois Mitterrand covered up the prostate cancer that eventually killed him in 1996, the year after he left office. Former conservative President Georges Pompidou died in office in 1974 without ever revealing he had terminal cancer.

With memories of those deaths strong, the media has accused the government of guarding details of Chirac's condition like a state secret. However, many politicians argue that France's law on medical secrecy justifies guarding such information.

If authorities are telling the truth and Chirac has a minor problem — a retinal hemorrhage — the main question is why is he still hospitalized, said Dr. Stephan A. Mayer, associate professor of neurology and neurosurgery at Columbia University Medical Center in New York.

"One possibility is the VIP syndrome," Mayer said. "VIPs, heads of state, sometimes they get over-treated, to their detriment. They don't get one doctor, they get 17."

Other possibilities "are dicier," Mayer said. For example, if Chirac had a brain aneurysm — a form of stroke — he likely had coils inserted to prevent further bleeding, and officials are simply keeping quiet about it.

Monday's update said Chirac had a small-sized hematoma, or buildup of blood, with an "isolated and limited vision problem." Authorities have never clarified where exactly the bleeding occurred, although most French media have concluded it was in his brain.

"If he's had a hemorrhage in the brain, he's had a stroke," said Dr. Philip Steig, neurosurgeon in chief at New York Presbyterian Hospital and president of the Society of University Neurosurgeons.

Chirac has not said whether he will seek a third term in 2007.

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Dr. Stephan A. Mayer
associate professor,
Columbia University

ENGLAND

Europe fearful of imminent attack

Continent not unified on terrorist dealings

Associated Press

LONDON — The moments are carved in collective memory: Smoke billowing from the Twin Towers. The charred husk of a London double-decker bus. Bombed out commuter trains in Madrid. The convicted Muslim assassin of a Dutch filmmaker coldly telling the victim's family in court: "I don't feel your pain."

But if the language and iconography of terror haunt us in our shared fears, it does not necessarily follow that the carnage has forged a common front.

If Europeans were separated from 9/11 by the Atlantic Ocean, Madrid (3/11), Amsterdam (11/2) and London (7/7) have awakened them to the reality of 21st century terrorism. The question most people are asking is not "will there be another one?" — but "who's next?"

Yet the London attacks do not appear to have pushed Europeans closer to the United States or its government's view of the world. Many are, if anything, inclined to deride the Bush Administration's attitude as simplistic and belligerent, and to argue that the U.S.-led war in Iraq has provoked the Muslim world against the West.

And among themselves, Europeans are divided over how to proceed.

Unlike for Americans, who largely rallied together and behind their government in the months after Sept. 11, 2001, the recent terrorism in Europe has underscored differences in political outlook, culture and security strategy.

"I have the feeling that Europeans will never, ever manage to unite," said Carlos Sosa, a 51-year-old mechanical engineer in Madrid. "History separated us a long time ago and it is hard for even such a painful case as terrorism to bring us back together."

For some on this side of the Atlantic, the London attacks created a certain affinity between Europe and the United States that was briefly reminiscent of the atmosphere immediately after 9/11, when the world's heart went out to wounded New York and Washington, D.C. Few here have forgotten the ash-caked, traumatized faces emerging from the stricken Twin Towers, just as few will forget the London woman clutching a burn mask to her face in a chilling evocation of Edvard Munch's painting, "The Scream."

But rifts remain. "The public feels closer to the United States because of what it suffered on Sept. 11,

but there are important distinctions, like the war in Iraq," said Enzo de Martino, a civil servant in Rome.

Perhaps most keenly, terrorism has brought urgency to an internal debate in Europe about how to handle the continent's Muslim immigrant communities.

The two main approaches have been France's activist secularism, which demands that newcomers assimilate to the French way of life, and the liberal multiculturalism of Britain and the Netherlands, which teaches that society is enriched when immigrants preserve their traditions.

As the London attacks and the slaying of Dutch filmmaker Theo van Gogh suggested, the multicultural approach that can inject vigor into a country's economic, social and artistic life can also lead to a kind of self-imposed ghettoization: Communities sealing themselves off from the traditions and values of the host nation.

Three of the four July 7 bombers grew up in insular Muslim communities in the north of England. Mohammed Bouyeri, the man convicted of stabbing Van Gogh in the chest on an Amsterdam street for making a film critical of Islamic practices, was born in Holland to Moroccan parents and was drawn into the Islamic radicalism that has been allowed to flourish there.

"Multiculturalism has meaning only if it results in a form of social harmony," Gilles Keppel, a professor at the Institute of Political Studies in Paris wrote in a commentary in *Le Monde*. "In this sense, the trauma of British society is greater than that of American society

after Sept. 11. In the United States, the 19 hijackers were foreigners. In the United Kingdom, the eight suspected in the attacks are children of multicultural society."

Now, the British government is rethinking its policy of accommodating radical Muslim preachers, with Prime Minister Tony Blair proposing deportation measures. But these have been criticized for going against the nation's liberal traditions.

Many Britons bristle at Blair's recent statement that immigrants have to "play by our rules and our way of life," saying he is using the attacks as a pretext for slipping draconian measures past a traumatized public.

"He is just pandering to nationalism. We are all humans," said Robert Norden, a 55-year-old teacher in London.

Some experts, however, argue that until the July 7 bus and subway bombings, the British government had been playing a dangerous game of appeasement with Islamic radicals.



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Thousands evacuated by military, police

New Orleans residents holding out in homes

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Using the unmistakable threat of force, police and soldiers went house to house Wednesday to try to coax the last 10,000 or so stubborn holdouts to leave storm-shattered New Orleans because of the risk of disease from the putrid, sewage-laden floodwaters.

"A large group of young men armed with M-16s just arrived at my door and told me that I have to leave," said Patrick McCarty, who owns several buildings and lives in one of them in the city's Lower Garden District. "While not saying they would arrest you, the inference is clear."

A frail-looking 86-year-old Anthony Charbonnet grumbled as he locked his front door and walked slowly backward down the steps of the house where he had lived since 1955.

"I haven't left my house in my life," he said as soldiers took him to a helicopter. "I don't want to leave."

Mayor C. Ray Nagin ordered law officers and the military late Tuesday to evacuate all holdouts — by force if necessary. He warned that the combination of fetid water, fires and natural gas leaks after Hurricane Katrina made it too dangerous to stay.

In fact, the first government tests confirmed Wednesday that the amount of sewage-related bacteria in the floodwaters is at least 10 times higher than acceptable safety levels. Dr. Julie Gerberding, chief of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, warned stragglers not to even touch the water and pleaded: "If you haven't left the city yet, you must do so."

As of midday, there were no reports of anyone being removed by force. And it was not clear how the order would be carried out.

Active-military troops said they had no plans to use force. National Guard officers said they do not take orders from the mayor. And even the police said they were not ready to use force just yet. It appeared that the mere threat of force would be the first option.

"We have thousands of people who want to voluntarily evacuate at this time," Police Chief Eddie Compass said. "Once they are all out, then we'll concentrate our forces on mandatory evacuation."

Mindful of the bad publicity that could result from images of weary residents dragged out of their homes at gunpoint, Compass said that when his officers start using force, it will be the minimum amount necessary.

"If you are somebody who is 350 pounds, it will obviously take more force to move you than if you are 150 pounds," the chief said.

The stepped-up evacuation came as workers trying to get into the city to restart essential services came under sniper fire. More than 100 officers and seven armored personnel carriers captured a suspect in a housing project who had been firing on workers trying to restore cell phone towers, authorities said.

"These cell teams are getting

fire on almost a daily basis, so we needed to get in here and clean this thing up," said Capt. Jeff Winn, commander of the police SWAT team. "We're putting a lot of people on the street right now and I think that we are bringing it under control. Eight days ago this was a mess. Every day is getting a little bit better."

The police chief boasted that 7,000 more military, police and other law officers on the streets had made New Orleans "probably the safest city in America right now."

Across miles of ravaged neighborhoods of clapboard houses, grand estates and housing projects, workers struggled to find and count corpses sniffed out by cadaver dogs in the 90-degree heat. The mayor has said New Orleans' death toll could reach 10,000. Already, a temporary warehouse morgue in rural St. Gabriel that had been prepared to take 1,000 bodies was being readied to handle 5,000.

The enormity of the disaster came ever-clearer in neighboring St. Bernard Parish, which was hit by a levee break that brought a wall of water up to 20 feet high. State Rep. Nita Hutter said 30 people died at a flooded nursing home in Chalmette when the staff left the elderly residents behind in their beds. And Rep. Charlie Melancon said more than 100 people died at a dockside warehouse while they waited for rescuers to ferry them to safety.

The floodwaters continued to recede, though slowly, with only 23 of the city's normal contingent of 148 pumps in operation, along with three portable pumps. The water in St. Bernard Parish had fallen 5 feet.

Because of the standing water, doctors were being urged to watch for diarrheal illnesses caused by such things as E. coli bacteria, certain viruses, and a type of cholera-like bacteria common along the warm Gulf Coast.

Hurricane separates loved ones

Pregnant women, terminally ill apart from families during storm

Associated Press

Rachal Watson is 19 years old and nine months pregnant. Her 1-year-old daughter is missing. So is her boyfriend. She paces the floor of a Houston motel, far from her former home in New Orleans, rubbing her belly while her worries run wild.

"I just can't take it no more," she says in a high-pitched wail. "I really can't. I have no momma and no daddy. That's the only family I have."

Her posting, on the Web's National Next of Kin Registry: "I am safe in Houston hotel looking for baby girl."

She is one of thousands upon thousands looking for the ones they love in any way they can.

In the wreckage of Katrina, not much works, especially the phones. So desperate families try to reach the missing through television or the Internet.

Most pleas on the Web begin the same: "Where are you?" The only difference is the number of question marks.

Eleanor Sawyer of New Orleans writes, "I am staying at the Hirsch Coliseum in Shreveport, Louisiana and I looking for my son Darrell Sawyer..."

On another site, Patty Hein looks for her sister and brother-in-law, from Long Beach, Miss. "Any info about where they lived, if it's intact, any word, we are so worried," she wrote.

On the Web site of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, photographs have been posted of 20 Louisiana children whose parents are missing.

Some are toddlers. Others are teenagers. Most are in between — 8, 9, 10 years old. The youngest grin at the camera. The teenagers try hard not to look scared. The kids in the middle just look bewildered.

Liz Bartholomew, who lives in a small town about 50 miles

north of Anchorage, Alaska, has been searching the Web to find her half brother, Hayward Smith, who lives outside Gulfport, Miss. They weren't close, and she weeps admitting that.

"He's old and he has prostate cancer and he's got dementia," she said. "He lives by himself in that trailer." She has called and called, but the circuits are too busy to get through. He has

three grown daughters who live nearby, but Bartholomew doesn't know their married names. She has another brother in Bay St. Louis on the destroyed Mississippi shoreline, but he can't get out of

the area to check on Smith.

"It's horrifying," she sobbed. "Just horrifying."

On Wednesday, she got word he was OK. "I found him," she said.

On national television, relatives stand in front of the Houston Astrodome and other evacuation sites, holding cardboard signs bearing names of the missing and phone numbers for them to call.

Others look directly into camera lenses and beg for information, or try to give it.

"Your mother and daddy are headed for the convention center," said Bettie Perrier of New Orleans, as she headed for a bus, trailing tears of frustration. "We don't know what we'll do there."

Trina Sutton, looking angry and frantic, stood outside the Astrodome and recited her phone number on CNN. She was separated from her two children, Marice and Deverenisha, as they were being evacuated. She has no idea where they are. "No one can't tell me nothing," she said.

After a week, Angie Holman in Jacksonville, Fla., had given up hope. Four family members in the New Orleans area, including one who is blind and diabetic, hadn't been heard from. Hamon had registered their names on every Web site she could find. She monitored television news broadcasting, searching the background for faces she recognized.

"I would just be looking to see if I could see someone who belonged to me," she said. "It's just the not knowing and not being able to do anything. We were helpless. We all just wanted to get in the car and go, or get on a plane and fly down there. But where would we go? What would we do? How would we look for them?"

On Monday, just before midnight, the Red Cross called Holman's grandmother.

"They're all accounted for. They're in some kind of shelter in Lafayette, La. They're all together," Holman said Tuesday, her voice breaking in relief and exhaustion. "We haven't been able to speak with them, but they're OK. They lost everything, but they got out with their lives."

And then there is Rachal Watson, who thought things couldn't get much worse than

having to live in the Louisiana Superdome without power or food or water. She dove under a National Guard truck when people in the surging crowd outside shot at rescue helicopters. "I was so scared I forgot I was pregnant," she said. "I landed on my stomach, like a baseball slide."

Not long after, she started having contractions. She was taken by ambulance to New Orleans' airport. "The wouldn't let my baby or my boyfriend on the ambulance. They said I had to get on by myself."

"I just can't take it no more."

**Rachal Watson
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SOUTH AFRICA

U.N. says anti-poverty goals unmet

Rich-poor gap widens, one-fifth of humanity living on one dollar per day

Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG — Time is running out for world leaders to keep their promises to roll back poverty and millions of people will die needlessly over the next decade without drastic changes, the U.N. warned in a major report Wednesday.

The stark findings were presented to the 191 U.N. member nations a week before they meet in New York for a summit to review progress toward the Millennium Development Goals. The targets set in 2000 include halving extreme poverty, reducing child deaths by two-thirds and achieving universal primary education by 2015.

The goals were promised by 189 governments to the world's poor people, and the countries have less 10 years to make good on them, said Kevin Watkins, chief author of the 2005 Human Development Report. One landmark will be next week's meeting.

He said that "without the required investment and political will," the promises will not be met.

Progress is being made overall, the document shows. Life expectancy has increased by two years in developing countries, and more than 130 million people have been lifted out of poverty since the U.N. Development Fund's first report in 1990. There are 2 million fewer child deaths annually and 30 million more children in school.

But many countries are falling behind, especially in sub-Saharan Africa, where the HIV/AIDS pandemic has inflicted

the single greatest reversal in human development.

Eighteen countries — 12 in Africa and six in central-eastern Europe — registered lower scores on the UNDP's human development index than in 1990.

The index ranks 177 countries based on income, life expectancy and education figures from 2003. Norway tops the list, while Niger is last. The United States ranked 10th.

South Africa, which has more people living with the HIV virus that causes AIDS than any other country, has dropped 35 places on the development index since 1990.

Life expectancy in Botswana has fallen by 20 years since the 1970s to just 36. A Zambian has less chance of reaching 30 than a person born in England at the dawn of the Industrial Revolution in 1840.

Despite growing global prosperity, more than 1 billion people still survive on less than \$1 a day, 10.7 million children die before their fifth birthday and 115 million are not in school.

In many instances the gap between rich and poor is widening, the report said. One-fifth of humanity live in countries where many think nothing of spending \$2 on a cappuccino. Another fifth survive on less than \$1 a day.

In many countries that are making progress, it is only the wealthiest who are benefiting. The gap between child mortality rates among rich and poor is increasing in countries like Ghana, Zambia and Uganda.

In India, the death rate in children under 5 is 50 percent higher for girls than boys.

Such disparities present one of the greatest barriers to progress, Watkins said. At the current rate, 115 countries with a combined population of almost 2.1 billion are off track by more than a generation on at least one millennium goal.

Reducing the number of children who die before 5 is projected to take until 2045. That translates into 41 million more child deaths over the next decade than if the target were met.

Missing the target on reducing poverty would mean 380 million more people surviving on less than \$1 a day, the report said.

Governments of developing countries must take responsibility for reversing these trends by tackling inequalities, respecting human rights, encouraging investment and rooting out corruption, the report said. But their success will depend on wealthy nations making major changes in aid, trade and security policies.

