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Notre Dame assists as New Orleans tries to rebuild

Alumni network reaches out to graduates affected by Katrina

By KAREN LANGLEY
News Writer

In the days following Hurricane Katrina, Notre Dame alum Paul Christmann, Class of 1989, was plagued by the concerns of any New Orleans resident — specifically his inability to contact any friends from the devastated city. While Christmann and his family had found housing with relatives in Florida, the hasty evacuation of New Orleans left most residents without any way to locate their neighbors and coworkers.

But Christmann, a software developer and president of the Notre Dame club of New Orleans, was able to unite his profession and his passion to come up with a solution — he developed an online alumni bulletin board at www.ndkatrina.com.

"The really popular Web sites were listing hun-



The Notre Dame community has worked to respond to the fallout from Hurricane Katrina.

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Students from southern schools adjust to University, College life

By STEVE KERINS
News Writer

It has been two and a half months since Hurricane Katrina struck New Orleans and surrounding Gulf Coast communities, displacing thousands of students attending colleges and universities in the area.

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's are among hundreds of schools nationwide to allow students from the affected region to take classes on a temporary basis until Gulf Coast universities reopen their doors for the spring semester.

"The decision to help students displaced by Hurricane Katrina grew out of a desire to assist those less fortunate who were impacted by the devastation of this natural disaster," said Daniel Meyer, vice president for enrollment management at Saint

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Alumni residents sell pizza from basement



Sophomore Patrick Leimkuehler, cofounder of Dawg Pizza, prepares a pizza in the basement of Alumni Hall.

By JOE PIARULLI
News Writer

Domino's and Sbarro beware. Thanks to sophomore business major Patrick Leimkuehler, the residents of Alumni Hall no longer need to call local restaurants for a slice of pizza.

Leimkuehler, an Alumni resident, is giving local pizza chains the proverbial run for their money after creating a pizza place in the basement of Alumni, aptly named Dawg Pizza after the dorm's mascot.

Along with two roommates — fellow business major Dan Ott and architecture major Kevin Kelly — Leimkuehler started the business Oct. 8. The three are currently the only employees and are all equal partners.

"I wanted to [start] it last year, and I went to talk to the guy running food sales last year and he just wasn't really enthusiastic

about it," Leimkuehler said.

But the idea didn't die. This year, the plan resurfaced through Alumni's Hall Council, when someone broached food sales as an option for students.

"I said I'd do it because my older brother, who graduated last year, used to work in the Keough kitchen and ... they kind of did the same thing, so that's where I got the idea," Leimkuehler said.

The basement pizza business set up in Alumni parallels those established by many other men's dorms such as Keenan, Dillon, Keough, Zahm, Morrissey, Knott and Siegfried. Carroll, Stanford, Sorin, St. Edward's and Fisher are among those that do not have pizza sales.

Dawg Pizza does not have to pay rent since it also sells dorm merchandise, which helps the business thrive.

But luck played a role, as well.

"We were looking at ovens

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Students to send packages to Iraq

By ALICIA CONLEY
News Writer

Beginning next week, the Notre Dame Accounting Association will be shipping out packages filled with Notre Dame memorabilia and other items — including hot chocolate, Gatorade mix, snack food, DVDs, magazines and soup — to Notre Dame graduates currently serving in the armed forces overseas.

The Accounting Association has been collecting names and addresses of graduates serving overseas since late last week, said junior Rena Zarah, one of the directors of the project.

The association will be sending packages to any address it receives, she said.

"[The Accounting Association] sent out an e-mail to the Notre Dame community saying if you know anyone serving, give us their address and we'll send them a package," Zarah said.

Last year, the association only had 40 requests for packages, but in just five days since announcing the program, 110 names have been submitted, Zarah said.

Many of the addresses the Association has received have come from "brothers or sisters or nieces of people serving, so it's just as if it were from a family member," Zarah

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Students offered safe shuttles by security

By KATIE KOHLER
News Writer

Students at Saint Mary's cross the street to Notre Dame to study, socialize, attend meetings, exercise and eat on a daily basis. And they often rely on the Saint Mary's Security Department to get them home safe and sound.

With days getting shorter and weather getting colder, the 15-minute walk or five-minute bike ride to Notre Dame has become less and less appealing to many

Saint Mary's students. Instead they are choosing more often use the various modes of free transportation offered.

Dave Chapman, director of security at Saint Mary's, said there are three escort services offered to students: the trolley, the escort van and security escorts in squad cars.

"There are always safety issues," Chapman said. "That is why we provide these services. It is a proactive way to prevent something bad from happening

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Saint Mary's student Abigail Richardson rides the trolley from the College to Notre Dame Tuesday.

CHELSEA GULLING/The Observer

INSIDE COLUMN

Turkey Day
at the slots

I don't know if I have ever received a more offensive e-mail in my life — and it was from my Uncle Mark about Thanksgiving.

"Please give me one vote per family of your honest desire for the meal — our house or an early Argosy buffet then back to our house," he wrote. "If there is dissension in your family then the Mother of the house decides. If we have 7 yes's, then we head to the casino. If there is one no, then we go the traditional route and the entire day is at our house."

Lisa Schultz

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I thought it was a joke until several cousins, aunts, and uncles said they would be open to change.

Thanksgiving isn't supposed to change. We play touch football, eat too much turkey and stuffing, watch the Lions and Cowboys and wake my dad up snoring in the third quarter. There are quarks like every family, but when it comes to holidays, the Gates' (my mom's side) Thanksgiving is like a Norman Rockwell painting.

Any thoughts of considering this farce were over once I did about five minutes of research on this Indiana riverboat casino. Eating at a buffet twice a day every day has taught me that mass-produced food just isn't good as a rule, but some of the menu items were ridiculous. I know one of my favorite Thanksgiving sides, cheesy potato casserole with Rice Krispies on top, might be a little non-traditional, but I have serious reservations that Plymouth pilgrims shared Peel-n-Eat shrimp with Pocahontas. Argosy also offers "home made cranberry relish," but I am still wondering whose home it come from.

Ambiance is another issue. I guess the adults' and kids' tables would not only be in separate rooms this year, but in one "six uniquely themed seating areas." After dinner, we could watch football in the adjacent sports bar, but I think my dad would find difficulty napping on a barstool instead of a La-Z-Boy.

Possibilities of ditching my family, and the other weirdos that spend Thanksgiving at a casino, came to mind. I could drive to Lexington instead of Cincinnati to spend the holiday with my buddy working at HoneyBaked Ham — I'll take some ham over fried chicken, which was on the casino menu, any day of the year. My roommates' house was another option; I could meet up with the fam after dinner to gloat about gravy without giblet bits (also on the menu). I was also contemplating maxing out my credit card on a plane ticket to LA to see my sister who can't come home.

But, above all, Thanksgiving is about family. So I threatened my family that I would be doing my best to blend in with the traditional Argosy Casino clientele by purchasing a Nascar T-shirt, wearing bleach blonde mullet wig under a John Deere trucker hat, and borrowing my brother-in-law's Carhartt bibs he wears duck hunting. In addition to my themed ensemble, I'd chain-smoke Marlboros during the main course and Swisher Sweets with dessert.

Thank God my mom vetoed. I really didn't want to endorse Jeff Gordon.

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The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

CORRECTION

Due to a reporting error, an article in the Nov. 8 edition of the Observer said a Campus Life Council resolution created new restrictions on hall dances. In fact, everything mentioned in the resolution is already settled policy; the CLC resolution calls for that settled policy to be added to the Dance Commission Manual. The Observer regrets the error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT KIND OF CAMPUS BUSINESS DO YOU WANT TO START AND WHY?



Andy Hronick
fifth year senior
off-campus

"Maybe some kind of useful service ... like polling students and taking their pictures!"



Kristine Murphy
freshman
McGlinn

"A Chipotle!"



Lisa Furibondo
freshman
McGlinn

"Anchor Bar!"



Bob Brooks
fifth year senior
off-campus

"A risky business."



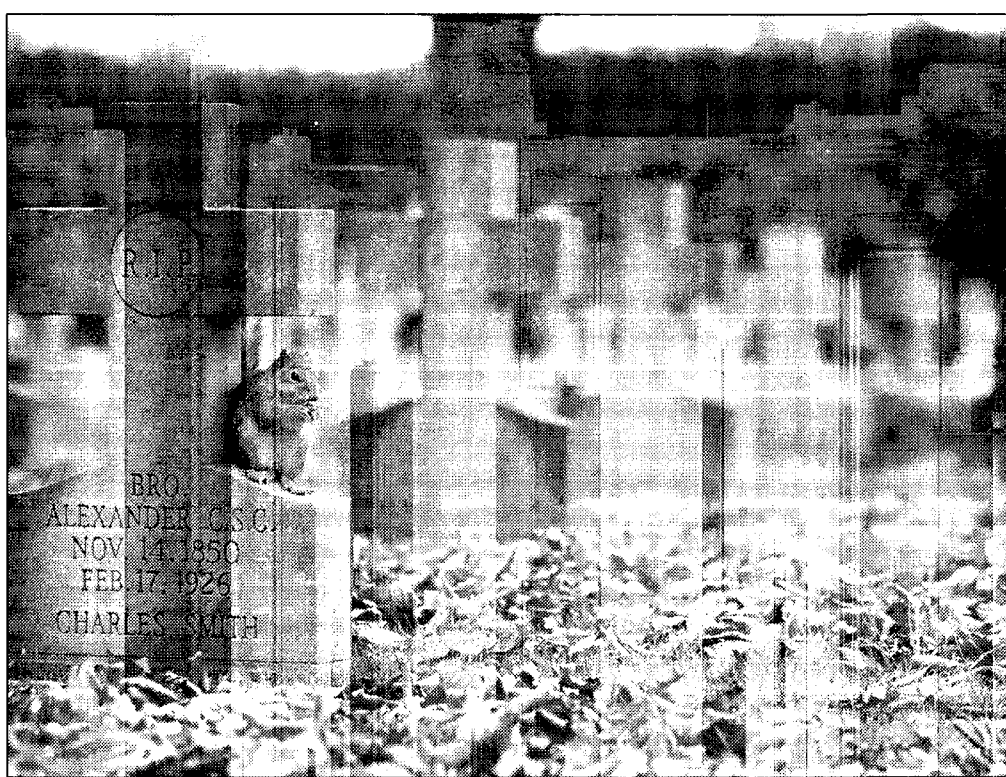
Michelle Furibondo
freshman
McGlinn

"Wegmans ... a.k.a. the best store ever."



Rema Slaieh
fifth year senior
off-campus

"Aristocampo ... in Bond."



GEOFF MATTESON/The Observer

A squirrel takes a quiet snack at Holy Cross Cemetery Tuesday.

OFFBEAT

Bolivians honor skull-toting tradition

LA PAZ, Bolivia — It's a tradition people outside Bolivia might find creepy: families perch human skulls on altars, revering them and asking them for protection and good luck. On Tuesday, the skulls were gussied up and taken to cemeteries, where the families crowned them with flowers and filled their jaws with lit cigarettes.

The chapel in La Paz's main cemetery was filled with hundreds of people jockeying to get their skull, or "natita," in a good position for a special annual Mass. Thousands more people gathered outside.

"I was scared of them at

first, but now I realize I was scared because I wasn't taking care of them," said Shirley Vargas, who brought two skulls, who she calls Vicente and Maria, to the Mass. "Now I keep them in my room with me. I love them a lot, and they have helped our family when we've had problems."

Milton Eyzaguirre, an anthropologist, said Bolivians are now more willing to bring out their skulls than before.

Doubts raised about toilet-seat case

DENVER — A man who sued Home Depot last month claiming a prank left him glued to a toilet seat made a similar allegation about

another restroom more than a year ago, an official told a newspaper.

Bob Dougherty's lawsuit alleges employees at the store ignored his pleas for help on the day before Halloween 2003 because they thought he was kidding.

But Ron Trzepacz, former director of operations for the town of Nederland, where Dougherty lives, told the Rocky Mountain News in Tuesday's editions that Dougherty told him in the summer of 2004 he was glued to a toilet seat in the town's visitor center but pulled himself free.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Michael McConnell of the American Friends Service Committee will speak at 7:30 p.m. tonight at the Center for Social Concerns about his experiences with war and the draft.

Andre Connors, senior curator of the National Hispanic Cultural Center in Albuquerque, N.M., will give a lecture titled "Graphic Text: The Enduring Power of a Well-Designed Message" at 7 p.m. tonight in the Annenberg Auditorium in the Snite Museum.

The Saint Mary's Spanish Club is hosting a salsa night from 8 p.m. to 10 tonight in the Saint Mary's Student Center. Music, dancing and games included.

The Notre Dame volleyball team faces the University of Saint Louis at 7 p.m. tonight in the Joyce Center.

The film "2001: A Space Odyssey" will be shown at 10 p.m. Thursday in Browning Cinema as part of the Physics and Film Series. Tickets are \$6 general public, \$5 faculty/staff, \$4 seniors and \$3 all students. To purchase tickets, call 574-631-2800 or visit <http://performing.arts.nd.edu> to purchase tickets.

Major Jason Frei will be the guest speaker at the Veteran's Day Recognition Ceremony will be held Friday at 4 p.m. at the Clarke Memorial Fountain between LaFortune Student Center and Hesburgh Library.

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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Law creates a new ND retirement option

By SARAH WHEATON
News Writer

Thanks to a new federal law, Notre Dame employees will have a new retirement option available at the start of the new year.

The new accounts — called Roth 401(k) options — differ from the traditional 401(k) accounts by taxing worker's money as they earn it instead of after they withdraw it, Notre Dame assistant professor of economics Jim Sullivan said.

The traditional 401(k) account allows workers to later invest and save their money without taxation. The taxes are charged later, when workers go to withdraw money from their account.

The new Roth 401(k) option would tax workers' money as they earn it, allowing them to withdraw money from their account tax-free later.

The law will go into effect Jan. 1, and most companies will provide the option sometime after then.

The new option will not be best for everyone, specifically taxpayers who are eligible for tax breaks that are based on taxable income, Sullivan said.

"The Roth 401(k) is most likely to be an attractive option for those who expect to be paying a higher tax rate in retirement than they do today," Sullivan said.

This usually refers to younger workers who believe they will have a higher income later than they do now or those who believe the government will raise income tax rates in the future, Sullivan said.

Colette Sgambati, program assistant for research and policy at the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, said the new option is some-

thing she would consider.

"It's good for me, because hopefully I will be making more money in the future," Sgambati said. "I love having it taxed on the way in, then there are no surprises when you withdraw."

Sgambati said she currently contributes to a traditional 401(k) account and a Roth IRA, so she would consider switching to the Roth 401(k) account when it is made available. But she does have reservations.

"The fact that the government passed a law making it an option makes me suspicious," Sgambati said. "It just seems too good to be true. I would have to do my own research on it."

Kamaria Porter, lead organizer of Notre Dame's campus labor action project, stressed the importance of putting the new option in context.

"As a worker told me the other day, benefits don't put food on the table," Porter said. "While people should be able to plan for tomorrow, the needs of today must be addressed with a living wage and voice at work."

The campus labor action project has been working to improve employee benefits.

"I think it's important that employees at Notre Dame maintain and improve their benefits, including retirement plans, but we need to focus on ensuring a living wage and the dignity of the worker," said Katie-Rose Hoover, a member of the campus labor action project.

Joe Murphy, another member of CLAP, agreed people need to put the change in perspective.

"Regardless of when you tax it, there is not enough there," Murphy said. "That is the problem that needs to be addressed, instead of when it is taxed."

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Rebuilding needed after tornado



Vectron Energy employees make repairs at the Eastbrook Mobile Home Park in Evansville, Ind. Tuesday after a tornado ripped through the area Sunday.

Associated Press

EVANSVILLE, Ind. — Crews finished draining a four-acre retention pond Tuesday as they made sure there were no more victims of the huge tornado that killed 22 people over the weekend.

Five bodies initially were found in the pond near the Eastbrook Mobile Home Park, which was torn apart by the twister. Rescuers found no more bodies in the retention pond, and officials said the search there was finished.

Also, President Bush signed a disaster declaration that will clear the way for federal assistance in Vanderburgh and Warrick counties.

"We're focused on getting these people back on their feet," said Eric Dietz, state director of homeland security.

State officials said nearly 600 homes were destroyed or

sustained major damage. Residents likely would not be allowed to return to the area until Wednesday or Thursday.

Gov. Mitch Daniels, who visited damaged areas of Evansville and nearby Newburgh for the second time since the tornado, said allowing residents to gather what remains of their belongings would be the first step in a gradual recovery.

"There will be people here who will be without permanent housing for a good while," Daniels told reporters after touring damaged areas on foot and by helicopter Tuesday.

The tornado carved a path

41 miles long and about a quarter-mile wide. At least 18 people died at the mobile home park, and four others were killed in neighboring Warrick County. Dozens remained hospitalized.

Experts say the tornado was unusually intense and fast. Pushed by a rapid shift in the jet stream, it raced along at 70 to 75 mph and stayed on the ground for about 35 minutes, said David

Blanchard, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Paducah, Ky.

Weather service officials were looking into why some special radios failed to pick up a tornado alert sent 10 minutes before the twister struck.

"We're focused on getting people back on their feet."

Eric Dietz
Indiana director of
homeland security

Notre Dame to host regional research project competition

Special to The Observer

Five individuals and four teams of high school students have been selected to compete Friday and Saturday at Notre Dame in the Midwestern Regional of the Siemens Westinghouse Science and Technology Competition, a leading scholarship and awards program.

The New Jersey-based non-profit Siemens Foundation created the competition to enhance science and mathe-

matics education in America. It is open to individuals and teams of high school students who develop independent research projects in the physical or biological sciences or mathematics. Competitions in six regions across the United States are being held throughout November. Regional scholarship winners advance to the national competition Dec. 1 to Dec. 5 in New York City for a top individual prize of \$100,000. Members of the top winning team will share a

\$100,000 scholarship.

The Siemens Foundation has partnered with six prestigious institutions to assist in judging and hosting the regional competitions throughout the fall: the University of California, Berkeley, and the University of Texas (Nov. 4-5); the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Notre Dame (Nov. 11-12); and Carnegie Mellon University and the Georgia Institute of Technology (Nov. 18-19).

The Midwestern Regional

finalists, whose entries are in mathematics, material science, chemistry, biology, toxicology, biochemistry and physics, will present their independent research projects to a panel of judges composed of Notre Dame faculty. The individual regional winner will receive an award of \$3,000; members of the winning team will share a prize of \$6,000. All regional individual and team runners-up will be awarded \$1,000 scholarships.

All of the prize money will be applied toward the winning students' post-secondary education. Panels of leading scientists and university faculty will serve as judges at the regional and national competitions, under the independent oversight of the College Board and the Educational Testing Service.

The public can view student posters at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 11 in the Great Hall of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

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dreds or thousands of entries," Christmann said. "I thought I could do something similar but for a more targeted group — if I was looking for my ND alumni friends, maybe an ND Web site would be the right place to go."

The site has succeeded in helping people locate one another, giving a place to offer and request help and supplying a way to find alumni in any city.

"Alumni around the country asked me where they could start helping — they were willing to drop whatever they had to show up in our city and start the rebuilding process," Christmann said. "I think this is tied directly to the values that the school espouses, and its Catholic background."

Christmann, who also created a bulletin board for Hurricane Rita, was only one of many Notre Dame alumni who thought of their alma mater in a time of need.

"A lot of alumni, as they fled New Orleans, took two things with them: their class ring and their football tickets for this season," said Sean O'Brien, director of the alumni community service program. "They turned to Notre Dame as their home and came back to the security of the University."

In the wake of Katrina, many alumni strove to serve others and tied this desire to serve back to their time at Notre Dame, O'Brien said.

At least 80 percent of Notre Dame alumni clubs participate in service activities, which should come as no surprise on a campus that encourages service among its students, he said.

The Alumni Association raised \$46,000 for Katrina relief efforts as of Nov. 1, while many alumni around the country have made separate donations through their workplaces or other charities.

In addition, many alumni have come up with ways to directly serve the people of the Gulf Coast.

Chris Bellairs, associate executive director of the Notre Dame alumni association, said it is important to remember that Notre Dame's alumni are united by their experience at Notre Dame.

"The Alumni Association is not just the 30 people in the [Eck Center], it's literally the thousands of alumni who have graduated from Notre Dame," he said.

While the Notre Dame Club of Chicago typically focuses its fundraising efforts on their Scholarship Foundation and Summer Service Projects, members chose to hold a collection during their Michigan State football game watch.

"When Hurricane Katrina hit

and we saw the absolute devastation that it brought, we felt we had to make an exception," said Kristin Leonardo, club manager and a 2000 Notre Dame graduate.

The University is successful at fostering service work among its students and this social consciousness is equally strong among its alumni, Leonardo said.

"The Notre Dame community makes it 'cool' to do service work, whereas other schools are more interested in their fraternities or sororities," Leonardo said. "The University has so many service projects going on around campus, it's almost hard not to get involved in something."

Notre Dame alumni have also been involved in developing ideas for active service work. Catherine Kane, Class of 1992, proposed to the Alumni Association that they could organize school break opportunities for students to work on Gulf Coast relief efforts and damage prevention efforts for future storms.

Kane, who has been active with disaster relief for five years, said that her interest in service is the same as any Notre Dame graduate.

"To paraphrase Luke 12:48, 'To whom much is given, much is expected,'" she said. "I have received tremendous gifts and the opportunity to train in the communications and disaster relief fields. It is difficult to describe how rewarding each day is when that day has a positive impact on even one person."

O'Brien suggested that the trips Kane proposed, which are being considered for the spring or possibly winter break, should focus on the poorest areas.

"New Orleans will rebuild itself, but Biloxi, Mississippi, has so many people who are just the poorest of the poor," O'Brien said. "Even ACE is reevaluating whether to reopen its schools there."

Rob Mastro, Class of 1971, B.A., and 1990, M.A., proposed an idea for a caravan that would originate at five cities and make its way down to New Orleans, carrying alumni and supplies for a service trip. The University vetoed this proposal because of liability issues, a decision that disappointed Mastro.

"With people living on the ground with their lives and houses destroyed, this was not a time to be worrying about liability," he said.

Mastro went ahead and organized a non-Notre Dame sponsored expedition involving 78 volunteers from 11 states. Members of the group stayed in New Orleans for two to three weeks, serving in a variety of volunteer capacities.

Though Notre Dame did not sponsor his trip, Mastro did feel that some of desire to do service

stemmed from his years at the University.

"Social concern is part of the great values of Notre Dame," he said. "It's great to have a fine education, but if you walk out with a diploma and don't do anything that attends to the human condition, you've wasted your time."

One large show of financial aid came from the Notre Dame Club of Orange County, which raised \$10,000 among its membership and prompted two local high schools to raise an additional \$12,000. Of this total, \$10,000 was donated directly to the Notre Dame Club of New Orleans.

"We felt they had the best perspective as to where help was needed," said Tony Roberts, president of the Notre Dame Club of Orange County. "The concept of the 'Notre Dame family' is not just a catchphrase, and we felt that our sister club would know how to use the money to help the most people."

The family of which Roberts spoke did not consist only of alumni, as approximately 50 percent of the Orange County club's members are not Notre Dame graduates. Family remains a term that is frequently used to characterize the Notre Dame community, Roberts said.

"One of the great things about Notre Dame is that students can say, 'When I graduate, there's a family out there for me,'" O'Brien said.

O'Brien suggested that most tales of selfless service will never surface, since few alumni want attention for their post-Katrina efforts.

"Like Notre Dame students, the alumni didn't do service to make a name," O'Brien said. "They do it to make an impact upon people. They just want to get out there and serve others."

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Mary's. "As a Catholic institution, we felt compelled to assist those in need, just as we would hope other[s] would reach out to this community if the circumstances were reversed."

Meyer described the many steps involved in admitting displaced students into Saint Mary's and helping them to adjust upon arrival.

"We checked with the housing

staff to determine where underutilized space existed," he said. "We worked with faculty to determine appropriate courses and avoided those that the time delay since the start of the semester would present insurmountable challenges. We worked closely with the staff from the First Year Studies Office to assist students in proper selection of course work."

Meyer also noted the twofold responsibility that colleges face when accepting displaced students.

He said Saint Mary's would forward fees collected for the semester to the students' home universities. Saint Mary's will also award transfer credit on many courses a student has already taken.

"This allows displaced students to avoid interruptions in the pursuit of their educational objectives," he said.

Julie Prior, a first-year student at Tulane University in New Orleans who is attending Saint Mary's for the fall semes-

ter, reflected on her experiences thus far.

"Things at Saint Mary's and in South Bend have been great," Prior said. "The girls here are really sweet, and I was already familiar with South Bend before I decided to go to Saint Mary's."