This year saw the eight richest nations devote unprecedented attention to poverty at their summit in Gleneagles, Scotland, including a pledge to double aid to \$50 billion by 2015.

But aid levels are still far from keeping pace with growing incomes in the wealthiest countries, the report said. Much of the help is poorly coordinated and comes with too many strings attached — including the purchase of goods and services from donor countries, which reduces the value of aid by almost \$2 billion in sub-Saharan Africa alone.

Improving aid will be meaningless without giving poor countries a fairer share of world

EGYPT

Elections take step toward democracy

Associated Press

CAIRO — Amnah Mohammed walked out of the polls, proclaiming she had voted for President Hosni Mubarak "because I love him." Then the 35-year-old widow rushed away to get the bottle of cooking oil and packet of sugar a ruling party official had promised her in return for her vote.

It was one of a number of instances of pressure, intimidation or incentives to vote reported by both citizens and opposition parties across Egypt on Wednesday as the country held its first presidential election in which voters had a choice of candidates.

The United States hopes the vote will be a key step toward democracy across the Middle East. But the ballot was marred by charges of fraud and the near-certainty that Mubarak will win another six years in office.

The leading opposition candidate, Ayman Nour, charged the elections "are not fair at all," and vowed to reject rigged results.

However, a top official in another major opposition party, El-Sayed el-Badawy, said that while fraud and intimidation were apparent, "This is the first time for a president to reach out

to the citizens and ask for their support. This is a positive thing."

Osama Attawiya, spokesman for the country's election commission, said the panel had received no major complaints or reports of problems.

Nine candidates ran against Mubarak this time, but only two were considered significant — Nour of the al-Ghad Party and

Noaman Gomaa of the Wafd — and the president was expected to win handily. Final results were not due until Saturday.

El-Badawy and several independent monitoring groups said they thought turnout was low, contrary to government predictions of high turnout. The number of voters might indicate whether recent calls for reform have shaken

en Egyptians out of an apathy generated by years of stagnation.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said the U.S. government was following the election closely and called the vote "a beginning."

"These elections really mark a historic departure for Egypt, in the fact that you have multicanidate presidential elections. I think it's safe to say that Egyptians have not seen a presidential election like the one they have just seen in their lifetimes," he said.

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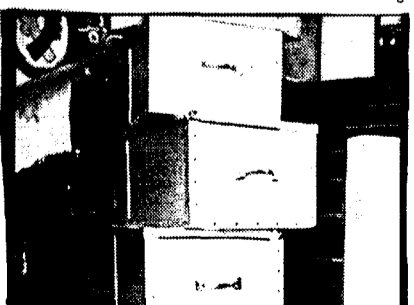
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Some years ago, I came by a fact about Madonna. I don't know how it happened; I do everything I can to avoid learning about celebrities' lives, but somehow the information keeps seeping in.

Madonna had let it be known that her daughter, Lourdes, was not allowed to watch television because Madonna believed it was a bad influence.

Perhaps, I remarked to a friend of mine, what Madonna was really worried about was that Lourdes might turn on MTV and happen across her mother's "Erotica" video. That scream, I said, would be audible from space.

My friend demurred. He's a physicist, so I initially assumed his complaint was that a scream cannot travel through the vacuum of space, but it turned out that what he objected to was my slur on Madonna's parenting.

If Madonna's raunchy videos would be disturbing to her daughter, my friend countered, it was not her fault, but the fault of our society for teaching her daughter that sex is something to be ashamed of. If only we could get over the puritanical idea that sex is dirty, if only we could get past our prissy Victorian taboos, then we would live in a less hypocritical and healthier culture.

This argument is made (or just as frequently assumed) in all kinds of debates, but these days it is most commonly encountered in discussions of pornography. I don't think it's a good argument, but it does seem to be an effective one (who wants to be a prissy Victorian?), and it has no doubt contributed to the increasing acceptance of pornography in our culture.

In the show "Friends" (a sitcom none more mainstream than which can be imagined), Chandler's wife treats his predilection for internet pornography as

a foible deserving of ridicule, rather than a vice deserving censure. It's a familiar stance off screen as well as on; porn (notice how the abbreviation "porn" already makes pornography seem less serious, more familiar) is just one of those dumb things guys like, a bit embarrassing really, but hardly a moral issue.

Further signs that pornography has lost some of its stigma can be seen in higher education. Linda Williams, who teaches film studies at the University of California, Berkeley was described not so long ago in the Boston Globe as "a leading porn theorist," which is one of those phrases that should set off alarm bells in the reader's head.

Okay, so that's Berkeley, which prides itself on being out of step with mainstream culture, but other universities are teaching pornography too. At Wesleyan University (Wesleyan!) Hope Weissman taught a course which required students to create their own pornographic works for their final project ("I don't put any constraints on it," she explained, "It's supposed to be: 'Just create your own work of pornography.'"). The University of Southern California invited Grace Quek, an "adult film actress" (all three words are accurate, but somehow none of them really gets to the heart of the matter), to create a "sex studies" major. Apparently, during one class Quek (who performs under a different name) had sex with two of her female friends in front of the students.

In Britain, the television networks are not permitted to show pornography, but they do everything they can to provide a close approximation of it, often in the form of late night "documentaries" about the adult film industry — as if what makes the films themselves dirty is the presence of a fictional narrative. Apparently we're supposed to imagine that while a film showing people having sex counts as pornography, a film of those same people being filmed while having sex is cultural journalism.

These days even the feminists, traditionally opponents of pornography, are

divided on the issue. Some still believe that pornography contributes to women's oppression but are reluctant to denounce it for being seen as making common cause with the Religious Right. Others are keen to avoid the issue because they wish to avoid encouraging the stereotype that feminists are anti-sex. And then there are those who have discovered that they actually rather enjoy pornography themselves and so declare that it can be empowering, a means through which women can take control of their own sexuality, and so on.

It is sometimes argued that we shouldn't get worked up about pornography because it's really nothing new, indeed it's as old as civilization; the Greeks and the Romans were both fond of sexually explicit paintings and some of their poetry is pretty saucy.

Well, it's notoriously difficult to define pornography, but wherever and however we draw the line there, it surely must be admitted that there is a major difference between the graphic frescoes found in Pompeii and the videos of real — albeit cartoonishly proportioned — people having sex that form the backbone of America's pornography industry. And the fact that that industry has an annual turnover of somewhere in the region of \$14 billion suggests that modern pornography is without precedent not just in its nature, but also in the scale of its consumption.

La Rochefoucauld said that hypocrisy is the tribute that vice pays to virtue. So one easy way to do away with hypocrisy is to do away with the distinction between virtue and vice, but that would be a Pyrrhic victory, and a culture in which Lourdes could watch her mother cavorting around as a dominatrix might well be less hypocritical, but it certainly won't be healthier.

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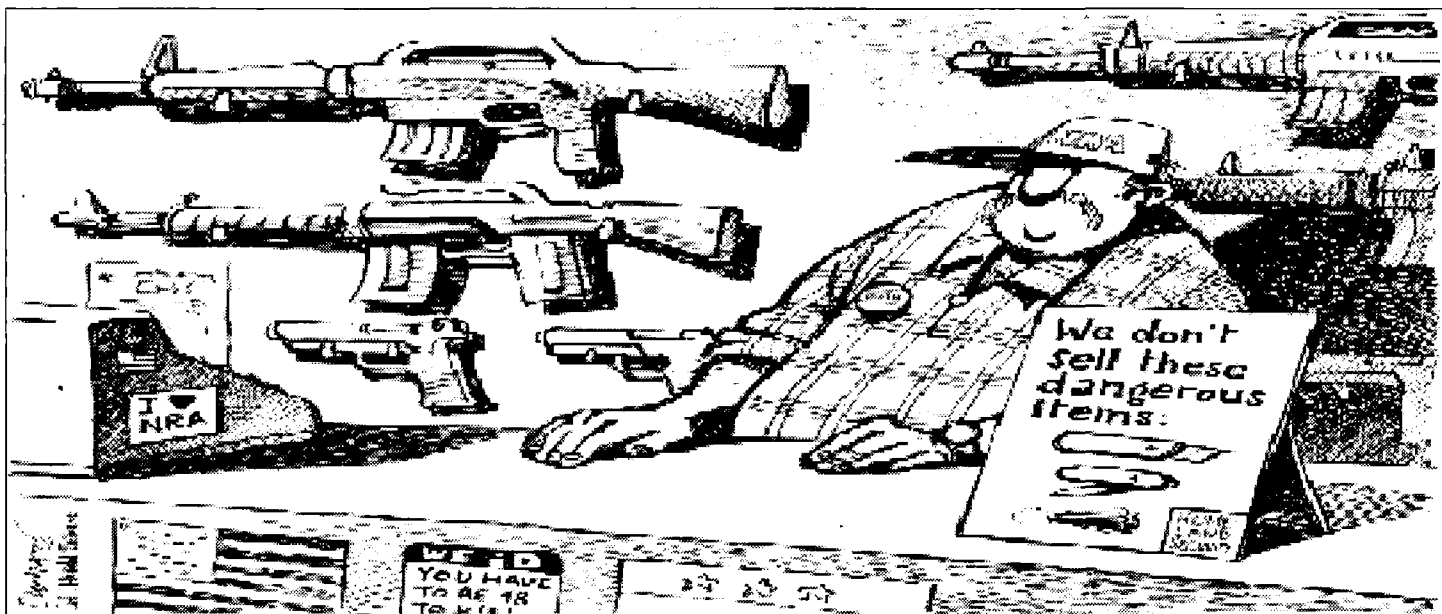
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Open letter to Father Jenkins: Burnishing the public image

The first installment of this letter traced the connection between the tendency of some administrators to run Notre Dame like a business and certain problems faced by the university at the beginning of your presidency. Of particular concern are problems of image-making, of grade inflation and of misleading TCFs. This second installment focuses on problems of image-making specifically.

Kenneth Sayre

Guest Columnist

Like all institutions of higher learning, Notre Dame has a stake in maintaining a favorable public image. The power of a Notre Dame degree to open doors and to influence people depends upon the University's reputation, as does its success in recruiting students and in raising funds. The degree is in sufficient demand to prompt the thought among administrators that Notre Dame is in the business of marketing an attractive commodity. To the extent that Notre Dame is run like a business, its fortune is determined by the kind of image it presents to the public at large, especially to prospective students and donors.

Some manifestations of Notre Dame's image are relatively constant and not likely to change. Others are more fluid. Durable components include the Golden Dome, the Leprechaun and the Notre Dame logo. To these might be added episodes from its storied past that can be encapsulated in the form of a picture (the Four Horsemen) or sound bite ("win one for the Gipper"). As long as they remain unsullied, symbols like these are effective in generating good publicity.

More fluid are impressions of the University generated by its involvement in newsworthy current events. A recent example is the unfavorable publicity caused by the firing of Coach Willingham, which was countered by a PR effort focused on the success of replacement Coach Weis in the last Super Bowl. Special bailiwicks like the Athletic Department have their own publicity offices. Image-management for the University at large, however, is handled mostly by the News and Information Office. Some publicity work is also farmed out to dedicated organizations like Golden Dome Productions, which have assisted in numerous capital campaigns and other PR ventures.

There is no doubt that the task of maintaining a positive public image should be managed in a professional manner. The question of present concern is what kind of image Notre Dame should be trying to project, and to what purpose. Is it in the University's best interest to construct an image tailored expressly to elicit desired

responses from specific audiences, like that of a successful candidate in recent national elections? Or is the University better served by presenting itself to the world as it really is, like an old-style presidential candidate on the back of a campaign train?

Put otherwise, the question is whether the University's publicity managers should concentrate on fabricating an image that will attract donors and potential students, or whether their efforts should be directed primarily toward making known the genuine worth of a Notre Dame education. While the implicit goal in both cases is to advance the interests of the University, the two approaches differ on how that goal is to be accomplished. The difference is analogous to that between trying to boost sales of a brand of cereal by gimmicks like fancy packaging and deceptive pricing, and trying to improve sales by enhancing the actual quality of the product. Although professional image-managers would be quick to embrace the latter as their "official" position (e.g., in mission statements), there are signs that the former may be emerging in practice as Notre Dame's dominant publicity strategy.

Consider, for example, a recent web-posting (<http://und.collegesports.com>), which observed that "Notre Dame's commitment to academic excellence, values, service and character development" places it among the nation's top 25 institutions of higher learning. Evidence offered to that effect included Notre Dame's being one of only nine schools in the nation that admit less than half their freshman applicants, its ranking consistently among the top 25 in the survey conducted annually by "U.S. News and World Report," and its repeated high ranking among the nation's "Most Wired College."

Not mentioned in the web-posting was the fact that a dozen or so of the nation's best institutions (including Harvard, Princeton, Yale, and Stanford) refused to participate in the "Most Wired" competition because it included no evaluation of how well technology meets their educational needs. Also relevant is the fact that the "U.S. News" rankings have come under extensive criticism among educators for allowing institutions to fudge in reporting data and for measuring factors extraneous to genuine education. As far as admission rates are concerned, the fact that Notre Dame can be selective indicates that many students want to come here, but says nothing about whether they come for academically sound reasons.

Commitment to values like academic excellence and character development unquestionably is a good thing. Indeed, few self-respecting institutions of higher learning would want to gainsay it. But success in

meeting such a commitment cannot be measured by numerical rankings among like-minded universities.

Nor can it be measured by statistics internal to a particular university. Notre Dame takes pride in the increasing SAT scores of its entering students (up an average of about .01 a year). It also tracks the graduation rates of these students once they matriculate (currently about 93%), their average cumulative GPAs at graduation (currently over 3.4 and rising), and the percentage of Bachelor Degrees received with Honors (more than doubled in the past 20 years). But there is no attempt to evaluate these figures in light of the well-known facts that high schools are increasingly intent on coaching their college-bound students to do well on the SATs, that institutions can adjust their graduation requirements to let through almost any percentage they please, and that grade inflation is rampant among even the best colleges and universities.

As informed observers have stressed time and again, the genuine quality of education cannot be measured in quantitative terms. This limitation would be beside the point if the purpose of an educational institution were conceived mainly as a commercial venture. In point of fact, the success of a commercial enterprise is gauged by the number of potential customers it attracts and the percentage that end up buying the product. But if ND's primary purpose is to provide a high quality education, and not merely to market a product, its success cannot be measured by a set of statistics.

In the months to come, Notre Dame's new administration will be examining its priorities regarding the academic mission of the University. It is not unreasonable to hope that top priority will be given to providing the best education possible, as distinct from the most efficient marketing of a Notre Dame degree. If a commitment is made to the goal of a top quality education, however, a number of practical ramifications will follow in its train. These need to be considered as part of the self-examination process.

One ramification is that primary responsibility for maintaining Notre Dame's public image will no longer rest with the News and Information Office and similar PR operations. Their services will still be needed in overseeing news releases, and in providing advice on how the way University conducts its business will be perceived by the general public. The persons primarily in charge of the University's image, nonetheless, will be its top academic officers. Their main task in this regard will be to make sure that what really happens at Notre Dame is worthy of being made known to the public at large. The upshot will be that Notre Dame will have the reputation it deserves, rather than one constructed by professional image-

makers.

Another consequence is that the top academic officers must become thoroughly acquainted with what is actually going on in the classrooms, the laboratories, the dormitories and the various social venues where intellectual and character formation of individual students is taking place. A sizeable number of veteran professors share the impression that the intellectual formation of Notre Dame students has deteriorated significantly over the past twenty years. The shared view is that there has been a distinct diminution in intellectual curiosity, in ability to think critically, and in skills of speaking and writing coherently. More students are getting higher grades for less effort expended on their studies, and too many are receiving credit for classes they seldom attend. The new administration should make a sustained effort to find out whether impressions such as these have an objective basis, and if so what corrective actions would be effective.

As far as character and personal values are concerned, current student mores seem to support binge drinking, four-day weekends and cheating on exams if you can get by with it. In a typical daily routine, too much time seems to be spent keeping up with pop culture and too little in developing habits of discernment and recreation (often called "good taste") that will provide nourishment and staying-power in later life. Among religiously active students, in turn, there appears to be more emphasis on judging the desert of other people than on charitable practices that would inspire others to share their faith. If misgivings of this sort turn out to be well founded, the University might want to rethink the manner and extent of its involvement in student culture.

These are only a few suggestions of possible shortcomings your new administration might want to look into as it takes charge of the University's public image. If correction is needed, it should be undertaken with the goal of making the education Notre Dame provides so attractive that it needs no further embellishment. The public image that results would attract both students and donors with a genuine interest in education. This is quite different from an image calculated to attract potential consumers and to enhance the commercial value of a Notre Dame degree.

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Expanding our communities

This past weekend, Nate Wills, C.S.C. professed his final vows in the Congregation of Holy Cross and was ordained a deacon in the Catholic Church. On Saturday in the Basilica, Nate made a "profession of perpetual vows" in Holy Cross, promising to live the vows of poverty, celibacy and obedience throughout his lifetime within the community of Holy Cross. On Sunday in the Moreau Seminary Chapel, he was ordained to the Order of Deacon, to serve in that capacity until his ordination to the priesthood next Easter Saturday.

Kate Barrett

Faithpoint

Most likely only a small percentage of our Notre Dame community will ever feel called to religious life as their vocation, but each of us who has been baptized has a vocation nonetheless. Part of our life task as members of the Body of Christ is to answer the question, "To what has God called me?" Have you asked yourself this question lately? Maybe you — or others you know — have never asked it of yourself, but we each

should. Early and often, as they say in Chicago. You may find that you're already exactly where you should be and doing what you should be doing, but chances are you will find that God hopes and wishes for you to live out your baptismal promises more fully, to follow Christ more closely, to serve and love others more deeply and freely.

We might learn something along the way about how to do this by thinking about how Deacon Nate moved forward in his vocation this weekend. Just as Jesus began his public ministry by choosing a group of disciples, Deacon Nate was welcomed into Holy Cross and promised his heart and his life to them through his perpetual vows. Think about most anything you do — aren't burdens eased, aren't sorrows lifted, isn't the mundane more interesting and aren't joys magnified when shared with others? Even more so, then, can we answer and live out the question, "To what has God called me?" if we do so in a community that supports, challenges and encourages us.

Having made those promises to Holy

Cross, Deacon Nate was ready to be ordained a deacon the following day. He can take the next step in his life's vocation as a priest from within a community. No matter how much he struggles, no matter what he finds almost too difficult to bear and no matter what amazing truths he learns through his service, he will have around him brothers in Christ with whom he can live out his joy, or sorrow, or fear.

So who are your communities? And if that word sounds too formal for you, you're still not off the hook. Just substitute "group of friends." Who do you hang out with, who do you talk about the future with? Can you ask each other the question, "To what has God called me?" If your closest chums would laugh you off the couch for asking, perhaps that might give you a reason to pause. And if you're already a part of a great, thoughtful, faithful group of friends, then look around. Who might need an invitation to join you? Anybody look a little lonely in your section or in your 9 a.m. class?

Deacon Nate chose as the first reading for

his final vows liturgy the passage from 1 Samuel where God calls Samuel. The first three times Samuel doesn't understand and thinks his mentor Eli is calling him (1 Sam. 3:1-10). Finally, Eli figures out what's going on and tells Samuel, "If it happens again, say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" If we're lucky, we all have wise Eli's in our communities, someone who can point us toward God and encourage us to listen when God speaks to us. Look around for an Eli or two in your life, or be one for somebody else who needs a push in the right direction. We all need each other, to hear God's call and to become servants who listen. May we find, as Deacon Nate has, communities from within which we can reach out to others in service of the Kingdom of God.

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CD REVIEWS

British dance band broadens U.S. horizons

By VINCE LABRIOLA
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Famous in the late 1990's for their VMA-winning single "Virtual Insanity," the British-born dance group Jamiroquai has since been largely ignored by American audiences, despite attaining superstar status across the pond some years ago. It may come as a surprise then that "Dynamite," the group's latest, is actually their sixth album and will be in stores on Sept. 20. It's a perfect starting point for anyone who would like to discover, or re-discover, one of the premier dance groups out there.

Jamiroquai revolves around its tabloid-friendly front man, Jay Kay. Discovered in near poverty, a single demo disc he created bought him an unprecedented eight-CD deal from Sony/BMG. The group's initial offering, "Emergency on Planet Earth," was released in the UK with considerable European success thereafter.

It wasn't until 1996's "Traveling Without Moving" that Jamiroquai (Jay Kay and his consistently-changing band mates) reached a wide American audience. Backed by the eye-catching video for "Insanity" and a dance hit with "Cosmic Girl," the band could be seen on MTV for quite some time. Jamiroquai's next few albums, however, never became popular in the U.S., and as a result the band faded into relative obscurity until very recently.

Enter Napoleon Dynamite. That song Napoleon dances to? That's "Canned Heat," off of Jamiroquai's excellent 1999 release "Synkronized."

Riding on the heels of their cameo appearance in one of the biggest success stories in independent film comes "Dynamite," an album that is edgier and less musically complex than some of its predecessors, but thrilling nonetheless.

"Dynamite" is a synthesizer-based album, and Jay Kay's signature bass machine riffs are featured on nearly every track, swirling furiously beneath the melodies.

The album begins with the excellent opening number "Feels Just Like It Should." A slick, dirty, distorted disco-influenced track that has Jay Kay shouting, "Slips in, feels good / I love it when you tell me / It feels just like it should."

Gone is the



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Jay Kay, the lead singer and song writer for Jamiroquai, a British dance/funk band, performs on stage. The band will release their sixth album on Sept. 20.

lighter pop fare that characterized Jamiroquai's earlier albums, replaced with a relentless, darker sound that explores new avenues in the band's musical possibilities.

The next track, given the same name as the album, is a traditional dance club number filled with repetitious choruses begging to be shouted out loud. Again, the darker, more explicit lyrics make appearances in highlights like "Black Devil Car" and "Electric Mistress," which again call attention to the hyperactive musical arrangements Jamiroquai prefers.

However, the highlight of the album is the fantastic "Seven Days In Sunny June," a dynamic ballad that is masterfully crafted and filled with sad, intriguing lyrics that reveal what the entire album really is about: a single

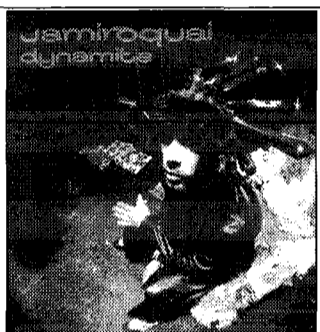
guy looking for love in all the wrong places. Tracks like "Feels Just Like It Should" and "Black Devil Car" deal with the sexual aspects of the lifestyle, while "Seven Days In Sunny June" deals with the emotional aspect, as Jay Kay croons, "I've wanted you so long / Why'd you have to drop that bomb on me / You said we've been friends too long."

There is something blatantly honest about the lyrics in "Dynamite," even when they seem to move from one end of the spectrum to the other. The album exudes the feeling of a group that really wants to make good music, and the result is an exciting new album that doesn't disappoint.

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Dynamite
Jamiroquai

Sony



Recommended tracks: 'Seven Days in Sunny June,' 'Black Devil Car' and 'Electric Mistress'

Hold Steady's creativity shines in latest effort

By JOE LATTAL
Scene Critic

After the release of "Separation Sunday" last spring, The Hold Steady became the kings of low and medium market media.

The band received a "best new music" tag from the influential Pitchfork Media, as well as an interview. They performed on "Last Call with Carson Daly." In Target's latest ad campaign, a series of online videos called "Odds Against Seven," college freshmen drive across state lines to see The Hold Steady play live.

However, none of the hype matters if you can't get used to frontman Craig Finn's hard-hitting yet rangeless voice. His half speaking, half singing delivery is a "love-it-or-hate-it" stain on the New York by-way-of Minneapolis band's debut. It takes time to get used to Finn's voice, or at least time to tune

it out. Though, the man can write good poetry. His he-said-she-said lyrics dress up an album driven by an over-used narrative — traveling around the country and watching stuff happen.

Here's the good news. "Separation Sunday" has some of the most fun guitar riffs from the last year. The music recalls themes from nearly every era of rock, with distortion, Hammond organ and piano. Each song appeals to large audiences — upbeat, but not heavy enough to offend anyone. None of the songs drag, and there is enough variety between each song to keep the story interesting. (Which is good because Finn's voice never changes.)

An a cappella opening of "Hornets! Hornets!" starts off the album before exploding into a guitar-driven verse about bitter post-breakup thoughts: "She said I won't be much for conversation ... I kinda dig these awkward silences."

The track, "Cattle and Creeping Things," makes it apparent that this is really how Finn sings. It wasn't just one song. Finn refuses to be distracted by the triumphant and hectic chord changes of the chorus, always maintaining his storytelling tone.

"Your Little Hoodrat Friend" is the strongest song on the



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The Hold Steady, an indie rock band out of New York City, released its second full-length album, "Separation Sunday," in May of 2005.

album and also the choice for the band's performance on Carson Daly's show. It is the best song because of the likeable, brief, palm-muted measures in the chorus immediately after the simple chord progressions. It is the strongest because it's the closest Finn comes to actually singing a tune.

"Stevie Nix" and "Chicago Seemed Tired Last Night" are other highlights on the album. Both bank on the latest trend in indie rock — songs about songs. Each works better than the Statistics' "Final Broadcast" or Trail of Dead's "Worlds Apart." The Hold

Steady comes off more sincere and Finn's storytelling delivery makes each track more interesting.

Not many bands sound like The Hold Steady, and it's probably because they don't really want to sound like them. The description of the band is simple — a singer who tells stories over rock music.

But their creative geniuses were aiming in that direction. They remain the one band people can be certain aren't lip-synching on stage.

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Separation Sunday

The Hold Steady

French Kiss



Recommended tracks: 'Hornets! Hornets!,' 'Cattle and Creeping Things' and 'Stevie Nix'

CD REVIEW

Bigger label gives Death Cab room to grow

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Brian: It must be tough to be Death Cab for Cutie. Appearances on "The O.C." and the runaway success of bandleader Ben Gibbard's side-project The Postal Service have made Death Cab's latest, "Plans," the other hotly-awaited pop/rock release of the year (the first being Coldplay's latest).

Death Cab never sounded like a band intended for superstardom, so the band's hesitancy is understandable, but a little disappointing nonetheless. "Plans" is evidence of a band in transition, making the jump almost, nearly seamlessly to the major label but tripping just slightly on the landing. In effect, it is the sound of a band that, for the first time, sounds a little unsure of its direction.

Accordingly, Death Cab's latest isn't "Transatlanticism," (their last album and their best thus far) nor is it The Postal Service's "Give Up." Instead, the band tries to progress forward within the confines of its sound, which works in some cases but not in others. It doesn't have the immediacy of either of the two aforementioned albums, but it does have a warm and inviting sound that suits Gibbard's starry-eyed romanticism.

If anything, Death Cab sounds more understated than ever, which is apparent from the outset. "Marching Bands of Manhattan," the opening salvo, is as quietly agreeable as "The New Year" was bombastic on "Transatlanticism."

Thankfully, the production doesn't mute everything into obscurity, as the songs delineate themselves quite clearly. This clarity is welcome and even necessary, as there are certainly some fantastic songs on "Plans." Among the best are the pseudo-epic "Different Names for the Same Thing," the lovely and understated "I Will Follow You Into the Dark" and especially the staggering "What Sarah Said," undoubtedly the album's masterpiece.

Like most Death Cab albums (and also, incidentally, symptomatic of U2 albums), "Plans" runs a little too long, and the overall quality starts to dip towards the end.

Gibbard's lyrics are better, though they still tend toward mawkishness at times and incomprehensibility at others. Gibbard's dreamy idealism — a heady mixture of universality and oft-bizarre specificity — could be considered embarrassing, but his honest delivery and overall earnestness keep "Plans" afloat. Like Pavement's Stephen Malkmus, Gibbard is best in sound bytes, as he's capable of a killer line or two, even when spinning dangerously close to cliché: "I'm a war of head verses heart and it's always this way / My head is weak and my heart always

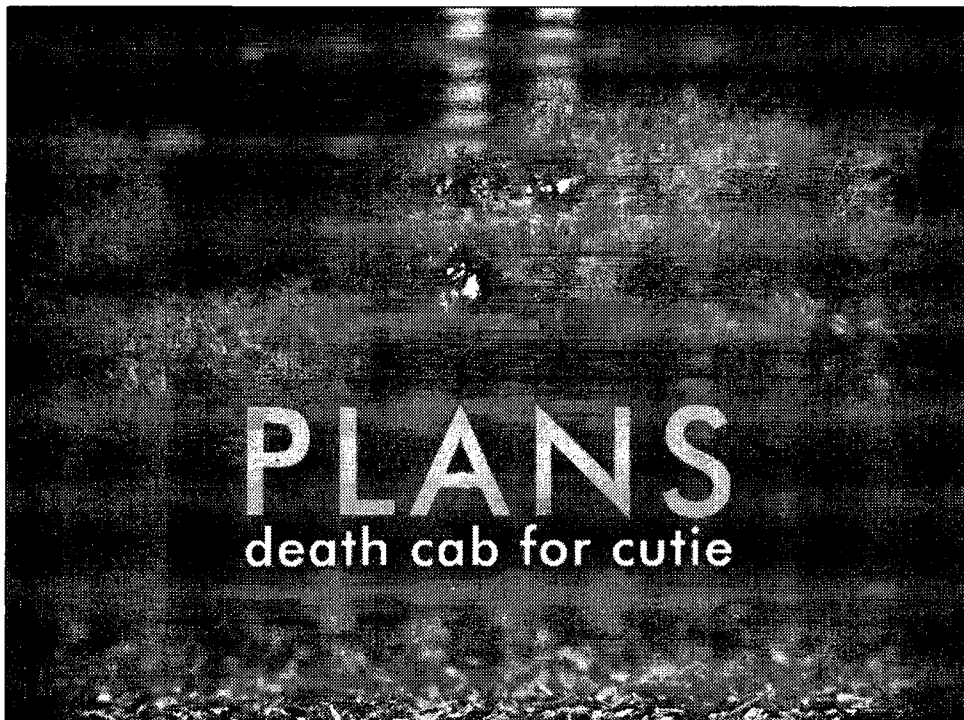


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Death Cab for Cutie's latest album, "Plans," was released on Aug. 30 under Atlantic Records, a different record label from their previous CDs.

speaks before I know what it will say," he sings on "Crooked Teeth," the most straight-ahead song on the entire album.

Additionally, several tracks take cues from the title track on "Transatlanticism," in which a single lyrical phrase gets the Philip Glass treatment, to great effect: "Your love is gonna drown," Gibbard intones repeatedly on "Marching Bands of Manhattan," while the droning repetitiveness on "Different Names for the Same Thing" is more agreeably melodic than merely ingratiating.

"Plans" is ultimately an album of modest pleasures. There's nothing as bracingly catchy as "The Sound of Settling," nor is there a lighter-waving anthem like "Transatlanticism," but the album holds together as well as anything Death Cab has ever cut. It is the sound of a band in transition, and while the transition sounds interesting and pleasant, it's not quite the bold leap forward that might've been hoped for. Death Cab for Cutie has always been a good band and "Transatlanticism" indicated that they might be a great band. "Plans" isn't quite the fulfillment of that promise, but it's a solid set of songs that will appeal to longtime fans and new listeners alike.