"I am from Chicago originally, so South Bend isn't too far from home."

Prior also discussed her academic schedule, noting her professors at Saint Mary's helped her to adjust after beginning classes two weeks later than her classmates. She also said

her coursework at Saint Mary's is structured so she'll be able to resume a normal schedule upon her return to New Orleans in January.

"I was scheduled to take the same basic classes at Tulane, so it fits perfectly with my curriculum from Tulane," she said.

Notre Dame's administration has

not released many details regarding its arrangements to accept displaced students for the fall semester, emphasizing the need to allow these students to feel like a part of the community.

"Everyone has been incredibly generous and responsive [to displaced students at Notre Dame]," Vice President and Associate Provost Jean Ann Linney said. "We have tried to provide as 'normal' an experience as possible, trying to give a visiting student the opportunity to have the same degree of privacy and anonymity that degree-seeking students at Notre Dame enjoy."

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"I was scheduled to take the same basic classes at Tulane, so it fits perfectly with my curriculum from Tulane."

Julie Prior
Tulane University
freshman

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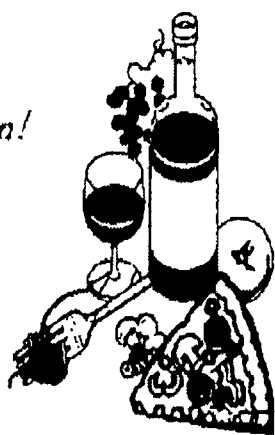
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Second Hussein lawyer assassinated

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Three masked gunmen in a speeding Opel assassinated a second lawyer in the Saddam Hussein trial Tuesday, casting doubt on Iraq's ability to try the case and leading a prominent war crimes prosecutor to urge moving the proceedings to another Arab country.

Adel al-Zubeidi, lawyer for former Vice President Taha Yassin Ramadan, died when bullets were sprayed at his car in a largely Sunni Arab neighborhood of western Baghdad. The shots also wounded Thamir al-Khuzai, attorney for another co-defendant, Saddam's half brother Barazan Ibrahim.

The brazen daylight attack on a major avenue came three weeks after the kidnapping of another defense lawyer, Saadoun al-Janabi. His body was found Oct. 20, one day after the trial's opening session, where he represented Awad al-Bandar, a former official in Saddam's Baath Party.

No group claimed responsibility for the killings. An Iraqi government spokesman pointed to Saddam loyalists for the latest attack, while the dictator's lawyer blamed the Shiite-dominated government.

Six nations gather for nuclear talks

BEIJING — South Korea on Tuesday urged delegates to six-nation talks on North Korea's nuclear disarmament to create an atmosphere of trust as participants geared up for another round of negotiations in Beijing.

Tensions between the United States and North Korea, however, were already building. The communist country criticized President Bush for calling North Korean leader Kim Jong Il a "tyrant," saying the remark put the prospects of the talks in doubt.

NATIONAL NEWS

Board's ruling questions evolution

TOPEKA, Kan. — Revisiting a topic that exposed Kansas to nationwide ridicule six years ago, the state Board of Education approved science standards for public schools Tuesday that cast doubt on the theory of evolution.

The board's 6-4 vote, expected for months, was a victory for intelligent design advocates who helped draft the standards. Intelligent design holds that the universe is so complex that it must have been created by a higher power.

Critics of the proposed language charged that it was an attempt to inject creationism into public schools in violation of the separation between church and state.

Congress investigates secret prisons

WASHINGTON — Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist and House Speaker Dennis Hastert circulated a letter Tuesday calling for a congressional investigation into the disclosure of alleged secret U.S. interrogation centers abroad.

The Washington Post reported Nov. 2 on the existence of secret U.S. prisons in Eastern Europe for terror suspects.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice sidestepped questions on secret prisons Tuesday, saying the United States was in a "different kind of war" and had an obligation to defend itself.

LOCAL NEWS

Counties request time zone change

INDIANAPOLIS — The federal government announced the dates and times of four public hearings it will conduct to gather public input on requests from counties wanting to switch to the Central Time Zone.

The U.S. Department of Transportation, which regulates time zones, recently proposed that five of 19 counties that initially petitioned for a change be moved to Central time. Two counties dropped their petitions before the agency's deadline for requests expired.

Social Security plans delayed

Lawmakers believe system will not be overhauled until Bush's term ends

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It will be 2009, after the next presidential election, before lawmakers seriously consider overhauling Social Security, the chairman of the Senate panel overseeing the program said Tuesday.

Finance Committee Chairman Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, said he's "very pessimistic" that lawmakers can act before the end of President Bush's second term on Social Security ideas that Bush made the centerpiece of this year's legislative agenda.

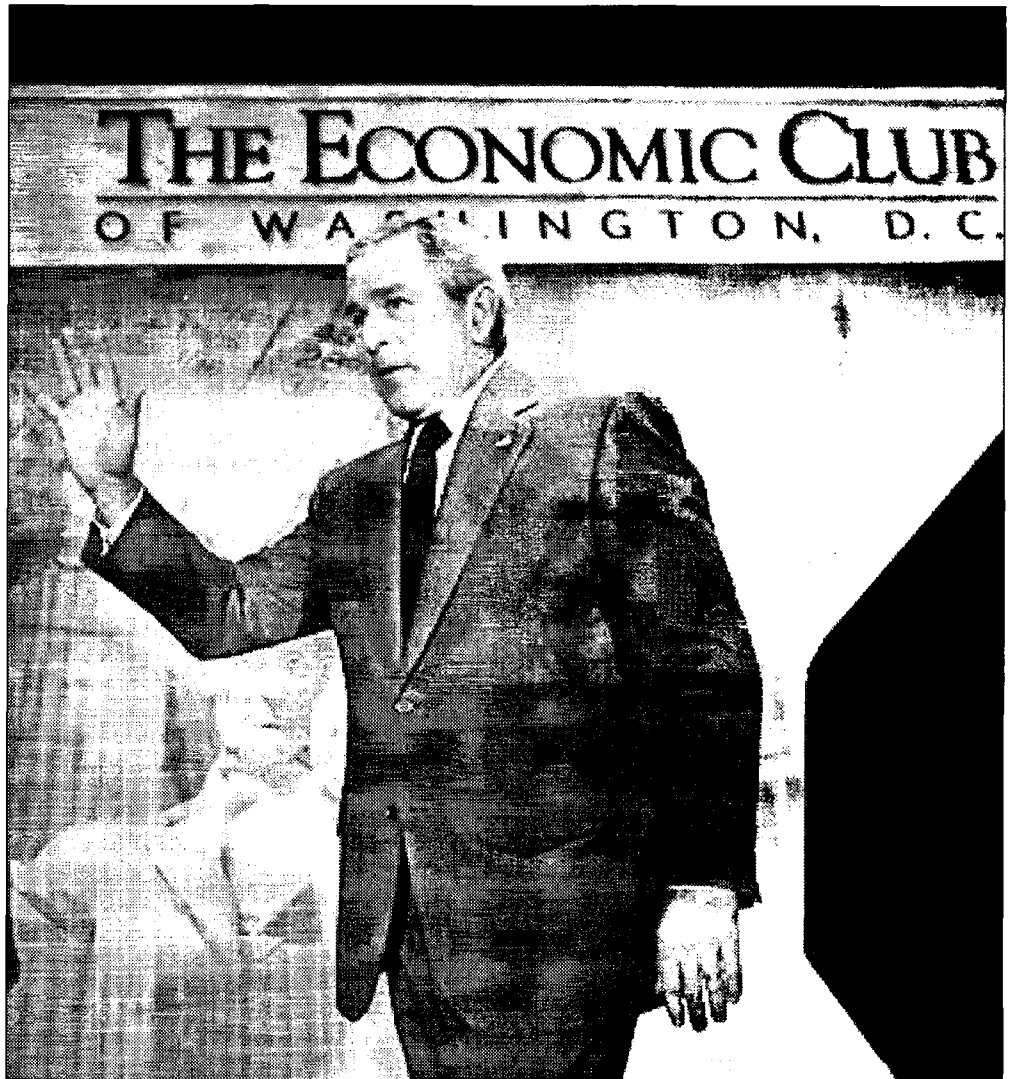
"I'm pessimistic that it could come up before 2009," Grassley told an audience at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. "Doesn't mean that I won't try to bring it up before 2009."

Between now and 2009, the political environment will heat up for midterm congressional elections and then the next presidential election.

Bush acknowledged at a press conference last month that Congress has little appetite for taking on the issue this year, even after he made dozens of speeches nationwide.

"I did make some progress convincing the American people there was a problem," Bush said. "And I'm going to continue talking about the problem because I strongly believe that the role of those of us in Washington, one role is to confront problems."

The need to confront problems with Social Security's long-term finan-



President Bush named social security as an area he planned to reform when he spoke to the Economic Club in Washington on Oct. 26., above.

cial health means lawmakers don't have to wait for upcoming congressional and presidential elections, said Rep. Jim McCrery, R-La., who heads the House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Social Security.

"I think that it is possible for us to pass Social Security reform either next year or the year after, simply because the

problem is not going away," McCrery said. "I think both Democrats and Republicans recognize that this problem is not going away."

At this year's State of the Union address, Bush asked Congress to establish personal accounts for individual Social Security beneficiaries and make necessary changes to shore up the program's

long-term financial health.

Grassley said Bush had campaigned on Social Security issues and therefore entered his second term with "somewhat of a mandate" to address the retirement and disability program, but efforts to unite the GOP around a single plan failed. Lawmakers developed several proposals, but none advanced to a vote.

FRANCE

Riots show effect of discrimination

Associated Press

PARIS — France declared a state of emergency Tuesday to quell the country's worst unrest since the student uprisings of 1968 that toppled a government, and the prime minister said the nation faced a "moment of truth" over its failure to integrate Arab and African immigrants and their children.

The extraordinary security measures, which began Wednesday and are valid for 12 days, clear the way for curfews after nearly two weeks of rioting in neglected and impoverished neighborhoods with largely Muslim communities.

Prime Minister Dominique de Villepin, tacitly acknowledging that France has failed to live up to its egalitarian ideals, reached out to the heavily immigrant suburbs where the rioting began. He said France must make a priority of

working against the discrimination that feeds the frustration of youths made to feel that they do not belong in France.

"We must be lucid: The Republic is at a moment of truth," Villepin told parliament. "The effectiveness of our integration model is in question." He called the riots "a warning" and "an appeal."

Despite his conciliatory tone, Villepin said riot police faced "determined individuals, structured gangs, organized criminality," and that restoring order "will take time." Rioters have been using mobile phone text messages and the Internet to organize arson attacks, said police, who arrested two teenage bloggers accused of inciting other youths to riot.

The rioting is forcing France to confront anger building for decades among residents who complain of discrimination and unemployment. Although many of the French-born

children of Arab and black African immigrants are Muslim, police say the violence is not being driven by Islamic groups.

Images of teenagers from immigrant families pelting riot police with stones and gasoline bombs — reminiscent of Palestinian youths attacking Israeli patrols — are striking a cord throughout the Arab world.

The Egyptian daily Al-Massaie referred to the riots as "the inter-fadeh of the poor." Arabic satellite networks have given lead coverage to the mayhem, with regular live reports. Newspapers throughout the region have closely followed the story, calling it a "nightmare" and a "war of the suburbs."

Arson attacks, rioting and other unrest have spread from the suburbs to hundreds of cities and towns — though acts of violence were down somewhat Monday night from the previous evening.

Pizza

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online, and we got keys to the food sales room in the basement," Ott said. "We went down there, and we actually found a pizza oven which nobody told us about. I don't think they knew about it either."

The three are still trying to cover the starting cost, but they've made more than \$1,000 in sales, not all of which is profit, after only about two weeks of work, Leimkuehler and Ott said.

"Supplies cost a lot," Leimkuehler said. "Last week we over-ordered, so we had some crusts that just went bad."

Despite such initial difficulties, sales have continuously improved.

Leimkuehler said being a business major has helped smooth some bumps in the road.

"Initially there wasn't anything specifically I used from class, but as we started doing stuff we made spread sheets from our Management IT class that we use," he said. "As we started the business up, more and more stuff that we learned in class was making sense."

Sophomore Josh Raycroft, one of Dawg Pizza's first loyal customers, said the three men make a good pizza.

"I think it's really cool how they took the initiative to put it together," Raycroft said. "The guys are cool, and I like to help them out. It's convenient, it's right here and it's not that expensive."

Leimkuehler said price and time are two of Dawg Pizza's greatest selling points.

"It's really cheap," he said. "It's like four dollars for a 12-inch pizza, and we'll deliver to your room in under 10 minutes."

Ott said that residents seem to like the pizza and that people have been buying Dawg Pizza instead of going to LaFortune.

Dawg Pizza also sells breadsticks, nachos and drinks.

Students said they like to work in the pizza places in dorms because it's generally not a difficult job.

"I occasionally get people ordering from Stanford, so I guess it shows that if people know it's there, they'll make use of it. We get a lot of business usually," said John Cappa, a sophomore in who works in Keenan's pizza place, Zaland.

As in Alumni, most of the dorms' pizza services do not bring in a lot of money.

"It's pretty much non-profit. What we make I just give back to the workers," said Morrissey senior Dan Liem, who ran his hall's concessions last year.

"We made sure all the drinks are at least 50 cents cheaper than the vending machines," Leimkuehler said.

Word of mouth has already taken Dawg Pizza a long way, with the help of Mass announcements and advertising.

"We've put flyers throughout the dorm and sometime this week we're [going to] slide flyers under everyone's door," Leimkuehler said.

Dawg Pizza is open Sunday after Mass until 1 a.m., and Monday through Thursday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Orders can be placed in person or by phone. After 11 p.m., the pizza is delivered to dorm rooms.

Each of the three employees works about 10 hours a week. From 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. only one person works, but after that, at two of the men are in the kitchen. Over time,

the men expect to hire other students in order to expand the hours, deliver to other dorms and perhaps spread out to basements of other dorms.

"It's really fun. It's not hard to do, I hang out with my friends and we deliver to people in our dorm, so it's really kind of social, too," Leimkuehler said.

Generally the other in-hall concessions open after 9 p.m. on most days of the week, and benefit the students who work in them.

O'Neill has a concession business on the first floor.

"We sublet [the profits] to a couple of guys that run it. It's been that way all the years I've been there,"

O'Neill rector Ed Mack said. They sell pizzas, breadsticks, and different kinds of pop. We just got the slushie machine fixed, so they're in the slushie operation now."

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Security

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to one of our students."

In October alone, the escort van and security officers gave more than 2,900 students an escort.

"No matter what, there is always some way to get back to campus," Saint Mary's freshman Emily Tarnacki said. "I always feel safe because I know if the Sweep isn't running, security will be there in a phone call."

The trolley, known as the Sweep, runs from 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and stops at Main Circle and Library Circle. The Sweep runs from 7 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. at the same locations Fridays and from 9 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. on Saturdays.

But the trolley does not run on Sundays, one of the most common complaints among students who use the shuttle service.

Saint Mary's freshman Jameson Loubsky said often-times she spends most of the day on Sunday at Notre Dame studying and meeting with friends. The downside is she usually has no way of getting back to Saint Mary's without walking or riding a bike back at night.

"Once it starts snowing, I am

not going to be able to go between campuses as easily since the shuttle does not run on Sundays," she said.

Freshman Rachel Kalas had similar sentiments.

"Sometimes I find myself missing my club meetings on Sundays at Notre Dame because it is just too much of a hassle to walk to Notre Dame when it is raining or I am just running late," she said.

Despite students' qualms, the Sweep is the most popular form of transportation to and from Notre Dame and is free for anyone holding a Notre Dame or Saint Mary's ID card.

Saint Mary's sophomore Megan Welsch, who rides the trolley frequently, said it is the safest way to travel back and forth.

"Although the Sweep isn't the most efficient way for Saint Mary's girls to enjoy Notre Dame, it is the safest, most reliable and only resource [for students without cars]," she said.

Saint Mary's security also provides an escort van around campus, which is affectionately called "Blinkie" by Saint Mary's students.

The van drives around Saint Mary's campus only and takes students safely from building to building when they do not feel safe walking alone after dark.

The third escort service for

Saint Mary's students is security officer escorts in squad cars. These officers pick up students at the Grotto after the Sweep is no longer running for the night.

Chapman said Saint Mary's students appreciate these rides.

"Students are respectful and nice to the Security Officers," he said.

Chapman said another common problem with the escorts is that students will go to the Grotto and call for security while the Sweep is still running because it is more convenient than walking to one of the pickup points.

"If they [the students] could use the Sweep instead of the Security Officer on our campus to pick them up, this would keep the Security Officer on our campus to perform their duties here," he said. "Once the Sweep stops, we are more than glad to give them a ride."

Safety is the most important element of each service, Chapman said.

"The Sweep, escort van and Officer Escorts are all done for the safety of our students," she said. "That is the most important point in our Security Department — the safety of the Saint Mary's College Community."

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Packages

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said.

Members of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps also have provided the association with names of people to send to, Zarah said.

"We're pretty sure we'll be able to send packages to everyone, but they'll be smaller than last year's" because of the number of people whose names have been given to them this year, Zarah said.

Every item in the packages is donated.

"We're really depending on people to give stuff to us to make the packages good,"

Zarah said.

She said the Association hopes the Notre Dame memorabilia in the packages will remind soldiers of their time at the University.

The Association is also accepting monetary donations to pay for other expenses, such as postage, which they hope will be at least partially covered by donations, Zarah said.

The Association ran a concession stand a few weeks ago to help cover the costs.

Local South Bend stores such as Wal-Mart are also getting involved in the project by giving the Association store credit to buy items for the packages, Zarah said.

"All donations are going to be collected next week," Zarah said.

"The next Monday we're putting together all the boxes, and then that Tuesday, the Tuesday before Thanksgiving, they'll be shipped out," she said.

Zarah said soldiers have been appreciative of the packages in the past.

"Last year we did get a thank-you note from a soldier," Zarah said. "It's the most wonderful thing to receive a package, especially from the Notre Dame community. They're very grateful."

The Association will be collecting donations in the lobby of the Mendoza College of Business next week from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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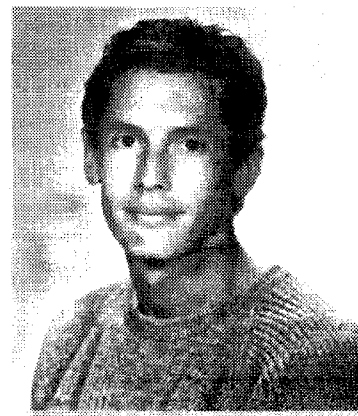
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AMEX	1,678.47	-5.59
NASDAQ	2,172.07	-6.17
NYSE	7,489.72	-29.70
S&P 500	1,218.59	-4.22
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FTSE 100(London)	5,460.90	+0.10

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JDS UNIPHASE CP (JDSU)	-5.49	-0.13	2.2
INTEL CP (INTC)	+0.20	+0.05	24.5

Treasuries			
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10-YEAR NOTE	-1.60	-0.74	45.6
5-YEAR NOTE	-1.47	-0.67	44.8
3-MONTH BILL	+0.91	+0.35	38.6

Commodities			
LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl.)	+0.24		59.71
GOLD (\$/Troy oz.)	+1.90		462.30
PORK BELLIES (cents/lb.)	-0.05		91.13

Exchange Rates			
YEN			117.285
EURO			0.848
POUND			0.573
CANADIAN \$			1.184

IN BRIEF

Greenspan warns of economic crisis

WASHINGTON — With just three months left before he leaves office, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan raised a warning to Congress: The country could face "serious economic disruptions" if bloated budget deficits are not curbed.

The Fed chief's strong comments, made during an appearance Thursday before Congress' Joint Economic Committee, come after the government produced a \$319 billion budget deficit this year — an improvement from the record amount of red ink registered in 2004 but still the third-highest deficit on record.

In the short term, costs related to rebuilding after the trio of devastating hurricanes will make it harder to improve the nation's balance sheets, he acknowledged. In the long term, a huge wave of retiring baby boomers will put massive strains on government resources, he said.

"There are no easy choices. Easy choices are long gone," said Greenspan, whose 18-plus year run at the Fed comes to an end on Jan. 31.

Casino sale to boost Gary economy

GARY, Ind. — Donald Trump's casino company said Friday it had agreed to sell its Lake Michigan riverboat and hotel to the owner of its dock-sharing competitor in a \$253 million deal.

The sale of the casino comes as Trump Entertainment Resorts works on its reorganization after filing for bankruptcy protection last year and just months after it was forced to drop its plans to build a new casino in southern Indiana's Orange County.

The casino's buyer is Las Vegas-based The Majestic Star Casino LLC, which has a neighboring casino at Gary. The two companies have a joint venture that owns the dock, entrance pavilion and restaurants that the two riverboats share.

Gary Mayor Scott L. King said the sale should be a boon for the city's hopes to redevelop the lakeshore to boost the regional economy, which include plans by Majestic Star owner Donald Barden to build a hotel and convention center.

"From the city's perspective I think this is going to facilitate the broader lakefront development," King said in a phone interview Friday.

ENGLAND

U.S. limits Chinese imports

Trade agreement viewed as victory for American clothing and textile workers

Associated Press

LONDON — The U.S. and China signed a deal Tuesday limiting imports of Chinese clothing and textile products into the United States, ending three months of negotiations over the thorny issue.

U.S. Trade Representative Rob Portman and Chinese Commerce Minister Bo Xilai both described the deal as a "win-win" following a final round of talks here, but Bo later added that it was a "far cry" from China's original expectations.

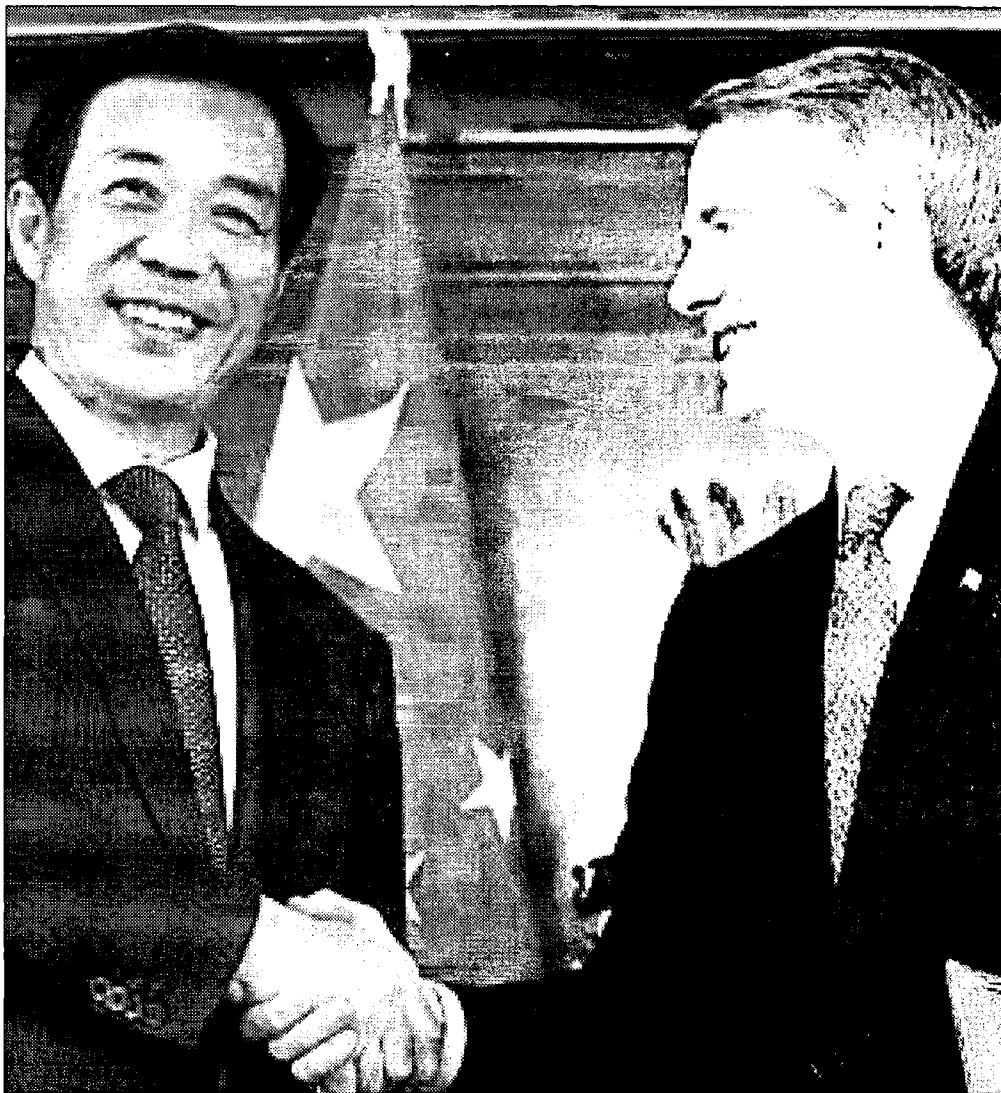
In the United States, groups representing clothing and textile manufacturers hailed the agreement while some retailers expressed disappointment that the annual increases were not larger.