Molly: The independent music scene is a difficult place for bands, and sometimes

when you succeed, you fail. Small bands usually accumulate fans on their way up, and some of the luckier groups must decide if they want to stay true to their roots and remain independent or sell out and sign with a bigger record label.

The album "Plans" marks this crossroad for the band Death Cab for Cutie. They stand on the brink of commercial success with their new album, but they are also leaving the small label and the small underground scene where they were first embraced. The album is the group's first departure from the Seattle-based label Barsuk Records and their first album for the much larger Atlantic Records.

Plans



Artist: Death Cab for Cutie

Record label: Atlantic/Wea

Release date: Aug. 30

Recommended tracks: 'I Will Follow You into the Dark,' 'Marching Bands of Manhattan' and 'What Sarah Said'

Death Cab, from a small college town in Washington State, gained a loyal following over the course of five albums and little commercial success. This all changed with the release of 2003's "Transatlanticism," which found a more mainstream audience.

The fact that the television show "The O.C." embraced the band and mentioned them constantly introduced the group to a new, wider audience. The band performed on "The O.C." during the second season and songs like "Lack of Color" were featured during prominent and

emotional scenes on the show.

Ben Gibbard's role as part of the emo/techno blend The Postal Service and the success of their album, "Give Up," also created a greater awareness of Death Cab for Cutie in the musical community. The group's song "Such Great Heights," was covered by Iron and Wine for the soundtrack to the film "Garden State."

While the band's image and direction are changing, the songs on "Plans" are still up to the caliber of the bands prior albums. The band continues to stay true to its emo roots with contemplative lyrics about love, death and the afterlife. The tone of the album is more upbeat than some of the band's other efforts, and the songs sound much more polished and put together, which speaks to the experience of the band.

The stand-out track on "Plans" is "I Will Follow You into the Dark," a simple but potent ballad about love that transcends the boundaries of life. There are images of heaven, hell, nuns and lyrics like, "If there's no one beside you when you when your soul embarks / I will follow you into the dark." The powerful effect of singer Ben Gibbard's boyish voice coupled with the lone guitar on the track makes it simple but immensely powerful.

Other great songs on the album include "Marching Bands of Manhattan," a warm, soaring song about trying to live in the moment and not being entirely successful. "Different Names for the Same Thing," a piano-driven song that is about traveling in a foreign country and being frustrated by the language barrier is another song that sticks in your head.

"Brothers on a Hotel Bed" is notable because it originated from Chris Walla, which is the first song the band has ever had the came from someone other than lead singer Gibbard, and it deals with the themes of love and growing older.

Death Cab is known for its dark and sometimes depressing lyrics as well as arrangements. Their latest album still has lyrics that will bring tears to your eyes, but the arrangements are filled out and give the album a greater sense of warmth and of hope and revealing the band's new maturity.

"Plans" is ultimately a meditation on dealing with aging and about the potential that love can die at any time. The band's audience is growing and expanding to include a more diverse fan base. If they continue to achieve the same musical and emotional quality that "Plans" manages to reach, they will not only find success with their loyal fans, but with people who appreciate good music everywhere.

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The band members of the indie-rock band Death Cab for Cutie include, from left to right, Chris Walla, Jason McGerr, Ben Gibbard and Nick Harmer.



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Death Cab began as a solo project for lead singer Ben Gibbard, left center, in 1997. Since then, they have enjoyed both critical and commercial success.

MLB — AMERICAN LEAGUE

Giambi slugs homer in eighth to beat D-Rays

Yankees keep lead in AL wild card after win over Tampa Bay

Associated Press

NEW YORK - Jason Giambi and the New York Yankees certainly never figured it would be such a relief to beat Tampa Bay.

Giambi hit a go-ahead, two-run homer with two outs in the eighth inning, and New York rallied past the Devil Rays 5-4 Wednesday night for a much-needed victory against a surprising nemesis.

"I love being in that spot, and it's great to come through," Giambi said. "Hopefully, this will get us going and get us on a little bit of a tear."

Hideki Matsui hit his 400th professional homer and drove in three runs for the Yankees, who fell behind 4-0 in the first inning and lost slugger Gary Sheffield to a tight hamstring.

But New York fought back and improved to 5-10 against last-place Tampa Bay this year after beginning the season 80-31 against the low-budget Devil Rays, who began play in 1998.

Knocked out of his previous outing when he was hit in the collarbone by a line drive, Jaret Wright settled down after a shaky start.

"That's the most important thing. He didn't lose his composure," manager Joe Torre said.

Tanyon Sturtze (5-3) worked 1 1-3 scoreless innings for the win, and Mariano Rivera pitched a perfect ninth for his 36th save in 40 tries. The Yankees remained four games behind first-place Boston in the AL East and a half-game ahead of Cleveland in the wild-card race.

With Tampa Bay ahead 4-3, Joe Borowski (1-3) retired his first two batters in the eighth before Alex Rodriguez reached out and punched a single to center. Giambi then drove an 0-1 pitch down the right-field line for his 27th homer.

"It was a slider that didn't slide. It stayed right there on the inner half. It was a nice pitch to hit," Borowski said. "I tried to blow it foul, but it stayed true right down the line."

Playing from behind and pressing at the plate, the Yankees wasted a couple of scoring opportunities and appeared headed to another puzzling loss.

Down by one, they loaded the bases with one out in the seventh, and an angry Lou Piniella dispatched Devil Rays pitching coach Chuck Hernandez to pull reliever Trever Miller.

Boston 6, Los Angeles 3

BOSTON — The Boston Red Sox are getting what they need from their starting pitchers: long outings and strong performances.

Bronson Arroyo became the fourth Boston pitcher in five games to pitch at least eight innings, and the Red Sox overcame a three-run deficit with the help of David Ortiz's two-run single to beat the Los Angeles Angels Wednesday night.

"You go eight innings, you are doing something really well," manager Terry Francona said.

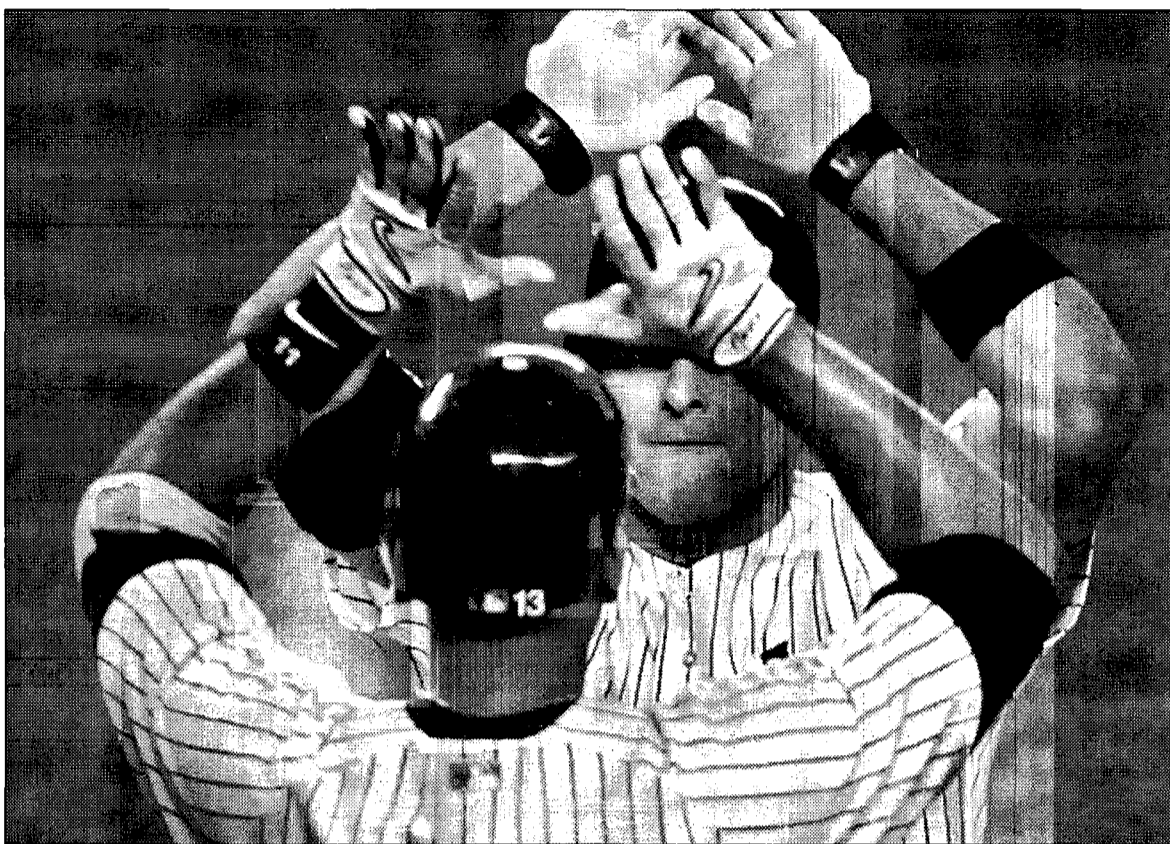
During Boston's last five games, Arroyo and Matt Clement each went eight innings, and David Wells and Tim Wakefield pitched complete games.

Curt Schilling was the only member of the current rotation to fall short of eight innings in his last start, but showed improvement in working 6 1-3 innings in Monday's 5-3 loss to the Chicago White Sox.

"You kind of feed off each other," said Arroyo (12-9). "You're thinking about Wakefield going nine last night. ... I'm sitting down on the bench thinking the same thing, trying to get deep in the game."

Mike Timlin got three outs for his seventh save, but a rotation battered by injuries to Schilling and Wade Miller and inconsistency earlier in the season is just where Francona wants it with 24 games left. Boston maintained its four-game lead over the New York Yankees in the AL East.

"Obviously, early in April we didn't let pitchers go as deep into games, Francona said. "We don't want them to get into the dog days of September and have them dragging. So we really try to monitor them closely."



Alex Rodriguez congratulates Jason Giambi after his eighth inning home run Wednesday. The two run shot put the Yankees up 5-4, after New York had fallen behind 4-0 in the first inning.

Ervin Santana (8-7) gave up all six of Boston's runs.

Oakland 8, Seattle 7

OAKLAND, Calif. — Nick Swisher planned on having an easy afternoon Wednesday after Oakland manager Ken Macha told him he had the day off.

"I was going to use it to get my head right, and the next thing you know I'm up there hitting," he said.

Swisher walked with the bases loaded to force in the final run as the Athletics overcame a four-run ninth-inning deficit in a win for the first time in 48 years, beating the Seattle Mariners.

"The way things have been going, to pull off a win like this gives us momentum and confidence," Swisher said. "The way it happened was cool."

Mark Kotsay and Eric Chavez hit two-run doubles before Swisher's walk. The last time the Athletics came back from four runs down in the ninth to win was in a doubleheader opener on July 4, 1957, when the Kansas City A's beat the

Chicago White Sox 5-4, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

"That shows you right there how big a win this was," A's closer Huston Street said. "In order to score five runs you have to do a lot of things and get a little lucky. It was unbelievable. You saw everybody coming through."

Seattle led 5-0 after three innings and was on the verge of sweeping its first series at Oakland since April 2001 before the comeback against Eddie Guardado (1-2), who blew a save for the third time in 34 chances, and Jeff Nelson, who walked Swisher on a 3-2 pitch.

Minnesota 8, Texas 6

MINNEAPOLIS — The Minnesota Twins came back from a five-run deficit for the second straight day. This time they won.

Minnesota took advantage of a throwing error by pitcher Doug Brocail on a bunt to score two runs in the sixth inning, beating the Rangers Wednesday.

Mike Redmond and Luis

Rodriguez drove in two runs each for the Twins, who trailed 5-0 in the second inning for the second game in a row. On Tuesday, they took a one-run lead into the ninth before losing to the Rangers 10-7.

Brad Radke became the second straight Twins starter to last just two innings, following Kyle Lohse. Radke allowed five runs and eight hits.

Joe Mays, J.C. Romero, Juan Rincon and Joe Nathan combined for seven innings of one-run, five-hit relief. Mays pitched 3 2-3 scoreless innings, his longest stint since he was removed from the starting rotation late last month.

Romero (4-3) got three outs, and Nathan pitched the ninth for his 36th save in 41 chances. Nathan allowed Hank Blalock's two-out single and Alfonso Soriano's double before striking out Kevin Mench.

Minnesota, which avoided getting swept in the three-game series, began the day 5 1/2 games back in the AL wild-card race.

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City agrees to Colts' new stadium in '08

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Colts and the state board overseeing construction of a new downtown stadium have reached an agreement clearing the way for work to start on the \$500 million project, a state senator said Wednesday.

The deal is expected to be formally announced Thursday by the Indiana Stadium and Convention Center Building Authority, said Senate Tax Committee Chairman Luke Kenley, R-Noblesville.

Kenley said the biggest hurdle in negotiations was a proposed \$3 per ticket tax for Colts games, which is not included in the deal. The ticket tax would have brought in about \$2.5 million, and Kenley said officials wanted to make sure they would have enough money without it to cover expenses.

"The revenue sources have enough of a cushion that they will probably be all right," Kenley said.

Colts spokesman Craig Kelley said he did not immediately know about any plans to announce a stadium deal with the state.

An agreement between the Colts and the state was the last significant step preventing major work from starting on the 63,000-seat retractable-roof stadium, which is slated to be completed before the 2008 NFL season.

Kenley, a nonvoting mem-

ber of the state stadium board, said he believed that the stadium would be finished on time even though continued negotiations prevented the planned Aug. 1 groundbreaking.

The team and the city announced an agreement last week on a new stadium lease that will keep the team in Indianapolis for at least the next 30 years. The state is overseeing construction of the new stadium, but it will be operated by the city.

Demolition work already has started near the RCA Dome to make room for the new stadium.

The state Legislature had authorized the ticket tax, but the Colts argued against it, saying that ticket holders already pay a 5 percent admissions tax, which is going up to 6 percent.

The team will pay \$100 million toward the stadium, with the other 80 percent of the cost coming from restaurant taxes in central Indiana, as well as on hotels and rental cars in Marion County.

Several counties surrounding Indianapolis have approved a new 1 percent food and beverage tax, and Marion County raised its restaurant tax from 1 percent to 2 percent to help finance the project, which also includes expansion of the downtown convention center. The suburban counties will keep half the money raised by the tax with the rest going toward the stadium project.

Moss poses challenge to Pats

Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — The New England Patriots marvel at the talent of Randy Moss. They'll see it up close Thursday night when the receiver who grabs attention as well as passes makes his debut with the Oakland Raiders.

Yet if anyone should know that one star can't win a game by himself it's the Super Bowl champions, who built their success on the team concept.

"We played a team similar to that before in Philadelphia and Terrell Owens is one of those players, dynamic players that can change the game," linebacker Willie McGinest said, "and I don't think one guy can control everybody else."

Owens caught nine passes for 122 yards in the Super Bowl 6 1/2 weeks after ankle surgery, but the Patriots beat the Eagles 24-21 for their third title in four years.