The U.S. industry has been pushing for a deal to stem a flood of Chinese imports that began when global quotas were lifted in January, and Tuesday's announcement smooths over the trade relationship between the two nations just over a week before President Bush visits China on a state visit.

"We don't want to see such a small trade obstacle impede the overall trade and economic cooperation between the two countries," Bo said through a translator after signing the agreement.

Portman said the deal — set to take effect Jan. 1 and cover 34 clothing and textile categories including 14 considered the most sensitive by the U.S. industry — was fair to both countries, and called it an illustration of what "hard work" and "good faith" could accomplish.

"I believe this textile agreement is an example of how the United States and China do have the ability to resolve tough trade disputes in a manner that ben-



Chinese Minister of Commerce Bo Xilai, left, shakes hands with U.S. Trade Representative Rob Portman on Tuesday after announcement of the U.S.-China Broad Textile Agreement.

efits both countries," he said.

Jim Chesnut, chairman of the National Council of Textile Organizations, said the deal reassured Americans that China wouldn't be able to flood the U.S. market in the next three years.

"This agreement is a victory for hardworking U.S. textile workers," he said.

Auggie Tantillo, executive director of the American Trade Action Coalition, another industry group representing textile and clothing manufacturers, said, "U.S. textile and apparel manufacturing workers and

their communities are big winners today. This bilateral agreement represents a necessary and welcome step towards addressing China's unfair trade practices and highly disruptive levels of trade."

But representatives of American retailers expressed disappointment with what they saw as overly restrictive limits on future imports.

"Instead of terms that ensure that there is a true transition to unrestricted trade after 2008, the agreement imposes tight quotas on the products of greatest importance to American

families: shirts, pants and underwear," said Laura E. Jones, executive director of the U.S. Association of Importers of Textiles and Apparel.

Bo said the agreement was concluded after "practical and equal negotiations" and provided a "predictable and stable environment" for the textile industries in both China and the United States.

However, he also said the agreement would have a much greater impact on China's 20 million textile workers than the several hundred thousand workers in the United States.

Government aids prisoner re-entry

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Labor Department is awarding nearly \$20 million in grants to religious and community groups to help people released from prison find jobs and smoothly make their way back into society.

Labor Secretary Elaine Chao announced the grants in an interview with The Associated Press on Tuesday. The money will go to 30 organizations to fund projects in 20 states.

"Everyone deserves a second chance," Chao said in the interview.

Job training and placement, mentoring and counseling are among the types of services that the groups will provide to "nonviolent" ex-offenders,

she said. That is defined as an adult who has never been convicted of a violent or sex-related offense.

The department hopes to help some 6,250 released prisoners through the grants, Chao said.

"When ex-offenders return to the community they need help," Chao said. "Faith-based organizations in urban centers — because they are so much part of the community — can be of tremendous assistance in reintegrating these ex-offenders back into the community. What we hope will happen is that there will be a holistic approach in helping these ex-offenders."

The grants are being offered through President Bush's prisoner re-

entry initiative, which emerged from the president's 2004 State of the Union address. The initiative aims not only to aid ex-prisoners find employment when they return to their communities but also to help urban areas that have large numbers of returning ex-prisoners deal with these challenges.

Approximately 549 applications were submitted to the department for a slice of the grants, which total \$19.8 million. Most grants were in the range of around \$660,000 a piece.

Recipients include: Metro United Methodist Urban Ministry in San Diego, Calif., \$665,935; Odyssey House Louisiana, \$684,250; and Goodwill Industries of San Antonio, \$663,045.

VENEZUELA

Chavez claims 'knockout'

American proposal of Free Trade Area of Americas rejected at summit

Associated Press

ARACAS — Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez proclaimed a "knockout" victory in the Summit of the Americas after helping thwart a U.S.-backed free trade zone, strengthening his position as Latin America's most vocal rival of President Bush and as a maverick unafraid of irritating his neighbors.

The fiery leader was buoyed by the emergence of a five-nation bloc opposed to the trade pact and was cheered by thousands of anti-Bush protesters at the summit in Argentina.

But some say it's too soon for Chavez to declare victory, and that while he has begun to deliver on promises to share Venezuela's oil wealth with the poor at home and abroad, his heavy spending on handout programs could leave him overextended.

"Bush lost by total knockout," Chavez said after the summit in Mar del Plata, calling the U.S.-proposed Free Trade Area of the Americas a "fallacy" designed to allow richer nations to exploit poorer ones.

The United States argues the free trade zone would create jobs and build better lives for the region's poor. But Chavez proclaimed "the FTAA is dead," and emotions ran high as crowds of protesters clashed with riot police in the streets on Friday.

Bush, unable to get the 34 nations to agree on reviving the stalled pact, left the negotiations early. Mocking Bush for leaving "with his tail between his legs," Chavez crowed to reporters that he was savoring the sweet "honey of victory."

Not everyone agrees.

"I wouldn't say Chavez emerges as a triumphant leader," said Steve Ellner, a professor of political science at Venezuela's Eastern University. "You don't have a situation where Latin America is united around Chavez. Latin America is very much divided now."

Five nations opposed the free trade proposal: South America's two-largest economies, Brazil and Argentina, plus Uruguay, Paraguay and Venezuela, which has the continent's

largest oil and gas reserves.

But while Chavez rattled some with his sharp comments about U.S. policies, it was Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva who quietly gained Bush's ear. In a friendly post-summit meeting, Bush said he agreed with Silva that the U.S. should aim to drop agriculture subsidies so it is easier for farmers in the developing world to compete.

The U.S. has raised concerns about the health of Venezuelan democracy under Chavez, but the Venezuelan leader insists he supports democratic principles.

Mexican President Vicente Fox headed a camp opposing Chavez and was sharply critical of all countries that did not want to join the free trade zone, calling for the 29 supporting nations to go ahead with talks without the dissenters.

In Venezuela, Chavez points to his socialist "revolution" as the answer to decades of U.S.-style capitalism that he says has caused widespread poverty. He has poured billions of petrodollars into infrastructure and social projects, including subsidized state-run food markets and cooperatives bringing thousands of jobs to the poor.

Abroad, he has also begun sharing his country's oil wealth as he seeks to strengthen his political alliances. Under Chavez, Venezuela has begun shipping fuel to six Caribbean

countries, including Jamaica, Cuba and Dominica, as part of a plan to supply oil under preferential financing to 14 countries in the region.

Oil-producing Trinidad and Tobago, however, has refused to sign on, saying joining would hurt its economic interests.

Venezuela, the world's fifth-largest oil exporter, also has allowed Argentina to pay for oil with cattle and elevators. Cuba has sent thousands of doctors to treat Venezuela's poor for free.

Venezuela is raking in the proceeds of high oil prices, with oil money going toward everything from a free university to adult education programs.

Time will tell how the effort fares, Ellner said.

"If that oil money were to dry up, if prices were to decline, I'm not saying that these policies would be failures, but it would certainly limit the options," he said.

Until Chavez's system is put to the test, he added, "the opposition can't say it's going to fail, the government can't say it's going to be a success."

Chavez pledged \$10 billion at the summit to fight hunger in Latin America, saying his policies aiming for regional "solidarity" are more just than "destructive" U.S. capitalism.

But some critics argue that while Chavez is pledging help for other countries — even promising cheaper heating oil to some poor U.S. communities — Venezuela still has many problems that need to be addressed.

"I think the state of this country worsens every day," said John Alexander Cadadi, a street vendor. "It's full of garbage, there's a lot of crime and a lot of corruption in the government and police. It's all upside down — everything."

JAPAN

Whale hunt a part of controversial research

Greenpeace, New Zealand speak out against Japanese work

Associated Press

TOKYO — A fleet of Japanese whaling ships left for the seas of Antarctica amid protests Tuesday, aiming to kill 850 minke whales — almost double last year's catch — and expand the hunt to fin whales for the first time.

The expedition is the first under a six-year research whaling program launched earlier this year by the Tokyo-based Institute of Cetacean Research, fisheries ministry official Kenji Masuda said. Japan wrapped up an 18-year study of feeding and migratory habits in March, when the fleet returned from an Antarctic hunt with a haul of 440 minke.

Their meat was sold to restaurants and food wholesalers.

Greenpeace International called on Japan to cancel the latest hunt, calling it commercial whaling in disguise.

The hunt, which is permitted as research under the rules of the International Whaling Commission, is expected to kill 850 minke whales and 10 fin whales, a rarer species.

"In the last survey, we found the number of fin whales has been increasing, so we included them this time," Masuda said, adding that the fleet plans to expand the hunt again in 2007 to humpback whales. The current research program runs through 2011.

Japan's research whaling program has for years been a divisive issue within the International Whaling Commission, which banned commercial whaling in 1986 but approved limited hunts for research purposes a year later.

Japan maintains that whaling is a national tradition and a vital part of its food culture. It says whale stocks have suffi-

ciently recovered since 1986 to allow the resumption of limited hunts of certain species. Research hunts, which end up killing the whales, are needed to establish reliable information on whale populations and habits, the government maintains.

Opponents say non-lethal means could be used and that the hunts differ little from commercial whaling because Japan sells the whale meat to restaurants. Last spring's catch yielded 4.16 million pounds of meat and fetched \$26.5 million, Masuda said.

The proceeds fund further research, the government says.

New Zealand Conservation Minister Chris Carter issued a statement Tuesday expressing alarm about Japan's expanded whale hunt, saying his country was working with other nations to address provisions in the international convention on whaling regulations that make scientific whaling legal but "are out of step with modern conservation approaches."

"Hunting whales is like hunting tigers (or) gorillas. New Zealanders regard it as unjustifiable," Carter said.

The current fleet of six ships left the western port of Shimonoseki led by the 8,030 ton Nisshin Maru, and is to return in mid-April.

Tokyo has repeatedly failed to muster the three-fourths majority of International Whaling Commission member nations needed to overturn the commercial whaling ban. Each year, Japan also kills another 210 whales — 100 minke whales, 50 Bryde's whales, 50 sei whales and 10 sperm whales — during a similar research expedition in the northwestern Pacific.

Norway is the only country that hunts whales for profit. Iceland, like Japan, kills them for research in hunts sanctioned by the International Whaling Commission. The United States and other nations opposed to whaling have said there is no scientific basis for the research.

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Democrats lead in governor races



Virginia Lt. Gov. and democratic gubernatorial candidate Tim Kaine, center, and his wife, Anne Holton, talk with neighbor John Knapp after visiting the polls in Richmond, Va. Tuesday.

Associated Press

Democrat Lt. Gov. Tim Kaine clung to a steady lead over Republican Jerry Kilgore Tuesday in the race for Virginia governor, while early returns in New Jersey's gubernatorial race showed Democratic Sen. Jon Corzine ahead of Republican Doug Forrester.

Kaine had 680,125 votes, or 51.7 percent, to Kilgore's 606,067 votes, or 46.1 percent, with two-thirds of precincts counted.

With 12 percent of precincts reporting in New Jersey, Corzine led with 144,271 votes, or 52 percent, to Forrester's 123,995 votes, or 44.7 percent.

Both gubernatorial races saw record-breaking, mean-spirited campaigns, and were closely watched by political analysts for signs of the public's mood

ahead of next year's midterm elections. Elsewhere, New York and a few other major cities selected mayors.

Statewide ballot referendums put gay rights before the voters in Maine and Texas, while several government-overhaul measures on the ballot in California were seen as a referendum on GOP Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, who campaigned hard for them.

Both New Jersey and Virginia saw races for governor marked by nasty personal attacks. One ad in Virginia charged that one candidate would not have supported the death penalty for Adolf Hitler; another in New Jersey quoted a candidate's ex-wife as saying he would betray the state.

In New Jersey, Democratic Sen. Jon Corzine and Republican businessman Doug

Forrester spent upward of \$70 million on the governor's race. Acting Gov. Richard Codey assumed the office last year when Gov. Jim McGreevey, a Democrat, resigned over a homosexual affair, but Codey decided not to run.