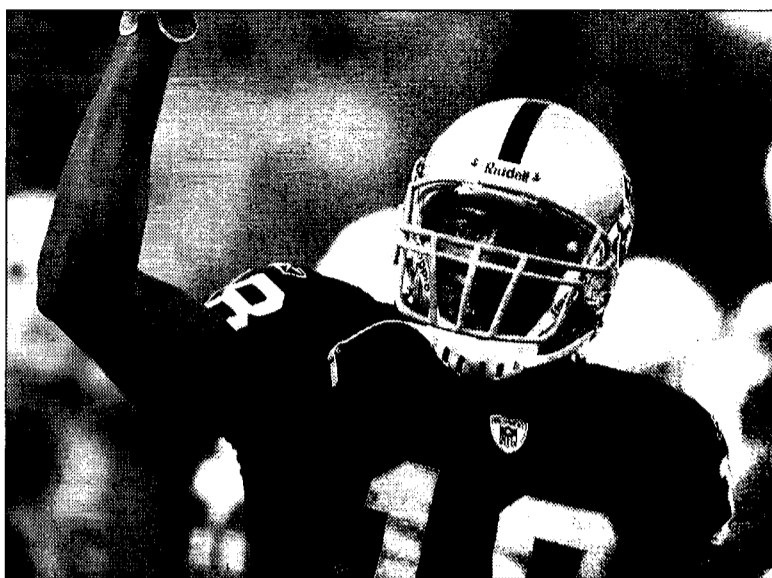
Thursday night's NFL opener begins the Patriots' quest to become the first team to win three consecutive championships.

In March, the Raiders obtained Moss from Minnesota, where he averaged 82 catches for 1,306 yards and 13 touchdowns in seven seasons, although he was slowed by a hamstring injury last year.

His rare combination of speed, jumping ability and excellent hands drew raves from the Patriots.

"He doesn't really have any real weakness," coach Bill Belichick said.

"He's a special player," linebacker Chad Brown said. "He can do things no other player can. I've actually had him come



Randy Moss celebrates during an Aug. 26 preseason game against Arizona. Moss' Raiders take on the Patriots today.

around on a reverse on me. My job is to contain him and it was a little frightening."

The Patriots have managed the past two seasons to handle teams with exceptionally talented individuals. They're 34-4 in that stretch, including 6-0 in the playoffs.

"The type of character we have around here, guys don't quit," McGinest said. "Guys play hard and they look forward to challenges like that."

The Raiders were 5-11 last year and 4-12 in 2003, but made it to the Super Bowl the previous season and lost to Tampa Bay.

Moss is just part of the challenge posed by the Oakland offense. There's also quarterback Kerry Collins' strong arm and running back LaMont Jordan's chance to show he can be a productive starter after four years as Curtis Martin's backup with the New York Jets.

"LaMont's impact could be the key for us," Collins said, "could give us that balance that we lacked to make defenses play us a little more honestly."

That would make the combination of Collins, who has thrown for more than 3,000 yards the past five seasons, and Moss even more dangerous — as long as Moss' tendency to draw attention to himself and his controversial comments and actions don't get in the way.

He said last month he had used marijuana but "it's in the past." He was fined \$10,000 last season for pretending to pull down his pants and moon the crowd in Green Bay during a playoff win by Minnesota. And he was criticized for leaving the field with 2 seconds left in a regular-season loss to Washington.

Collins thinks coming to a new team can be "a rebirth" for Moss.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Texas' Young is early season Heisman hopeful

Longhorns' standout begins year Saturday visiting Ohio State

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — Vince Young calls it the Texas Two-Step.

A quick fake followed by a burst of speed and the Texas quarterback is past a defender and dancing all the way to the end zone.

At 6-foot-5, 233 pounds with 4.4 speed, he's the most dangerous running quarterback in the country. In Texas' 38-37 Rose Bowl win last season, he ripped off dazzling TD runs of 20, 60, 10 and 23 yards, leaving Michigan defenders punching the air in frustration or bent over gasping for breath.

Now a top contender for the Heisman Trophy, Young leads No. 2 Texas back into Big 10 country for Saturday night's matchup with No. 4 Ohio State. The glamour non-conference game of the season is the first meeting of the elite programs and has national title implications just two weeks into the schedule.

"It's going to be a game you'll always remember," Young said. "I sense a great opportunity for our team."

And for himself.

Stoking the flames of this blockbuster matchup, Ohio State players have said they want to knock Young out of the Heisman chase.

"Our goal is when Vince Young leaves here, he won't be a candidate for the Heisman," said Ohio State linebacker Bobby Carpenter.

"I'm not too much getting into the Heisman right now," Young said. "It's all about my teammates right now. Whatever they want to say, let them talk, man."

Young has been talking to his teammates about this game for months. When the players trickled back to campus for summer conditioning, he left them a written message in the locker room: "If you want to beat Ohio State, meet me here every night at 7 p.m."

He is now the undisputed leader of a Texas team searching for its first outright national title since 1969. The Longhorns shared the title in 1970.

"This is Vince's team," said defensive end Tim Crowder.

That's partly because tailback Cedric Benson, the fifth-leading rushing in major college history, is now in the NFL, leaving Young to shoulder the national title hopes.

Young, who was nearly benched after two poor games midway through last season, has embraced his role as leader. He took charge of summer passing drills. This week, he's made the rounds urging teammates to practice hard, pushing them to be perfect.

"I'm the guy, and I'm going to be the leader," Young said. "That's my role."

He's even talked about quarterbacks he thinks weren't up to the job. At the Big 12 media days, he criticized former Oklahoma QB Jason White — the 2003 Heisman Trophy winner — for what he consid-

ered a lack of leadership in the Sooners' loss to Southern California in the national title game this past January.

"As a leader and as a quarterback, you've got to keep everybody in the game," he said. "Jason White should have done more."

He's taken his charge to the coaching staff as well.

Young was part of a group of players who went to coach Mack Brown and urged him to listen to some hip-hop music the players like. Brown says he downloaded the music himself into his iPod digital music player.

"I was telling him sometimes what 50 Cent be saying, it's similar to some of our guys' lives," Young said.

Brown has watched Young mature as a player and a leader, which makes him more comfortable as a coach to let him loose.

"He flipped the switch and took over our team," Brown said. "It's fun to have a mature guy who's not (just) surviving at quarterback. He's getting better every play."

Young rushed for 1,079 yards last season, with 14 touchdowns, to go with 1,849 yards and 12 TDs through the air. In a 60-3 season-opening win over Louisiana-Lafayette, he passed for 173 yards and three TDs and scored another on the ground.

If there's a knock on Young, it's his passing. He threw 11 interceptions last year and his

throwing motion isn't pretty. He throws a soft deep ball, but sometimes gets lazy on the shorter passes, dropping to a sidearm delivery.

Even so, he completed nearly 60 percent of his passes last season and was 13-of-15 in the first half of the season opener. Young bristles at questions about whether he's a "complete" quarterback.

"If you're completing the ball downfield to your receivers, you're a quarterback," Young said.

But defenses fear his legs most.

"Vince Young is definitely the heartbeat of that team," said Ohio State defensive lineman Mike Kudla. "You've definitely got to contain him and

you've almost got to make them one-dimensional and make them throw the ball on every down."

Even when Young drops back to pass, defenses soon realize that forcing him into the pocket and keeping him there can be two different challenges. Even Young's teammates sometimes don't know where he's going.

"There's been a couple of times we got caught standing around and he's still back there running," said tackle Justin Blalock. "It gives us a lot of confidence to know there's a playmaker back there."

"When the chips are down," Blalock said, "he can pull something from nowhere."

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NFL

Browns look to Crennel for leadership, success

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — With a whistle hanging from his sweat-soaked neck, Browns first-year coach Romeo Crennel began his post-practice news conference during training camp with a quick weather report.

"Nice, warm sunny day," he said, smiling. "How's everyone doing?"

Fine, thanks. In July and August, Clevelanders usually feel pretty good about life in northeast Ohio — and the Browns. But in September the climate changes, football season arrives and the wind off Lake Erie offers a chilling reminder of colder, harsher days ahead.

Crennel senses them coming.

Just days before making his NFL head coaching debut after 24 years as an assistant, New England's former defensive coordinator insists he's still enjoying being the man in charge of reviving the Browns.

"Sure, so far," Crennel said. "The honeymoon is still going right now. Ask me in a couple weeks, and the answer may be different."

No doubt. Because 10 years

after former owner Art Modell moved them to Baltimore and six years since their expansion reincarnation, the Browns, once one of the league's giants, are only a few months removed from bottoming out.

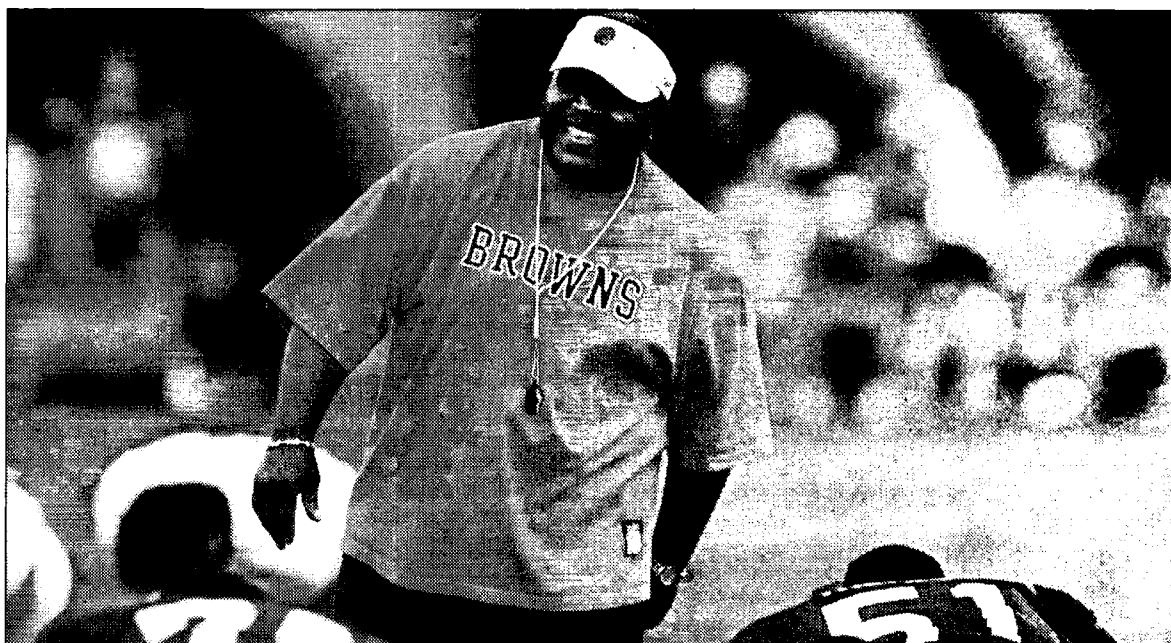
Since 1999, they've lost a league-high 66 regular-season games, changed coaches three times, endured innumerable personnel moves and gutted their front office. There have been costly injuries, blown draft picks and assorted off-the-field disruptions, the latest being Kellen Winslow Jr.'s season-ending motorcycle crash.

To some fans, Cleveland's three years without the Browns were better than the past six watching them.

"It has made me sick," offensive tackle Ryan Tucker said. "Losing stinks worse than anything, man. I'm tired of it."

As was owner Randy Lerner, who along with team president John Collins, hired general manager Phil Savage away from the Ravens, stripped Crennel from the Patriots and changed almost everything about the Browns but their orange helmets.

"In my opinion, there's a lost



Romeo Crennel looks on as the Browns stretch during practice Aug. 22. The ex-New England defensive coordinator will coach his first game Sunday as head coach in Cleveland. AP

generation of Browns fans out there," Savage said. "They haven't enjoyed the feel-good atmosphere of having a quality, winning product. That is really our objective."

Crennel's job is to fix the mess

on the field. He and Savage have overhauled the roster, getting rid of 22 players who made at least one start last season. The club will open 2005 with 26 new faces — 10 rookies.

The coach is new, too. But

Crennel isn't expecting die-hard Cleveland fans to be very patient with him.

"They want to win," the 58-year-old said. "Everyone in the NFL wants to win. Like I told the team, this is a new beginning. If

NFL

Indianapolis' defensive schemes challenge Simon

Ex-Philadelphia star running out of time before start of season

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Colts playbook is as important to Corey Simon as his helmet or pads.

The former Pro Bowl defensive tackle, signed last week after he was released by Philadelphia in a contract dispute, is hurriedly trying to learn the Colts' system, as well as get back into football shape. He went through a couple brief walkthroughs Monday and Wednesday mornings and had

his first full practice with the rest of the team Wednesday afternoon.

He still doesn't know how much playing time he'll see during the opener Sunday night at Baltimore.

"We're going to roll and see what happens," Simon said. "I feel like Superman. I feel like I could go all day. But that's not my deal [to decide]."

Simon was the Eagles' first-round pick and the sixth overall selection in the 2000 draft. In five seasons with Philadelphia, he had 270 tackles and 32 sacks, but he would not sign a one-year franchise tender the Eagles offered him because he wanted a long-term contract.

He skipped all of Philadelphia's minicamps and its training camp and agreed to a five-year deal with the Colts within days after the Eagles released him.

Since then, he's been scrambling to familiarize himself with the Indianapolis defensive schemes.

"I think I'm doing really well," he said. "It's different than I played in Philadelphia, not as much blitzing and things of that sort, so you're able to really pin your ears back and get after

it and not have to worry about anything."

Coach Tony Dungy listed Simon behind starter Larry Tripplett at left tackle and said Simon would probably be on the field for 20 to 30 plays on Sunday.

"I feel like Superman. I feel like I could go all day. But that's not my deal [to decide]."

**Corey Simon
Colts' defensive end**

Dungy said after Wednesday's practice. "He's really learning what we do very quickly. He's a big powerful guy, something we had inside. I think it's going to help us."

Tripplett, a second-round pick in 2002, started every game two years ago, but was a reserve last season. He said he wasn't worried about losing his starting spot again to Simon.

"Just having a player of his capability, I'm excited to be around him," Tripplett said. "I'm taking this as a learning experience. I know he's a good football player and ready to go, so I wouldn't be surprised if we saw a lot of Corey on Sunday."

Quarterback Peyton Manning said Simon's presence on defense will likely help the offense, too.

"Coach's philosophy is to get the best players out there," Manning said. "The more good players we can get on this team, the better we'll be as a team. Corey's a veteran, he's a player who has made big plays in his career, he's used to winning."

The Colts, 0-5 in their first winless preseason since 1990, used few starters in those games. Several players, including center Jeff Saturday, missed the entire preseason with injuries.

"I'm ready to get back," said Saturday, who was sidelined by a hamstring injury. "I probably could have come back a while ago, but it just wasn't quite ready."

Another player expected to return is receiver Brandon Stokley, who missed the preseason with a shoulder injury.

Stokley, one of three Colts receivers with at least 1,000 yards and 10 TD catches last season, returned to practice Monday and expects to play against the Ravens.

"Right now it looks that way," he said. "I'm just waiting for a coach's decision. ... But it's as good a time as ever to try it out. It feels good. It's either going to be healthy or it's not, so it's time to play football."