In Virginia, at least \$42 million was spent in the contest between Kaine and Kilgore, the former state attorney general. Democratic Gov. Mark Warner cannot seek a second term.

Voters also picked mayors in New York, Detroit, Houston, San Diego and Atlanta.

The vitriol in the gubernatorial campaigns left voters weary.

"You turn on the TV and there's nothing but negative ads on. I can see why people get frustrated with that," businessman Nick Russo said in Ridgewood, N.J. "It just turns you off."

Suspect recognized on security videos

Associated Press

SARASOTA, Fla. — A business partner, roommate and other acquaintances of a man accused of raping and strangling an 11-year-old girl testified Tuesday that they recognized him in images captured by a security camera.

The suspect in the images had Joseph Smith's gait and wore a uniform like the one worn at the garage they operated together, said the business partner, Ed Dinyes. In the tape, the suspect is seen taking the girl away by the arm.

"That is Joe? What ... is he doing there?" said Dinyes, recounting his reaction after seeing the images in February 2004. "I couldn't believe that this is the guy I know."

Smith, a 39-year-old former auto mechanic and father of three daughters, is charged with first-degree murder, kidnapping and capital sexual battery in the death of Charlie Brucia. He pleaded not guilty. If convicted, he may face the death penalty.

Besides the videotape, prosecutors have said they have DNA evidence linking Smith to the crime and clothing fibers belonging to Charlie that were found in a car used by Smith. The defense says the evidence is inconclusive and other suspects weren't properly investigated.

Dinyes said his wife was the first to recognize Smith in the images broadcast just a few days after Charlie disappeared from the parking

lot of a car wash. She woke her husband, told him to watch the television and urged him to call authorities.

After his wife left for work, Dinyes reported his suspicions to a police hot line recording, but then called 911 because he felt "it was vital that I get a hold of someone," he said.

Haskell Clemons, who managed a tire shop where Smith worked occasionally, and Jeff Pincus, Smith's roommate, also testified that they recognized Smith from his posture and walk.

Clemons and the Dinyes told jurors that Smith had gained weight and changed haircuts since the images were taken.

Pincus said he loaned Smith his station wagon the afternoon of Charlie's disappearance, believing it would be returned in a few minutes. But Smith didn't return the car until the next morning and had added more than 300 miles to the odometer. Smith left wearing a mechanic's uniform but returned in a green sweat shirt, Pincus added.

During cross examination, Pincus acknowledged that in a deposition he had confused the days when he loaned Smith the station wagon.

Detective Toby Davis testified that he interviewed Smith at his home, searched his bedroom and found mechanic's uniforms. Davis showed Smith a still photo taken from the security camera images, and Smith said, "That looks like me, but it's not me," he said.

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'Different, better and stronger'

This is a column about torture, and in particular the torture that has been practiced by all branches of the U.S. military and by the CIA for the past several years, and which is only now (long after it first came to light) getting the media attention it deserves. There is a vast amount of documentary evidence on the subject, thousands of pages in lurid detail, and most of it can speak for itself.

Typically I devote a great deal of time to carefully developing rhetorical arguments. For this piece I have abandoned that style, because in the face of the evidence and the nature of the crimes, each of us knows that torture is wrong, even those who support its use against our enemies. What the proponents of torture believe is that it is necessary to defend our freedom. What I propose to you, and what I feel the selections below indicate, is that the existence of torture in a free society, for any reason, is inherently inconsistent, and indeed a far greater threat to everything we believe in than all the terrorists in the world put together.

Senator John McCain to the U.S. Senate: "I have been asked before where did the brave men I was privileged to serve with in Vietnam draw the strength to resist ... Our enemies didn't adhere to the Geneva Convention. Many of my comrades were subjected to very cruel, very inhumane and degrading treatment, a few of them even unto death. But every one of us knew, every single one of us knew and took great strength from the belief that we were different from our enemies, that we were better than them, that we, if the

roles were reversed, would not disgrace ourselves by committing or countenancing such mistreatment of them. That faith was indispensable not only to our survival, but to our attempts to return home with honor."

Official council of Assistant Attorney General Jay S. Bybee: "Any effort to apply Section 2340A [which incorporates the Convention Against Torture into U.S. law] in a manner that interferes with the President's direction of such core war matters as detention and interrogation of enemy combatants thus would be unconstitutional."

(Reportedly another Justice Department memo, still classified, goes so far as to claim that Congress has no constitutional authority to interfere with the President's powers as Commander-in-Chief. Since then the United States has opened several interrogation camps in such freedom-friendly nations as Thailand and Russia. Twenty-eight detainees have been tortured to death.)

Official testimony of a detainee at Abu Ghraib, Iraq: "They stripped me naked, they asked me, 'Do you pray to Allah?' I said, 'Yes.' They said 'Fuck you' and 'Fuck him.' Someone else asked me 'Do you believe in anything?' I said to him, 'I believe in Allah.' So he said, 'But I believe in torture and I will torture you.'"

(It is worth noting that, according to official documents, as many as 90 percent of the detainees at Abu Ghraib are innocent civilians collected through random and poorly organized night sweeps of the Iraqi countryside. If the war in Iraq and the war against terrorism are propaganda wars, then the actions at Abu Ghraib are simply incompetent.)

From the official investigation of Abu Ghraib: "On another occasion DETAINEE-07 was forced to lie down while M.P.s jumped onto his back and legs. He was beaten with a broom and a chemical light was broken and poured

over his body... During this abuse a police stick was used to sodomize DETAINEE-07 and two female M.P.s were hitting him, throwing a ball at his penis and taking photographs."

Senator John McCain to the U.S. Senate: "[W]e are obliged to make clear to [our soldiers]... that they are always, always — through the violence, chaos and heartache of war, through deprivation and cruelty and loss — they are always, always Americans, and different, better and stronger than those who would destroy us."

Anthony Lagouranis, former Army specialist: "I think our policies required abuse. There were freaking horrible things people were doing. I saw [detainees] who had feet smashed with hammers. One detainee told me he was forced by Marines to sit on an exhaust pipe, and he had a softball-sized blister to prove it. The stuff I did was mainly torture lite: sleep deprivation, isolation, stress positions, hypothermia. We used dogs."

Excerpt from H.R. 2863, approved by the Senate 90 to 9 and currently in Joint Committee: "No individual in the custody or under the physical control of the United States Government, regardless of nationality or physical location, shall be subject to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment [as defined by 5th, 8th and 14th Amendments]."

(The Bush administration strongly opposes this legislation.)

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

It's our backyard, too

In response to Professor Ed Manier's Oct. 31 letter "Not In My Backyard," I would like to make a few points.

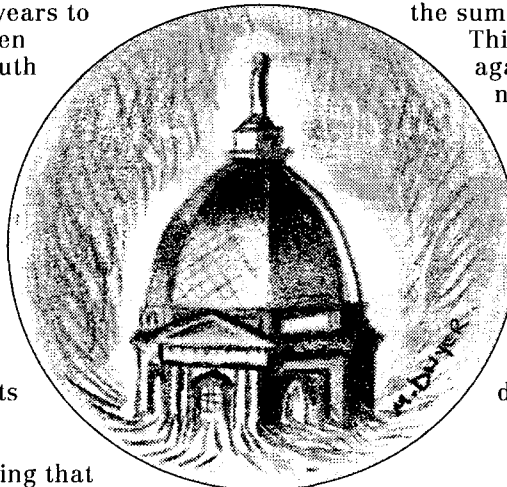
First, the "student body sycophant" he cites is the first student body president in many years to recognize that the relationship between Notre Dame and the community of South Bend warrants careful attention and improvement. He has taken action, forming the Committee on Community Relations in the Student Senate, organizing an off-campus seminar and has frequently met with city leaders to address the issue. The only things that Dave Baron panders to are the best interests of Notre Dame.

Second, muscling through an ordinance that specifically targets students at a time when students are not adequately represented does not help to improve community relations. Promising that the ordinance will not be enforced unless neighbors complain and then breaking that promise does not

help to improve community relations. Community relations is not just a Notre Dame issue; it's a South Bend issue, too. We have to address it together, not in the summer when the other half isn't here.

Third, the punitive measures taken against first-time violators of the ordinance are unreasonable and extreme. Underage alcohol consumption is illegal, and a reasonable person expects some punitive actions if he knowingly breaks the law. Eviction, however, is extreme punishment for a first-time misdemeanor offender. We cannot begin to improve community relations until both Notre Dame students and South Bend residents realize together that the ordinance does not in fact support that end.

Patrick Knapp
junior
Zahm House Senator
Nov. 8



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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Everything has been figured out,
except how to live."

Jean-Paul Sartre
French philosopher

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The crack in the case

Joey Falco's Nov. 7 article "Beating (around the) Bush" is a case in point of why the American Left continues to slip further away from the mainstream. His article is simply a restatement of the Democrat talking points since Katrina, and though he paints a beautiful picture of what the liberal democrats and the media wish, hope and dream will be true, it contains very few actual facts.

Falco's first supposed crack in Bush's "glass case of composure" was hurricane Katrina. New Orleans, a Democrat-controlled city, failed to evacuate its people and failed to accept federal aid prior to the storm. Mayor Ray "school bus" Nagin failed to mobilize hundreds of school buses that were at his disposal to help evacuate his city. Democratic governor Kathleen Blanco, prior to Katrina, turned down the help of the federal government when Bush offered it. It was recently discovered that millions of dollars that had been given to New Orleans to improve the known problems with the levee system were diverted to other projects. The media reported rapes and killings in the Superdome and described the city as a "Toxic Soup" that would never be rebuilt, none of which was accurate. It was all part of a liberal vision of what they hoped to be true. It's absurd to think the president hoped for hurricanes in order to bolster his brother's reputation, but the liberal media and leaders wished for a disaster so that they could blame it all on Bush.

Another "crack" was the indictment of Tom DeLay. Falco fails to mention that the prosecutor, Ronnie Earle, who indicted DeLay, had to go to three different grand juries before he found the only one that would indict (one which had been sworn in just hours earlier). And what are they indicting DeLay for, you might ask? Ronnie Earle, who at this very moment is making a movie

about his life as a prosecutor, is accusing DeLay of conspiracy to break a law that wasn't even on the books, and wouldn't be for another two years. Ronnie Earle knew his indictment would force DeLay to step down in the House, and would also serve as a great ending for his political smut film.

As for the Scooter Libby "crack," he was indicted for making a false statement, not for outing a covert CIA agent. Falco dismisses the fact that Valerie Plame had not been undercover for over five years as well as the fact that she sent her husband, Joe Wilson, to Niger to investigate WMDs. He also fails to mention that Wilson never filed an official report on his findings in Niger or that Wilson himself helped in the "outing" of himself and his wife by approaching the news media.

Bush was criticized for not preparing well enough for Katrina, and with the Bird Flu wreaking havoc throughout the world, Falco now criticizes Bush for preparing too soon. The left and people like Joey Falco read the news and feel that there is some sort of conservative crackup occurring. They see the hope for their struggling democratic party to finally regain the control that had been "stolen" from them by the corrupt Bush administration. What they don't see is that all of Falco's "cracks" have actually revitalized the resolve of the Republican Party. Time will show that this will be the beginning of a conservative crackdown. It is obvious that the dreams of the left, the media and Falco will not be coming true, and they will soon wake only to find themselves looking at their reflections through the shards of their own cracked case.

Chris Reintjes
senior.
off-campus
Nov. 7

Estimate of deaths low

Ryan Crane unfortunately misrepresents statistics in his Nov. 7 letter to the editor (ironically) entitled "Misleading Statistics." Crane insists that The Lancet article, which estimates that between March 2003 and September 2004 the U.S.-lead Coalition caused 98,000 excess Iraqi deaths, is "easily debunked" due to "a confidence interval so large as to be almost statistically meaningless." In fact, The Lancet estimate is probably quite low because it excluded data from hot spots like Fallujah (not to mention the number of deaths since September 2004).

Crane misleads the reader about how a "confidence interval" (CI) works in statistics. Crane makes the false presumption that a 95 percent CI of 8000-194,000 means that the number of deaths are just as likely to be any number between 8000 and 194,000. If this false presumption about CI were true, then The Lancet estimate would indeed be meaningless (as well as some of Crane's own stats about Kurds killed by Saddam, not to mention the deaths from the Dec. 2004 tsunami, etc.).

However, the numbers in the middle of the CI are statistically more likely to be more accurate than the numbers closer to either extreme. The stats are something like this:

(i) There is a 2.5 percent chance that the number is lower than 8000, and a 2.5 percent chance it's higher than 194,000 (2.5 percent + 2.5 percent = 5 percent, thus the 95 percent chance the number is between 8000 and 194,000).

(ii) There is a 10 percent chance that the number is lower than 45,000, and a 10 percent chance it's higher than 167,000 (thus a 80 percent chance the number is between 45,000 and 167,000).

(iii) There is a 20 percent chance

that the number is lower than 65,000, and a 20 percent chance it's higher than 147,000 (thus a 60 percent chance the number is between 65,000 and 147,000).

Many refer to the lower number of innocent Iraqi dead (currently around 30,000, but around 15,000 at the time The Lancet article came out a year ago) at The Iraq Body Count website, which is based on the work of Marc Herold, an economist from the University of New Hampshire. Herold says his number is probably very low because it comes only from deaths directly caused by the U.S. Coalition that are reported by at least two different news organizations. So indirectly caused deaths (e.g., deaths due to the anarchy following the war) and deaths not reported by at least two media sources are not counted. According to The Lancet, the risk of death from violence in the period after the invasion was 58 times higher (95 percent CI 8.1-419) than in the period before the war. Note that there is only a 2.5 percent chance that the risk of death from violence is less than 8.1 times higher than it was before.

Americans need to face the fact that our military kills a large number of innocent people. Many more have died since The Lancet article was published a year ago. We need to take an unbiased look at all the numbers in context. We need to admit to the reality of a war that we had overwhelmingly supported. Only then can we even hope to have the knowledge and self-knowledge to make mature, informed decisions about when and how to use the most powerful military in the world.

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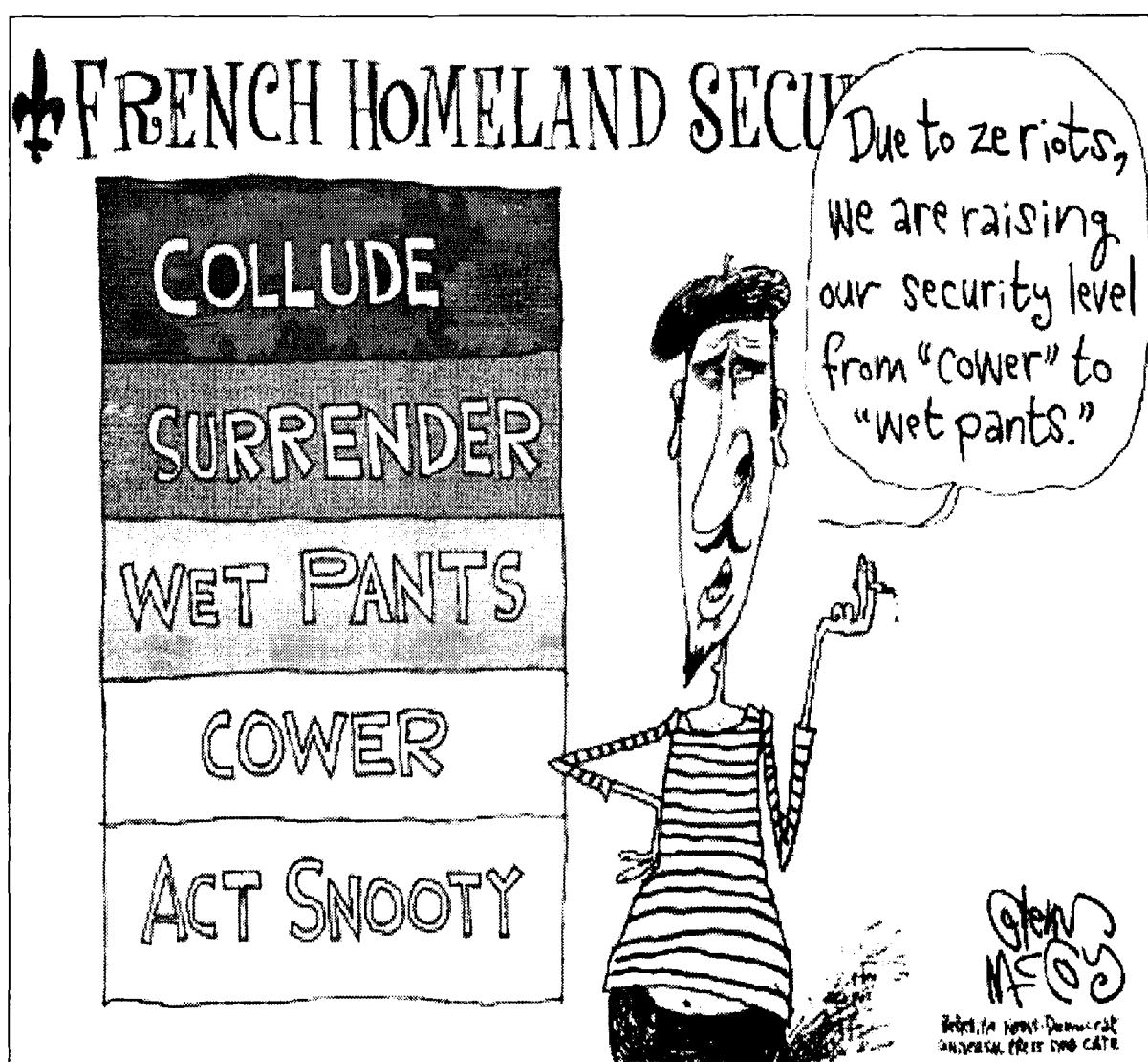
Content of comic is questionable

I am amazed that, given the prominence of The Observer recently, people haven't noticed the comics offered on the last page. Recently, I have found that Jockular is particularly offensive to both myself and those with whom I work. Kimberly Baker submitted a letter [Nov. 1] about its position on women. Not only have I taken offense at those comics, I have also taken offense at Monday's comic about the white crosses.

Alec White, a junior, and Erik Powers, a senior, were both students last year during the outrage that ensued following the destruction of the crosses. I fail to see how a comic depicting the burning of the crosses (misinterpreted as "T"s) and the tasteless remark "I think the Keebler Elves have joined the Klan!" can be funny. Abortion, as is evident, is a very sensitive issue, and race relations, as is also evident, is not much "safer" for the content of a comic strip. As a Catholic, I was offended by the lack of respect given to the cross, and as a human being I was offended by the lack of respect for a differing view on an issue so serious as abortion. Furthermore, I am amazed that a newspaper serving a Catholic community would publish a comic such as Jockular, especially as humor, because of its morally questionable content. I am also surprised that the artists, despite outcry by members of the community, have continued to produce baseless comics that are, at best, ill-suited for print media, and (sometimes) offensive. Never before have I seen faith taken so lightly. Maybe it is a lesson that the authors need to learn before taking another entertainment position.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



DVD REVIEW

'Land of the Dead' better suited for fans

By MARK BEMENDERFER
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"Land of the Dead" establishes its unique identity by building off of a cinematic heritage that spans nearly half a century.

While it is a splendid palimpsest for a very select crowd, watching it with no knowledge of its predecessors leaves the average viewer in the dark. This is problematic for most viewers, which is why "Land of the Dead" is better suited for fans of its predecessors and genre aficionados than most general audiences.

In the original, due to unknown reasons, the bodies of the recently deceased began to rise up and attack the living. The military and society at-large proved incapable of dealing with the situation. To make matters worse, the animated dead appeared to get smarter as the living civilization declined.

This leads into the fourth of George Romero's "Dead" series, "Land of the Dead." Civilization at large has fallen,

leaving only isolated pockets of humanity. The city of Fiddler's Green is one such pocket and is depicted as possibly the final remaining US city populated by the living.

Lacking the means to support itself, the city's corrupt government — led by the slimy Kaufman (Dennis Hopper) — sends out raiding parties to collect supplies from neighboring areas. But departing from the city for supplies is not a pleasant job, and certain members of the crew yearn for a better life.

The corrupt raider Cholo (John Leguizamo) dreams of joining the rest of the social elite in Fiddler's Green tower. Another Raider, Riley (Simon Baker) has different aspirations. He wishes to leave the corrupt society and make his own way through the "wild." Both characters are well developed and play wonderfully into various forms of interpretation.

Running counter to the aspirations of these two individuals is the smart zombie Big Daddy (Eugene Clark). After witnessing a raid on his town, he chases after the crew with an ever-increasing zombie horde, which leads to a climactic showdown with the corrupt, the innocent and the dead.

"Land" is a worthy addition to the series, as it continues everything that made the previous ones memorable. The satirical look at consumerism from "Dawn of the Dead" is back, as well as several other themes that a Romero fan would notice immediately.



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Mercenaries Slack (Asia Argento), left, and Riley (Simon Baker) try to protect their walled-off city in George A. Romero's latest horror film, "Land of the Dead."

The emphasis on the corrupt having power and critical looks on society at large would appear to be more appropriate in a non-horror movie. But Romero pulls it off admirably, pulling "Land" out of the standard mire of Hollywood horror.

Horror junkies will find plenty to like in the movie. The gore is abundant, as bites, headshots and explosions run rampant. The unrated version is one of the gorier films in recent memory, though an R-rated version is also available.

The special features are great for long-time fans and newcomers alike. The DVD goes into great detail how the special

effects were done, some of which are quite visually impressive. There are also some fan service features, as it shows where the zombie-parody "Shaun of the Dead" actors made cameos.

As good as "Land of the Dead" is, it is not for everyone. It's aimed at a niche audience, and those within the niche will love the movie. And while it's recommended that those not in the audience learn more about this particular niche, this movie is not the best place to start.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Mendes' 'Jarhead' only a half-full Gulf War drama

By SEAN SWEANY
Scene Critic

"You will train. You will hydrate. And you will maintain a constant state of suspicious alertness."

Do it all, Sam Mendes fans.

While these words are directed at Marines in the Gulf War movie "Jarhead," they equally apply to audiences eagerly anticipating this recent directing effort of the Academy Award-winning Mendes ("American Beauty," "Road to Perdition").

Just as the Marines' preparations were mostly useless — since the war did not happen as the soldiers expected — so will potential "Jarhead" fans be disappointed by a film that does not live up to its lofty expectations.

"Jarhead" is a film recounting the memoirs of Corporal Anthony "Swoff" Swofford (Jake Gyllenhaal, "Donnie Darko"), who served as a Marine during the Gulf War. As a 20 year-old who enlisted in the Marines rather than flunk out of college, Swofford was a soldier filled with questions and anger about his role in Operation Desert Shield in 1990.

After an opening scene reminiscent of Stanley Kubrick's "Full Metal Jacket" (1987), the film continues with any further allusions to previous war movies and sets its own tone. Staff Sgt. Sykes (Jamie Foxx, "Ray"), a tough, no-nonsense, insightful platoon leader, sets the tone. He leads the sniper Swofford, his partner Troy (Peter Sarsgaard, "Flightplan") and other stock characters. And when the

Marines are shipped off to Iraq and placed under the watchful eye of Lt. Col. Kazinski (Chris Cooper, "American Beauty"), the action seems ready to start.

But the only problem is that there is no action.

The Marines spend their time in the desert talking, drinking water, thinking about wives and girlfriends back home, shooting at sand dunes, playing football and preparing for an enemy just over the horizon. When the men actually engage in the war, there is no enemy or battle, just a lot of walking. When the war ends and he returns home, Swofford narrates his war lasted four days, four hours and

one minute, and he did not fire a single bullet in that time.

While "Jarhead" may be termed a war movie, it is really a character drama set in a war. The movie does not preach the pros or cons of the Gulf War or the current situation in Iraq.

One scene features a character ranting about the politics of the situation until he is cut off by another soldier who tells him that nothing matters except the fact that they are there.

Essentially, this is a film about boredom. Thousands of soldiers were placed in the desert with nothing to do, and "Jarhead" graphically portrays how many of them became insane from the boredom. The film avoids being completely boring itself, but at the same time it fails to stimulate viewers into feeling strongly in any direction.

The sad part about this seeming apathy is that the rest of the film is very well done. Gyllenhaal shows he is one of the



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Anthony Swofford (Jake Gyllenhaal), left, and Troy (Peter Sarsgaard) are two soldiers waiting for combat in "Jarhead," Sam Mendes' film about the Gulf War.

top young actors in Hollywood, while Foxx backs up his award winning performance in "Ray" with another phenomenal effort. The rest of the cast, especially Sarsgaard and Cooper, also give stunning supporting performances.

Mendes directs the talent well. His imagery and cinematography — especially when the oil fields are burning and raining oil on the soldiers — make the movie visually breathtaking.