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| AFC East | | | | |
|-------------|--------|-------|----|-----|
| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
| NY Jets | 3-1 | .750 | 89 | 53 |
| Buffalo | 2-2 | .500 | 63 | 54 |
| New England | 2-2 | .500 | 80 | 80 |
| Miami | 1-4 | .250 | 78 | 105 |

| AFC North | | | | |
|------------|--------|-------|----|----|
| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
| Cleveland | 3-1 | .750 | 74 | 56 |
| Pittsburgh | 3-1 | .750 | 86 | 68 |
| Baltimore | 2-2 | .500 | 64 | 62 |
| Cincinnati | 2-2 | .500 | 92 | 67 |

| AFC South | | | | |
|--------------|--------|-------|----|-----|
| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
| Jacksonville | 2-2 | .500 | 74 | 84 |
| Houston | 1-3 | .250 | 56 | 96 |
| Tennessee | 1-3 | .250 | 71 | 78 |
| Indianapolis | 0-5 | .000 | 72 | 143 |

| AFC West | | | | |
|-------------|--------|-------|-----|-----|
| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
| Denver | 4-0 | .764 | 113 | 80 |
| San Diego | 2-2 | .654 | 87 | 74 |
| Oakland | 1-3 | .543 | 59 | 63 |
| Kansas City | 0-4 | .432 | 73 | 101 |

| NFC East | | | | |
|--------------|--------|-------|----|-----|
| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
| Dallas | 3-1 | .750 | 77 | 52 |
| NY Giants | 3-1 | .750 | 83 | 55 |
| Philadelphia | 2-2 | .500 | 92 | 106 |
| Washington | 1-3 | .250 | 64 | 88 |

| NFC North | | | | |
|-----------|--------|-------|----|----|
| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
| Minnesota | 3-1 | .750 | 90 | 81 |
| Chicago | 3-2 | .600 | 86 | 86 |
| Green Bay | 2-2 | .500 | 41 | 78 |
| Detroit | 1-3 | .250 | 50 | 75 |

| NFC South | | | | |
|-------------|--------|-------|-----|----|
| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
| Atlanta | 4-1 | .800 | 107 | 72 |
| Carolina | 2-2 | .500 | 89 | 78 |
| Tampa Bay | 2-2 | .500 | 89 | 68 |
| New Orleans | 1-3 | .250 | 64 | 95 |

| NFC West | | | | |
|---------------|--------|-------|-----|----|
| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
| Arizona | 3-1 | .750 | 75 | 74 |
| St. Louis | 3-1 | .750 | 102 | 85 |
| San Francisco | 2-2 | .500 | 82 | 80 |
| Seattle | 2-2 | .500 | 88 | 73 |

MIAA Women's Soccer

| Overall Standings | | | | |
|-------------------|--------|--------|----|----|
| team | record | points | GF | GA |
| Calvin | 2-1-0 | 6 | 9 | 3 |
| Hope | 2-1-0 | 6 | 3 | 1 |
| Tri-State | 2-1-0 | 6 | 8 | 6 |
| Alma | 1-0-1 | 4 | 1 | 0 |
| ST. MARYS | 1-2-0 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| Kalamazoo | 0-1-1 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| Adrian | 0-2-0 | 0 | 2 | 10 |
| Albion | 0-2-0 | 0 | 1 | 7 |
| Olivet | 0-3-0 | 0 | 3 | 12 |

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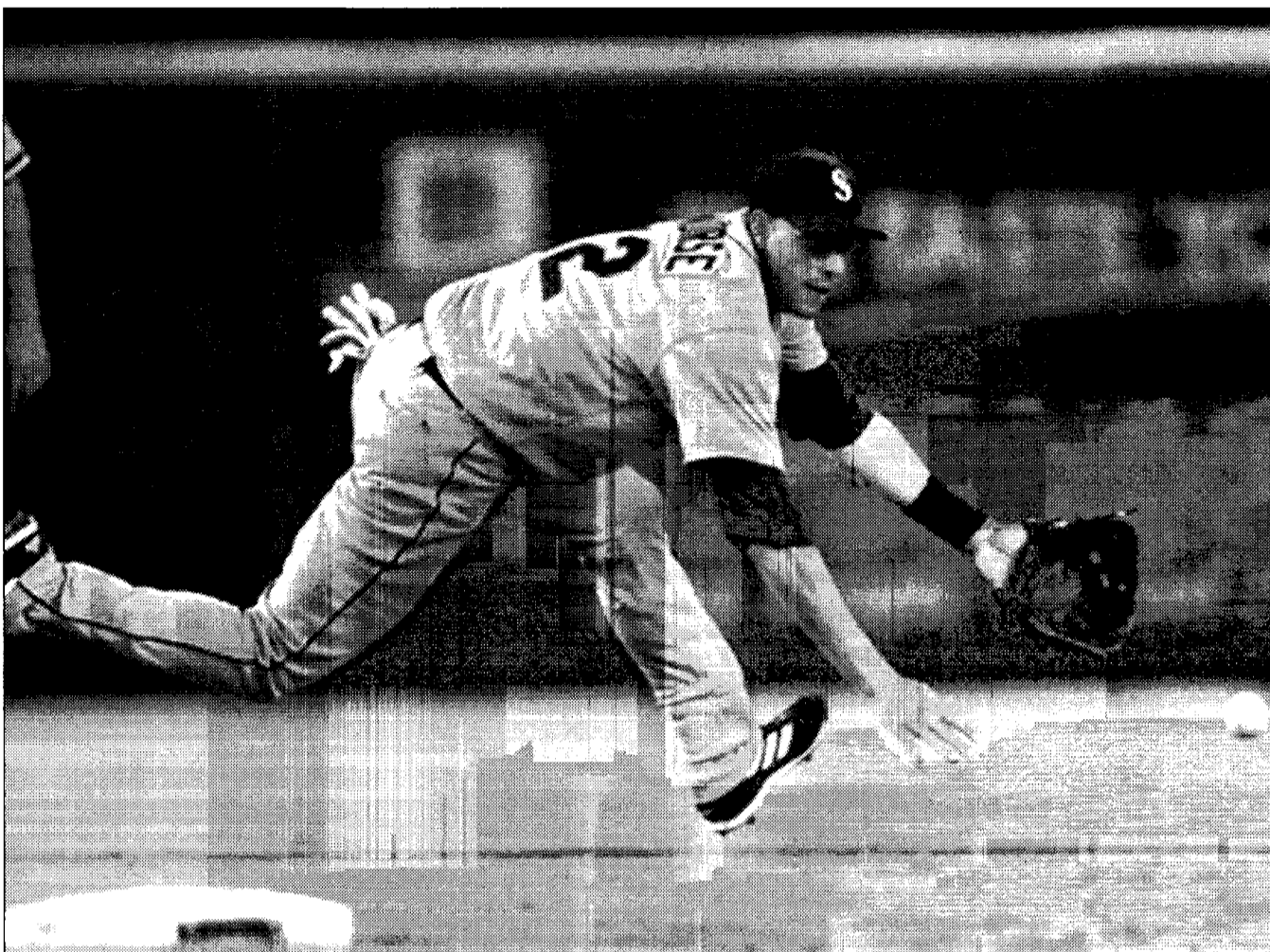
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Mariners' rookie shortstop Mike Morse dives for a ground ball in an Aug. 24 game against the Rangers. Morse was suspended for ten games on Wednesday for violating the leagues' steroid policy.

Mariners' rookie suspended for steroids

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Seattle Mariners rookie Mike Morse was suspended 10 days Wednesday for violating baseball's steroids policy, and said he was still being punished for an "enormous mistake" he made in 2003.

Morse became the ninth major league player penalized under the sport's tougher drug rules.

He hit a go-ahead single in the seventh inning for a 3-2 win over Oakland on Tuesday, and on Wednesday the grievance by the players' association to overturn the suspension

was denied by arbitrator Shyam Das.

"This result is unfair and unfortunate. It punishes Michael Morse again for conduct for which he has already been punished," said Michael Weiner, the union's general counsel.

"The PA does not believe the parties ever intended for the Basic Agreement to compel such a harsh result."

Morse, 23, was batting .287 with three home runs and 23 RBIs in 209 at-bats since being called up from Triple-A earlier this season.

The infielder-outfielder was acquired last season

in the trade that sent pitcher Freddy Garcia to the Chicago White Sox.

"We think you cannot evaluate a program based on the results of a single case, that overall, the rules that we negotiated are designed to be strict but fair with the overall goal being to deter use," said Rob Manfred, executive vice president of labor relations in the commissioner's office. "To the extent that anyone disagrees with the result in a particular case, it might be the result of our desire to deter use."

In a statement before Wednesday's game against

the Athletics, Morse apologized to "the fans, my teammates, the Mariners organization, baseball and to my family," and he offered an explanation.

"Back in November 2003 when I was 21 years old, I made an enormous mistake in my life: I took steroids while in the minor leagues," he said. "My thigh muscle, which I had previously torn, had never healed and I was scared that my career was over. I was desperate and made a terrible mistake which I deeply regret."

"In May 2004, I was punished and suspended, which I deserved."

IN BRIEF

Big 12 coaches satisfied with instant replay

DALLAS — Nebraska coach Bill Callahan was one of the staunchest proponents for instant replay in the Big 12. He still is, even after five plays were reviewed in the Cornhuskers' season opener.

"They were possession calls and boundary calls and things of that nature. I think it was well done," Callahan said. "The calls were well-represented and logically thought out before they pulled the trigger and asked for a replay. What occurred was valid, was logistical."

There were eight Big 12 home games in which instant replay was used for the first time last weekend. There were seven plays reviewed, the five at Nebraska and one each in the Texas and Oklahoma games.

Two calls were overturned in the Cornhuskers' 25-7 victory over Maine on Saturday. An interception by Maine's Daren Stone was called

good after initially ruled an incomplete pass.

Tressel undecided on starting quarterback

COLUMBUS— Sometime before No. 4 Ohio State meets No. 2 Texas on Saturday night, Buckeyes coach Jim Tressel must decide who will be his starting quarterback. A lot of people will be watching closely, reading a lot — maybe too much — into what is behind his decision.

On one hand is Justin Zwick, the steady starter from last week's 34-14 beating of Miami (Ohio), a bright kid who quietly lends direction to the offense.

He's got a good but not great arm and at 6-foot-4 and 225 pounds will never be mistaken for an Olympic sprinter. He is dependable, not spectacular.

On the other is Troy Smith, the star of last year's upset of No. 7 Michigan whose name has been linked to NCAA investigations ever since.

NBA stars to play charity game for Katrina victims

HOUSTON— LeBron James, Kobe Bryant, Dwyane Wade, Kevin Garnett and other NBA stars will play in a game Sunday in Houston to benefit Hurricane Katrina relief efforts.

TNT basketball analyst Kenny Smith organized the game at the Toyota Center. It will start at 5 p.m. EDT and will air on TNT at 11 p.m. EDT.

Organizers said Wednesday that participating players will donate money and supplies valued at more than \$1 million to aid Katrina victims.

Players are scheduled to hand out truckloads of supplies to shelters across the city before the game.

Other players set to play include: Steve Francis, Sam Cassell, Jermaine O'Neal, Ron Artest, Stephon Marbury, Chauncey Billups, Paul Pierce, Lindsey Hunter, Alonzo Mourning and Charles Oakley.

NFL

Robinson receives second chance with Vikings

Ex-Seahawks wideout currently in alcohol treatment after being released by Seattle

Associated Press

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. — Stuck in an alcohol treatment center in South Carolina, Koren Robinson wasn't sure where his life was headed.

Overcome with anxiety, guilt and embarrassment, Robinson tried to figure out how he went from ninth overall draft pick in 2001 to sitting on the brink of career ruin.

Then the phone rang.

Vikings coach Mike Tice was on the other end and, after a few conversations, Tice told the troubled young receiver that he may have a second chance waiting for him in Minnesota when he checked out of rehab.

Suddenly, Robinson had hope.

"To have someone like Coach Tice call you and say they'll give me an opportunity once you get out of there, it's that much better to go in and do what you have to do and get out of there," Robinson, his voice quivering a bit. "It gives you motivation to get everything handled, because you have someone waiting on you when you get out. In any situation, any aspect of your life, to be wanted feels good."

Robinson signed with the Vikings on Tuesday. Now the former North Carolina State star is looking to resurrect a career — and a life — that was overwhelmed by the temptations of pro football during his four years in Seattle.

Robinson pleaded guilty in July to drunken driving and had all but one day of his yearlong sentence suspended. He has a Sept. 14 court date stemming

from the charge, but the Vikings are confident his troubles with alcohol are behind him.

He was cut by the Seahawks, three seasons after showing so much promise when he caught 78 passes for 1,240 yards and five touchdowns.

"I definitely got caught up in the NFL lifestyle," Robinson said. "That didn't get me where I wanted to go, where I wanted to be. I had to do something else, man."

Robinson checked into the treatment facility and spiraled into a pit of self-doubt.

"It was tough," Robinson said, swallowing hard, his eyes welling up with tears. "I was afraid, I was scared. The fear of the uncertainty, not knowing if I was ever going to get the opportunity to play ball again. Knowing that I had to do some things to get myself right, personally, as far as being a better father, a better son, a better brother. I felt like I had to get that right first and foremost before any of the football things."

"I felt like I was embarrassing my family. My parents didn't raise me like that, for the things I was doing. They didn't raise me like that. It was time for a change."

A player with Robinson's speed and talent will always get a second chance. That it came with the Vikings, who dumped Randy Moss in the offseason because they were tired of the distractions he created, came as a mild surprise.

"Koren Robinson is a guy who has such great ability," quarter-



Koren Robinson stretches during an April workout with Seattle. The troubled receiver was picked up by Minnesota after being released earlier this year by the Seahawks.

back Daunte Culpepper said. "His off-the-field things, everybody goes through something to get where they want. We have to welcome him and embrace him and hope that he understands the importance of him being successful and doing the right thing."

Easing the transition will be cornerback Brian Williams, a

close friend of Robinson's from their days at North Carolina State. Williams encouraged Tice to pursue Robinson and vouched for him on a personal level.

Now it's up to Robinson to prove his friend right. Wearing No. 18, Robinson is currently listed as sixth on the depth chart at receiver and Tice said he did not expect him to suit up for at least the first two games.

"We're not going to rush him because I have some pretty good receivers ahead of him right now who are really coming on quite strong," Tice said.

What ultimately convinced the coach to give Robinson another shot was his humble demeanor and willingness to admit he needed help.

"He voluntarily went into rehab and knows that he messed up," Tice said. "You deal with these spoiled athletes and a lot of times even though they've made mistakes and they're caught, they still don't want to admit they need to get some things squared away. I

think this young man has done that. I think he deserves a second chance."

Hearing that, Robinson could only express appreciation and gratitude toward Tice for giving him that chance.

"Being down there in that treatment facility, man, it just made me reflect on everything as far as growing up as a little kid to that point," Robinson said. "I'd been taking a lot of things for granted. I see that. I'm just ready to move forward with my life and my career."

But he knows it will be a long time before anyone lets him forget about his troubles, and before he gets a complete handle on them himself.

For now, he's just happy that some sense of normalcy has returned to a life marked by too many highs and lows for too long.

"Very chaotic," Robinson said, describing these last few months, before pausing to compose himself. "It's been sad, it's had its ups and downs. But I've learned a lot from it."

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USA HOCKEY

Four goalies try out for spot vacated by Richter

Young netminders vie to replace 1996 World Cup MVP

Associated Press

Not since 1994 has a mystery surrounded who would be the United States' top Olympic goalie.

Mike Richter was a given, a true constant for the American team once NHL players starting

filling out Olympic rosters in 1998.

It was a simple choice. He grew up in the USA Hockey program, played in the Olympics as an amateur in 1988 and then won a Stanley Cup with the New York Rangers. He sealed his position as "the guy" with an MVP performance in the 1996 World Cup.

But he couldn't play forever.

Now there isn't a clear choice

for the Turin Games in February.

A young crew of four goalies was invited to this week's Olympic hockey orientation camp and all like their chances.

"These are young kids. This is the foundation," three-time Olympic forward Keith Tkachuk said Wednesday. "You need great goaltending, and that's what we've had over the years with Mike Richter."

Robert Esche of Philadelphia

is 27 and has the most NHL experience. He has played 128 regular-season NHL games and helped the Flyers reach Game 7 of the Eastern Conference finals in 2004.

The other three are 23-year-old Rick DiPietro of the New York Islanders, 29-year-old Ty Conklin of Edmonton, and Buffalo's Ryan Miller, who is only 25.

"There are going to be some tough choices," U.S. general

manager Don Waddell said. "If you watch what we have going on right now with the four guys we have here, three are experienced NHL players and one is on his way to what will be a very bright NHL career."

"The goaltending end of it, where it might have been a question a few years ago, I think is starting to answer itself. I think it will be a strength for us come February."

FAITHPOINT

Thursday, September 8, 2005



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Next time you are at mass on campus and hear beautiful organ or piano playing, it would be worthwhile to look at the face behind the piano because it may very well be **Eleanore Strong**. Eleanore is a senior, Howard Hall resident and organ major who has been very generous with her time and talents since arriving here on Campus. Students at the MBA and Keenan Hall masses have enjoyed Eleanore's expert organ and piano playing since her arrival on campus. Visitors to campus have likewise been treated to Eleanore's musical prowess at the 10:00 am Sunday Basilica Mass where she sings as a member of the Notre Dame Liturgical Choir. Eleanore balances her participation in these multiple liturgies with her commitment to the psychology experiments she runs as a psychology major. In addition to sharing her talents with the wider Notre Dame community, Eleanore takes time out of her everyday life to be an inspiring example of faith to her friends who have found her to be a wonderful person with whom to share their faith journey.

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Catholic Q&A

What are Indulgences?

One of the major complaints of the reformers at the time of the Protestant Reformation was the buying and selling of indulgences by some people within the Catholic Church. So what is the deal with indulgences? Are they still around?

Indulgences are indeed still a part of Catholic Church teaching and relate closely to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Catholic theology on the nature of sin and forgiveness. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* defines an indulgence as "a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven (#1471)." Indulgences are described as either "partial" or "plenary," depending on whether they take away a part or all of this temporal punishment.

In gaining a full understanding of indulgences, one must examine our Christian understanding of sin and its "double consequence." We all know that sin separates us from God. When we receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the priest (representing God and the Church) forgives us of the guilt of our sins. This forgiveness breaks down the barrier between God and humankind, and takes away our "just reward" for sin: eternal punishment. However, as the *Catechism* clarifies, sin also "entails an unhealthy attachment to creatures which must be purified.... This purification frees one from what is called the 'temporal punishment' of sin (#1472)." Temporal punishment can be eliminated through "offering up" the trials and tribulations of earthly life to Christ. Likewise, an indulgence also eliminates some or all of this temporal punishment due for sins.

One receives an indulgence through prayer and works of charity. Indulgences can be received for everything from making religious pilgrimages, to serving the poor, to praying a rosary, if these are done with the intention of receiving an indulgence. Normally, receiving the Sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation, as well as offering prayers for the intentions of the pope, complete the process of obtaining an indulgence.

Of primary importance here is to remember that our God is rich in mercy, and He is not a heavenly accountant. The forgiveness an indulgence obtains still comes from the font of God's endless love and mercy. While some members of the Church tried to profit from the sale of God's mercy, a clearer understanding of sin, indulgences, and God's mercy will hopefully put some of these misunderstandings to rest.

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with a lot of intensity. We made the needed adjustments in the second half.

"In terms of the outcome from a coaching perspective, we had players positionally not in comfortable places."

The Titans put away their third goal to go up 3-0 in the 36th minute. Midfielder Lyndsay O'Brien pocketed a pass from forward Amy Slott past Belles' goaltender Laura Helene.

Mackenzie credited Helene with playing a strong game.

"She made a great effort, handled a lot of shots," Mackenzie said.

Also coming up with strong performances for the Belles were seniors Carrie Orr, Shannon Culbertson and Maura Schoen.

On offense, Carolyn Logan and Lauren Hinton pressured the Wesleyan defense but could not find the back of the net.

The last goal for Wesleyan came near the start of the second half, just past the 50th

minute of play, on an unassisted shot from Caroline Leighton (1 goal, 1 assist).

The Belles had trouble dealing with a quick Titans offense — a team much faster than Saint Mary's customary competition.

"They made it very difficult for us in terms of trying to figure out a way to slow them down a bit," Mackenzie said. "They were a very technical team, they just played a better brand of soccer than we did tonight."

The Belles held the Titans scoreless for the remaining 30 minutes of regulation, making the necessary changes to handle the explosive Titans attackers. This was the last tune-up before the Belles begin MIAA conference play on Saturday against strong rival Hope College. Mackenzie feels her team will come ready to play and start of their season strong.

"We have to take two steps back before we take a step forward," she said. "We will sort it out. We have the ability to be a really good team."

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Brewster

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week.

On Sunday night, Brewster collected a career-high 28 kills, also the second-highest total ever by a Notre Dame middle blocker.

The senior middle blocker has been "unbelievably valuable to the team right now," Brown said. While she had a few lapses in her usually exceptional serving over the weekend, the 6-foot-3 Brewster gained confidence as the matches went along.

Already equipped with outstanding talent and work ethic, she is nearly unstoppable on offense and impassable on defense as matches progress.

Some athletes might tire and fade, but Brewster wants

the ball more.

"I think when it's [the match] on the line, she wants the ball," Brown said. "And she just does smart things. It's her experience, her leadership, the way she's leading by example."

"She was outstanding [last weekend]."

There's not much of a break for Notre Dame — just this week in practice to prepare for another tough tournament.

The Irish will travel to San Antonio this weekend for the University of Texas San Antonio Dome Rally in the Alamodome, the site of this year's

volleyball Final Four. Continuing its already grueling schedule, Notre Dame takes on No. 8 ranked Southern California Friday at 7 p.m., Oklahoma Saturday at 1:30 p.m. and No. 6 ranked Florida Sunday at 11 a.m.

"I think when [the match is] on the line, she wants the ball."

Debbie Brown
Irish head coach

Brewster welcomes the challenge. She sees it as an opportunity, and she has no fear of other American Volleyball Coaches Association Top 25 teams — just respect.

"It is such an opportunity to play a team in the top 25," she said.

Now, the Irish themselves are in the top 25. They entered at No. 19 this week after their successful weekend.

The ranking is their highest since Nov. 2003 when they were No. 17. They are 3-0 for the first time since the 2002 season.

Notre Dame hopes to have sophomore starting outside hitter Ellen Heintzman back by this weekend. She injured her medial collateral ligament in the Michigan match and sat out the Shamrock Invitational.

As a team with momentum, with a national player of the week and a returning starter, the Irish might be the ones to be feared in San Antonio.

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MLB

Matsui slams 400th career home run in win

Yankees slugger hit 332 homers in Japan

Associated Press

Hideki Matsui's milestone made news on two continents.

The New York Yankees outfielder hit his 400th professional home run Wednesday night, connecting in the fourth inning against the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

Matsui's drive to right-center off Doug Waechter gave him 21 home runs this season and 68 since joining the Yankees in 2003. He hit 332 homers for the Yomiuri Giants

of Japan's Central League from 1993-02.

"The feeling itself, it is the same," Matsui said through a translator. "I don't really add the statistics that I had in Japan and the home runs here."

But he did keep the ball as a souvenir.

"To me, it's not that important," he said. "Perhaps my father will be pretty happy if I give it to him."

Waechter retired his first 10 batters before Matsui's homer, his first since Aug. 23 against Toronto's Miguel Batista. But Yankees manager Joe Torre

doesn't think Matsui had been pressing to reach the milestone.

"Knowing him as we do, I doubt that he was goal-oriented there — especially getting up in situations where base hits were so important to us," Torre said. "He's too professional, just too good at what he does."

Matsui also hit a two-run double in the sixth inning,

cutting New York's deficit to 4-3. He finished 2-for-4 with three RBIs, and the Yankees rallied to win 5-4 on Jason Giambi's two-run shot in the eighth.

"The home run was one thing, but to come back with the double the next time, that was the one that got us back to where we felt we could win the game," Torre said.

Nicknamed "Godzilla" in

Japan for his power, Matsui was a three-time Central League home run champion and hit 40 or more three times.

But after hitting a career-high 50 in 2002, he had only 16 homers in his first season in the major leagues.

He has 104 RBIs this year, his sixth straight season with at least 100 going back to his career in Japan.

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PGA TOUR

Canadian Open struggles to attract big names

Woods, Mickelson, others pull out for a variety of reasons

Associated Press

Regardless of what happens the rest of the week, Vijay Singh has already given the Canadian Open a huge lift — just by showing up.

With Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson and other top players packing up the world's third oldest pro tournament, the presence of the defending champion and second-ranked

player in the world is huge.

Singh injured his back a couple of weeks ago playing ping pong with his son and withdrew from last week's Deutsche Bank Championship. Singh's decision to defend his title in the Canadian Open was great news for a tournament short on headliners.

"The back is fine," Singh said Wednesday. "I could have a slight herniated disc, but at my age, the guy says everybody has that."

Tournament officials insist this year's field is just fine, too.

"I'm always disappointed

when Tiger doesn't come, but the field is as good as it's ever been," said Stephen Ross, executive director of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, which runs the tournament.

Maybe so, but Mickelson, Kenny Perry and Davis Love III are among the tour's household names who played the Canadian Open last year at Glen Abbey and aren't here this week. With a few extra spots to work with, 16 Canadian players, including three amateurs, are in the field.

Part of the Canadian Open's problem is that the PGA Tour

schedule puts it right in the middle of a pair of tournaments on the East Coast — the Deutsche Bank Championship in Boston and next week's 84 Lumber event in Pennsylvania. It also didn't help that the Deutsche Bank's final round wasn't played until Monday.

Some players apparently weren't willing to make the long trip west after the extended stay in Boston, then have to travel back across the U.S. to play in Pennsylvania.

"It definitely hurt us," Ross said of the PGA's scheduling.

Even Olin Browne, a journey-

man tour player who scored a rare win at the Deutsche Bank, pulled out.

Stephen Ames, a native of Trinidad who now is a Canadian citizen, said Wednesday the PGA Tour schedule favors tournaments on U.S. soil.

"It feels like we're being kicked back into a secondary category," Ames said. "I wish (PGA Tour commissioner) Tim (Finchem) would look at that. We have so many foreign players now that we should share the wealth rather than just thinking Americans all the time."

TENNIS

Ginepri continues Cinderella U.S. Open run with victory

Unseeded American reaches semifinal with win over Coria

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Robby Ginepri, an unsung, unseeded American toiling hard through the U.S. Open, gutted his way out of trouble and got the gift of Guillermo Coria's 13th and 14th double-faults on the last two points to reach a Grand Slam semifinal for the first time.

Ginepri, a 22-year-old who had never gone beyond the third round of the Open, won his third straight five-setter against a seeded player, 4-6, 6-1, 7-5, 3-6, 7-5, Wednesday and guaranteed that an American will play in the final.

Ginepri's opponent in the semis Saturday will be the winner of the Andre Agassi-James Blake night match.

"The last three matches took so much out of me, I'm just dead right now," Ginepri told the crowd as his family, suffering and celebrating on alternate points, watched from the players' box. His sister, Jenni, took photos as he spoke. "I don't know how I got through that match."

"I don't know what's going on right now. I'm a little foggy, a little dizzy. It's crazy. Crazy!"

Mary Pierce, the 2000 French Open and 1995 Australian winner, advanced to her first U.S. Open semifinals, beating fellow Frenchwoman Amelie Mauresmo 6-4, 6-1. Pierce, seeded 12th, will play Friday against the winner of the Lindsay Davenport-Elena Dementieva match.

"It's amazing," said Pierce, who reached the French Open final in June. "I'm 30, 17th year on the tour, and there's still firsts for me. That's pretty exciting."

Ginepri's victory over the No. 8 Coria, the Argentine who was a French Open finalist last year, took just over three hours and ended with a dramatic series of six match points.

Coria overcame three match

points after a double-fault to love-40 in the 10th game of the final set as the two players, each wearing white caps backward, engaged in long rallies.

Coria was involved in a tempest with Chilean Nicolas Massu in his previous match, but against Ginepri there was nothing but respect. On one point earlier in the fifth set, the players gave each other a high-five at the net when they combined for a particularly thrilling point — a beautifully angled drop shot by Coria, a full-court running scoop by Ginepri feathered barely over the net, and a putaway backhand half-volley winner by Coria.

Now trailing 4-5, Coria saved the second match point with a backhand, and the third with a brazen overhead from the baseline that skipped off the top of the net cord.

He held to 5-5 after one more long rally.

After serving his ninth ace at 124 mph to hold for a 6-5 lead in the fifth set, Ginepri jumped out to his fourth match point at 30-40 on Coria's serve when the wearying

Argentine slapped a forehand just wide. Nervous, Ginepri pulled the front of his yellow shirt up to chomp on it with his teeth, then tried to close out the match.

Instead, he saw Coria save the point with a forehand that Ginepri stretched to reach but netted.

Three points later, Coria mishit a backhand wide to give Ginepri a fifth match point. Coria saved that with a surprising serve and volley. That was all Coria had left. He double-faulted to set up the sixth match point and double-faulted again to lose.

Coria said he had been having problems with the nerve in his right hand and wasn't able to grip the racket hard.

"I was losing feeling on the hand," Coria said in Spanish while motioning with his right pinkie. "It has been happening for four days."

"I had a lot of treatment ...

but during the match, the more I serve, the more it gets tight — the forearm, the shoulder. I knew it could happen. That's just the way it is."

Coria, who missed last year's Open because of a shoulder injury that needed surgery,

said he was worn out by his five-set victory over Massu two days earlier — at 4 hours, 32 minutes the longest match of the tournament.

"It was a tough break that the match with Massu was so long," Coria said. "My whole

body was hurting. It was hard to keep up the same speed I had. But I gave it all — ran, tried hard and gave it all I could. He won because he deserved it. He's been waiting for a moment like this for a long time."

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ence match of the 2005 season.

"One head would go down and then another head would go down," Schroeder-Biek said. "That was contagious unfortunately."

The Belles looked strong at the outset, jumping to an early 4-1 lead in the first game of the match. The Flying Dutch quickly responded, though, with a 9-1 run, forcing Schroeder-Biek to call the first timeout of the evening.

Saint Mary's battled back and cut the Hope lead to 19-16 on a kill-block from freshman Catherine Kurczak. Hope regained control from there, however, and closed out the game with a final score of 30-18.

The second game held more of the same with Hope posting an early 11-5 lead that it would never surrender. Flying Dutch outside attacker Kim Brandes dominated the Belles front line, and Hope easily took the game, 30-21.

Saint Mary's came to life in the third game. Hope again established an early 11-5 lead, but the Belles refused to give up on the match and battled back to tie the game at 14-14. The two teams stayed neck and neck until the Belles finally pulled away in the closing points. Freshman middle blocker Kaela Hellman delivered the final blow for Saint Mary's, ending the game in a 30-27 Belle victory.

The resiliency shown by Saint Mary's in the third game stood out to Schroeder-Biek as the night's one bright spot.

"They showed some spirit

there," the coach said. "They showed some heart, but we needed to do that throughout the match. We had too much of that in spurts."

The Belles could not carry this momentum into the final game, however. An early Saint Mary's 3-2 lead was quickly washed away by ten consecutive Hope points. Schroeder-Biek eventually called a timeout with her team down 28-14.

The Belles came out of the timeout digging their heels in once again, going on a 5-1 run to bring the score to 29-19. It was too little to late, however, as a kill by Hope's Lindsey Schaap brought the match to a close.

The Flying Dutch attack was orchestrated by junior setter Stephanie Poll, who logged an astounding 42 assists and a match-high 24 digs. Outside hitters Julie Vanderslice and Kim Brandes caused problems for the Belles all night, recording 22 and 11 kills, respectively.

For the Belles, junior Kristen Playko led the way with a team-high 8 kills and 5 digs. Junior Amanda David, who is a setter for the first time in her career, had 21 assists and 16 digs for the Belles.

Saint Mary's next competes in the Wooster College Invitational this Friday and Saturday. Schroeder-Biek hopes that her team can learn from its failures against Hope and enter the tournament with greater confidence and focus.

"Maybe this is a good lesson for us to see that most sports are more mental than physical. We beat ourselves before we walked onto the court," Schroeder-Biek said.

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Rushing

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Irish head coach Charlie Weis said his defense will be prepared not only for a strong running game, but a diverse one, as well.

"[Grady] holds about every Michigan rushing record there is known to mankind," Weis said. "So you can't just be concerned with just one guy. They could run the ball inside. They could run the ball outside. They could run with speed."

Weis is not far off in his description of Grady, who holds the Michigan high school state records for carries (1,154), rushing yards (8,431), touchdowns (151), scoring (924) and consecutive 100-yard rushing games (24).

When he and Hart are both clicking, that means more opportunity for second-year quarterback Chad Henne to throw the deep ball — something Notre Dame struggled against last season and still appears prone to, as Pittsburgh exposed on its first series last Saturday.

"If we're running the ball well, the safeties have to come up, which open up things for Chad," Hart said.

Minter aims to make Michigan one dimensional in the passing game because he knows when Notre Dame did so last season, the result was an extra stroke in the win column.

As opposed to 2003 in Ann Arbor, when Michigan ran 54 times to its 24 pass attempts, the Irish forced the Wolverines into the air last September — they threw 40 passes and ran the ball 30 times.



Irish linebacker Corey Mays intercepts a pass in practice Aug. 19. Mays will be key in stopping Michigan's running game.

Against Northern Illinois last Saturday, though the Wolverines rolled, their fifth-year senior left tackle Adam Stenavich felt his group turned in a sub-par performance.

"I felt we were just kicking ourselves in the foot a lot," Stenavich said. "When we'd get down there, and then that fourth-and-one we didn't get, that stopped the drive."

"Then we had a fumble on the goal line that stopped another drive. We just can't make those

mistakes this week against Notre Dame. They're going to definitely capitalize more on them."

All aspects of football including preparation, adjustments, coaching, special teams and others will come into play in the heated rivalry Saturday. But the truth, evidenced by recent and all-time history, is simple.

When Michigan runs well, Michigan wins.

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Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

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Annual Drinking Water Quality Report 2004 Consumer Confidence Report

The amendments to the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act require each public water supply to produce a water quality report titled the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). Following is the University's annual report for the 2004 calendar year.

The University's water system is a privately owned public water supply operated by the Utilities Department. The University's system provides water to the University community and the nearby C.S.C. properties. Questions regarding the system or sampling results can be directed to Paul Kempf, Director of Utilities, 102 Facilities Building, Notre Dame, IN 46556, phone 574.631.6594 or Mike McCauslin, Assistant Director, Risk Management and Safety, 636 Grace Hall, Notre Dame, IN 46556, phone 574.631.5037.

There are currently six wells serving the water system, all located on the campus proper. The water is drawn from deep aquifers surrounded by substantial clay barriers that serve to protect the groundwater supply. We do not believe that our source is vulnerable to contamination. We are also taking steps to ensure that our water source does not become contaminated and are in the final stages of a Wellhead Protection Program. This program assists in defining where the water supply comes from and methods to protect the aquifers from potential contamination.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from animal and human activity.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1.800.426.4791) or at the EPA's website at www.epa.gov/safewater.

- Contaminants that might be expected to be in source water (untreated water) include:
- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
 - Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil, pesticides and herbicides.
 - Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production or can come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
 - Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or are the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

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

Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. In general, if you flush your cold tap until the water gets as cold as it is going to get, you will have eliminated the potential metal contamination. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1.800.426.4791) or at the EPA's website at www.epa.gov/safewater.

We have tested for over 150 parameters regulated by the EPA and the State of Indiana. Included in these tests were metals, volatile organics, pesticides, herbicides, synthetic organic chemicals and cyanide.

Water Quality Data

The table below lists the EPA's regulated and unregulated contaminants detected in the University's drinking water. All of the contaminants are below allowable levels.

Not included in the table are the more than 150 other contaminants including pesticides, herbicides, metals, synthetic organic chemicals, volatile organic chemicals and others which were tested and not detected.

Regulated at Point of Entry (Well)

| Substance | Highest Level Detected | EPA's MCL | EPA's MCLG | Range | Source of Contamination |
|---------------------|------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------|--|
| Barium (ppm) | 0.12 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.057 - 0.12 | Erosion of natural deposits |
| Arsenic (ppm) | 0.0025 | 0.01 | 0 | <0.0020 - 0.0025 | Erosion of natural deposits |
| Gross alpha (pCi/L) | 3.8 | 15 | 0 | 1.9 - 3.8 | Naturally occurring |
| Gross beta (pCi/L) | 21.2 | 50 | 0 | 3.2 - 21.2 | Decay of natural and manmade deposits |
| Nitrate (ppm) | 0.72 | 10 | 10 | <0.1 - 0.72 | Runoff from fertilizer, septic tanks, natural deposits |

Unregulated Substances

| Substance | Highest Level Detected | EPA's MCL | EPA's MCLG | Range | Source of Contamination |
|--------------|------------------------|-----------|------------|---------|-----------------------------|
| Sodium (ppm) | 58 | 100 | - | 41 - 58 | Erosion of natural deposits |

Regulated at User Tap

| Substance | Highest Level Detected | EPA's MCL | EPA's MCLG | Range | Source of Contamination |
|--|------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| Copper (ppb) 90 th percentile | 350 | 1300 | 1300 | 5.2 - 350 | Corrosion of plumbing systems |
| Lead (ppb) 90 th percentile | 12 | 15 | 0 | <1.0 - 12 | Corrosion of plumbing systems |

Definitions

MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL). The highest level of a contaminant allowed in drinking water.

MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG). The level of a contaminant at which there is no known or expected health risk.

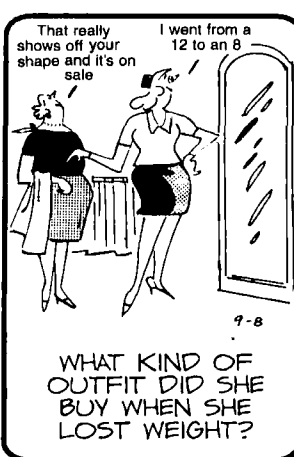
ppm: parts per million.

ppb: parts per billion.

90th Percentile: 90% of the samples were below the number listed.

pCi/L: picocuries per liter.

Since 1993, the University has been granted a Standardized Monitoring Framework (SMF 1), monitoring waiver. Due to the high quality of the water, the monitoring frequencies are significantly reduced.

HENRI ARNOLD
MIKE ARGIRION

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

Print answer here: 

Yesterday's Jumbles: AWOKE DRYLY QUENCH LIZARD
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Birthday Baby: You are sensitive, careful and very intuitive. You have charm and integrity and can always come up with a unique solution. You are gullible and will always give others the benefit of the doubt. You must protect your heart from those who are untrustworthy.

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FOOTBALL

Wolverine rush

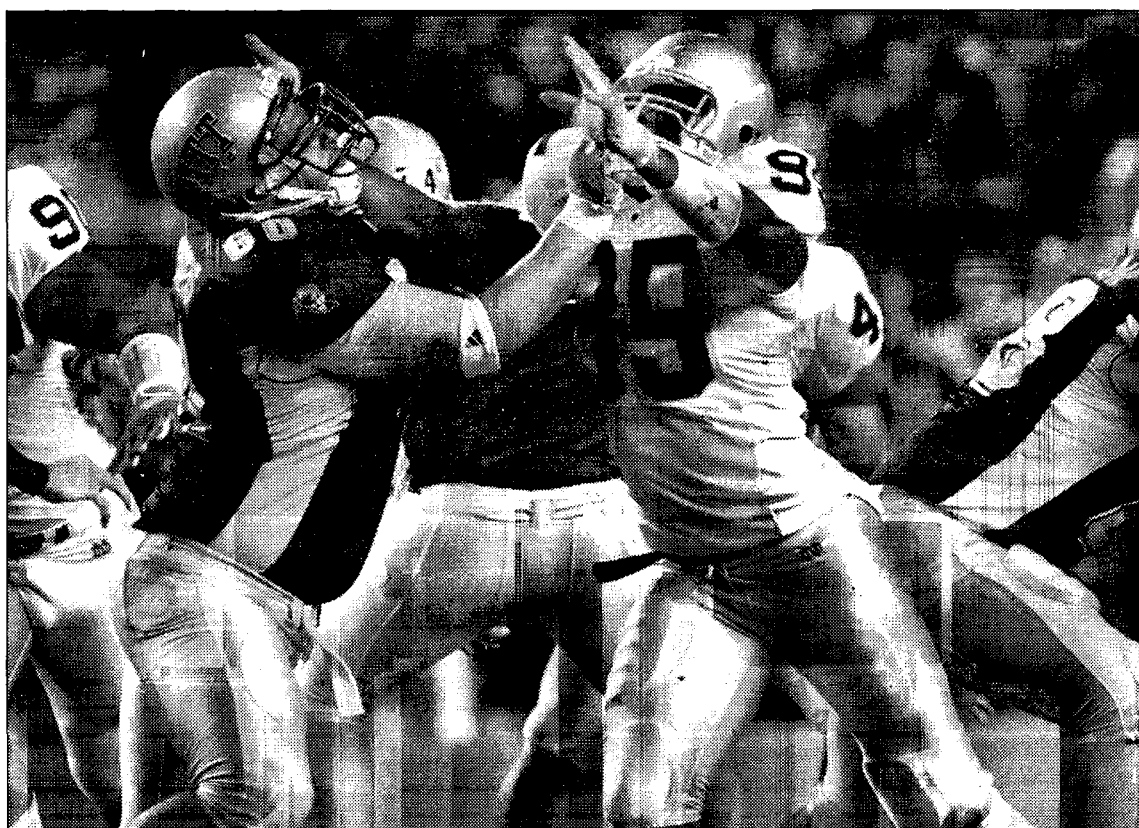
Notre Dame defense aims to keep Michigan offense one-dimensional, preferably off-ground

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

The last time Notre Dame played Michigan in Ann Arbor, the Wolverines ran the ball 54 times. Michigan won the game, 38-0.

It's no secret Michigan coach Lloyd Carr is most comfortable when his team is running the ball efficiently. Even last Saturday, with Michigan up 27-10 at half-time of an eventual 33-17 win over Northern Illinois, sophomore running back Mike Hart had 27 carries for 117 yards and one touchdown. Freshman back Kevin Grady also had nine carries, 42 yards and a touchdown.

"They always had a great offensive line, so in the last 15, 20 years they started recruiting nationwide and the skill has come on board to give them as much speed as most of the marquee teams in the country," Irish defensive coordinator Rick Minter said. "I think it's all about stopping the run."



CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Irish defensive end Victor Abiamiri fights off a block against Pitt Saturday. Abiamiri and fellow linemen Trevor Laws, Derek Landri and Chris Frome will be key against Michigan's running game.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Dutchmen get best of the Belles

Schroeder-Biek says team mental approach was "disappointing"

By KEVIN BRENNAN
Sports Writer

Sometimes your head just isn't in it.

Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said that was exactly the case for the Saint Mary's volleyball team last night at the Angela Athletic Center. Hope College downed the Belles in four quick games: 30-18, 30-21, 27-30, 30-19.

"It's disappointing," Schroeder-Biek said. "We are capable of so much stronger play. We didn't go into this mentally as strong as we needed to."

The coach was upset with the low level of confidence displayed by Saint Mary's in its first confer-

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SMC SOCCER

Shorthanded Belles fall to Illinois Wesleyan

St. Mary's falls 4-0 to defending national champion Wesleyan

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

Normally, dealing with a defending national champion is more work than most teams can handle, but the Belles' soccer team had other factors at play in their 4-0 loss at Illinois Wesleyan on Wednesday night.

Due to personnel issues, Saint Mary's was forced to put players in unfamiliar positions, a recipe that created some distress on the field. The Belles never got a feel for the game and despite strong play all around, fell to the highly-touted Titans.



Mackenzie

"Our kids played hard, but we were missing bodies in the first half that would have really influenced the game," Belles coach Caryn Mackenzie said. "It was just one of those games that we took on the chin, and we will continue to grow and get better."

Three of the Titans' goals came in the first half, a sign that the Belles made on-the-fly adjustments to fight back and take control of the game.

Wesleyan's Katie Kelly opened up the scoring quickly, netting the Titans' first barely into the third minute of the game. Kelly was assisted by Carissa Nemmers on the goal.

Tina Rodriguez followed that up five minutes later with the Titans' second goal, notching the tally on a pass from Caroline Leighton. The Belles would hold back the powerful Wesleyan attack for nearly the rest of the half.

"We played a tremendous second half, had really good energy," Mackenzie said. "We played

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Brewster honored by CVU

Preseason Big East player of the year continues to shine

By TOM DORWART
Sports Writer

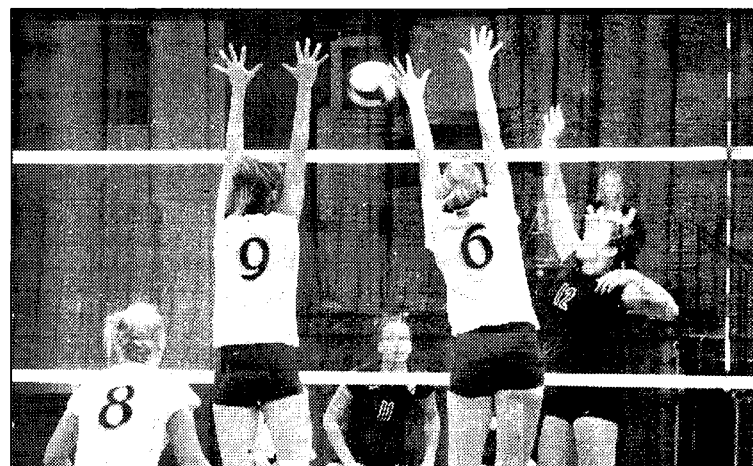
It's coaching instinct. When preseason All-American Lauren Brewster slips up — which is rarely — Debbie Brown almost wants to scold her star player.

But the 15-year Irish head coach thinks twice.

"I think it's interesting because there are so many aspects of the game, and I wouldn't get down on Lauren for anything," Brown said. "But she struggled with her serving. Usually we get a lot of points on her serving."

"Both last [Saturday] night and tonight [Sunday, in the Shamrock Invitational], she started off not serving as well as she could have, but then she finished so strong."

Brewster, the preseason Big East player of the year, had a total of six service errors last



DUSTIN MENNELLA/The Observer

Irish players Lauren Kelbley, No. 9, and Carolyn Cooper block a spike against Arizona Sunday.

weekend against then No. 11 ranked Texas (1-1) and Arizona State (1-4). But she also had 46 kills, a .310 attack percentage, 10 digs and 11 blocks on the weekend, earning tournament MVP honors.

She has led the Irish to a 3-0 start this season including last weekend's sweep of their own invite and a victory over archrival Michigan in the season opener. Her performance landed her in unmatched ter-

ritory for a Notre Dame volleyball player.

On Tuesday, Brewster became the first Irish player ever to be named the CVU.com National Player of the Week by Collegiate Volleyball Update and the second ever to be named national player of the week by any organization. She was also named the Big East Conference's player of the

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

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Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson both will miss the Canadian Open this weekend.

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Tennis

Unseeded American Robby Ginepri advances to the semifinal round of the U.S. Open.

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Olympic Hockey

Three young players vie to replace former goalie Mike Richter on the U.S. Roster for the Turin games.

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Patriots prepare for Raiders, Randy Moss as opener nears.

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Yankees slugger Hideki Matsui hits 400th career home run, counting his totals in Japan and the U.S.

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MLB

Yankees 5 Devil Rays 4

Jason Giambi's eighth inning homer lifts New York over Tampa Bay.

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