The film is even written well, but there is just not enough writing to fill the jar of "Jarhead." There are certain scenes that

scream for more attention and exposition, only to be abruptly cut short before any substantial significance can be reasoned.

The agonizing part about "Jarhead" is that the weak story is the only thing that keeps this film from being in the pantheon of war films. As it is, "Jarhead" ends up being a technically flawless film that still leaves viewers confused and wanting much more as the end credits roll.

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Jarhead



Director: Sam Mendes
Writer: William Broyles Jr.
Starring: Jake Gyllenhaal, Jamie Foxx, Peter Sarsgaard and Chris Cooper



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VIDEO GAME REVIEW

By CHRIS MCGRADY and TAE ANDREWS
Scene Critics

Chris: With headlining acts such as FIFA 2006, NFL 2006 and NCAA Football 2006, EA Sports has effectively built the gold standard for sports-related video games. And in the world of basketball arcade entertainment, NBA Live 2006 is a slam-dunk.

The game's numerous new features (see the new Playmaker control) complement nicely with the improved graphics and controllability of the players. Although perhaps removed from reality a bit (i.e. Carmelo Anthony or Manu Ginobili routinely dropping 60 points in a game), the ability to personalize your playing style is a huge step up.

The previous version of the game had several features that could turn a nasty baller into a weepy bawler. In the old version, certain moves in the game were nearly impossible to execute.

Gone are the days of the inability to perform even a simple "pro-hop," which prompted the renaming of the button that produced such a move to the "turn over button" among many avid NBA Live players. Ushered in is a new era of behind-the-back passes and tomahawk jams. With the new take, video gamers are given a virtual arsenal of effective drive, dunk, dish, dip and dodge abilities that will have even the most experienced of players salivating.

Aside from regular game play, there are numerous extra features that enhance the overall experience of the game. The first of these is the All-Star Weekend, which includes the 3-point competition, the Dunk contest and the All-Star Game.

Need help working on your outside stroke? Well, the 3-point feature is back and better than ever. Don't like the view you're getting from your shooter? Feel free to change the camera angle without leaving the game. The 3-point competition

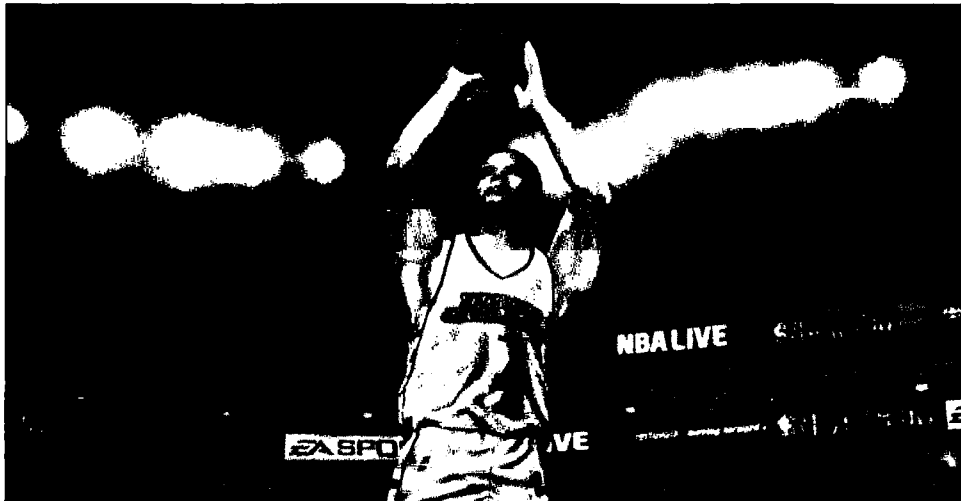


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NBA Live 2006 is the latest incarnation of the popular professional basketball series from EA Sports. It is available on Xbox, Playstation 2 and Gamecube.

will let even the most un-athletic of coach potatoes "make it rain" alongside the likes of Kyle Korver and Michael Redd.

The dunk competition makes the game enter a new realm of fantasy rivaled only by the bullet-time bonanza found in "The Matrix." There is such a thing as hang-time, but the way LeBron James hangs in the air makes the gamer start looking for wires attached to his back. Despite this stunning visual aspect, the competition takes on a near-ludicrous level when King James tosses the ball off the shot-clock, does a forward handspring and then dunks the ball with his arm covering his eyes.

Stupid? Yes. Entertaining? Definitely.

The dunk competition's perverse use of fake abilities makes the most unrealistic facet of the game one of the most fun.

Want to prove that Charlie Weis isn't the only guy out there who can put the "nasty" back in "dynasty?" Look no further than NBA Live's Dynasty Mode.

Are you a fan of the championship-thirsty Clippers or the toothless Toronto Raptors? Well, fear no longer. You don't have to wait until next year's draft to watch your team rebuild, as you can trade and sign players enroute to the championship faster than you can say Greg Popovich.

Don't feel like playing an entire season just to pull a "Denver Nuggets" and run into a brick wall in the first round of the playoffs? That's fine, too. Just use

the simulation feature and you can skip more games than Ron Artest, and you don't even have to punch anyone to do it.

Overall, the game is a worthy, enjoyable and entertaining take on professional basketball and is an enticing time to the Marcus Camby in all of us.

Tae: The evolution of a perennial sports title is a continually changing process. Game creators use fan input to determine what facets of a game work and which aspects aren't working. Then they seek to modify and improve upon deficiencies in the overall gaming experience.

The latest reincarnation of Live is definitely a step up from last year's title, but it fails to be an entirely successful renaissance since some areas still require improvement.

Last year's version of the game placed more of an emphasis on the use of power forwards and centers to dominate the interior underneath the hoop. But this was met with a negative reaction from Live players sick of driving to the basket in search of a jamboree, only to find they had mistakenly been invited to a block party.

In other words, it was too easy for shot-blocking big men to mercilessly swat would-be drives to the rim. Fear not, fellow Livers, for this year's game is much more guard-intensive.

An effective mid-range jumper game combines with a new relative ease in finishing around the basket to make the 2006 version the Year of the Guard, as opposed to 2005, which was definitely the Year of the Forward.

By far the best aspect of this year's game is its new Freestyle feature. The 2006 reincarnation of NBA Live offers a new twist: hold L1 and then hit any of the four buttons on the right side of the controller (triangle, circle, square, or X).

In turn, this will enable the player to, in the words of rapper Bun B, "go hard through the paint like Carmelo." Different options are available for different kinds of Freestyling, allowing you to "have it your way" through a variety of customization options that even Burger King cannot match.

For example, using the Playmaker Freestyle feature with a flashy point guard will allow the player to sort through a nastier palette of dishes than one can find while scrubbing plates on the dishline of North Dining hall. Freestyling with a scorer such as the Spurs' Manu Ginobili provides you with a variety of creative finishes at the basket, allowing you to make like breaded chicken and shake and bake your way to the rack.

Similarly, using Freestyle with a high-flyer such as Dwyane Wade will enable the player to defy the law of gravity enroute to a series of high-flying aerial slam dunks. With more no-look passes and ankle-breaking dribble moves, the new and improved Freestyle feature is no doubt the most fun new part of the game.

But what makes the 2006 version so much fun — increased creativity in scoring — is also the game's biggest flaw. The influx of myriad new offensive weapons makes scoring in Live '06 too easy. It's fairly routine to rack up ludicrous point totals of 40 or 50 points with a single player.

The game overall suffers from a lack of realism. The experience overall definitely smacks more of the arcade than of the hardwood.

EA Sports' tagline is, "If it's in the game, it's in the game" as a testament to the realistic nature of its games. NBA Live 2006's mantra should be, "If it happens on SportsCenter's top 10, it happens a lot in the game."

Also, by performing breathtaking moves ad nauseum with but the slightest effort, they lose some of their excitement.

But despite its flaws, NBA Live 2006 is a fun way to get your hoop on and settle some of that preseason trash-talking you've had with your roommate by going Manu y Manu on the Playstation 2.

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NBA Live 2006

PS2, Xbox, Gamecube

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NBA LIVE 06



Photo courtesy of gameplaymonthly.com

NBA Live 2006 has more gameplay balance than its predecessor, as players are now able to drive to the paint more easily and use their guards more effectively.



Photo courtesy of gameplaymonthly.com

NBA Live 2006 contains features including a three-point contest, slam-dunk contest and All-Star game. There are also Dynasty and Season modes.

DPAC SPOTLIGHTS

George Lucas' first film coming to DPAC

By MARTY SCHROEDER
Scene Critic

When released in 1971, George Lucas' "THX 1138" was light-years ahead of any American film at the time. It came during a period when the old studio system of Hollywood was failing and the new generation of young, adventurous filmmakers was taking over.

Names like Scorsese, Coppola, Spielberg and Lucas were just beginning to be passed around in film circles, and it was this film — the first to come out of Francis Ford Coppola's production company American Zoetrope — that put these new filmmakers on the map.

Directed by Lucas and produced by Coppola, "THX 1138" follows a man living in a future that has outlawed emotion, sex and even love. Robert Duvall plays the character named THX 1138, a factory worker who makes the robotic policemen that oversee the film's futuristic society. His living partner, LUH 3417 (Maggie McOmie), alters his drug regimen and THX 1138 begins to feel emotion.

Eventually he and LUH 3417, who fall in love, plot an escape. They suffer

hardships as they fight the "Big Brother," which is present everywhere in the guise of the mechanical policemen and cameras that patrol all levels of society. THX 1138 becomes increasingly resolved in his plan to escape throughout the film, especially when he meets society's outcasts in a permanent hold for the people who choose not to conform to Big Brother's standards.

The story of this film is constructed well — the script was co-written by Lucas and sound designer Walter Murch. But the visuals make this film stand out.

The design of this film is George Lucas at his best. The futuristic city is devoid of color, as are the ubiquitous white jumpsuits that the citizens wear. At times, this creates the very unusual

effect of floating heads as the white uniforms blend in with the white walls of the city.

The police are mechanical but possess a human quality that is very unnerving. These robots also possess a single-mindedness that makes them the perfect law enforcement. The casting choices, which feature mostly Caucasians, compound the oneness and lack of individuality of the society presented.

"THX 1138" was highly influenced by the French New Wave directors such as Godard and Truffaut. They fascinated

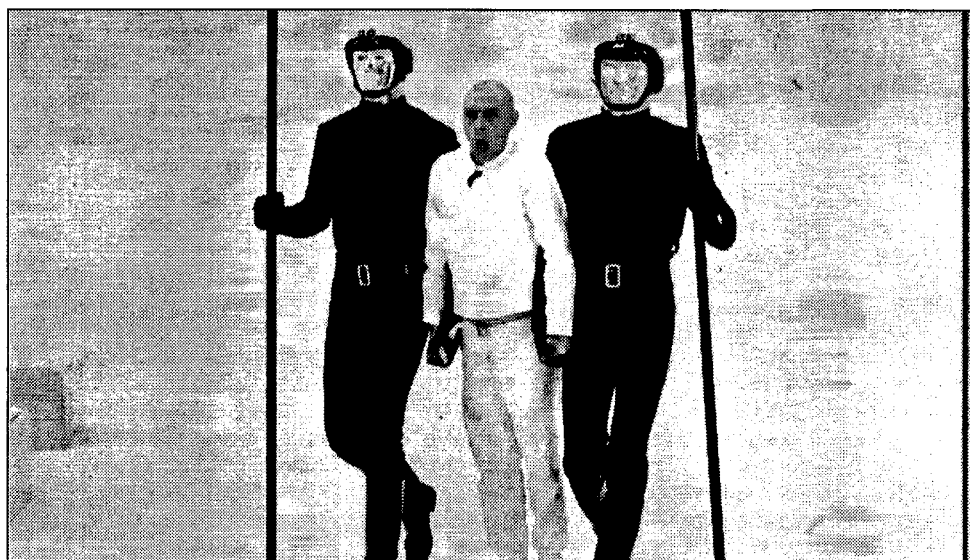


Photo courtesy of www.thx-1138.org

George Lucas' "THX 1138" will be shown at the DPAC on Thursday. A sci-fi vision of a totalitarian future, it helped launch a new generation of filmmakers.

the aforementioned generation of American filmmakers and brought about a change in American cinema that would make the entire industry adapt to a new method of filmmaking. Changes occurred as Hollywood began to subsume this new, more artistic mode.

These changes are perhaps most visible in the rise of the auteur (a French cinematic term that means "author") in American cinema, which is evident in films like "THX 1138," which was both written and directed by Lucas.

"THX 1138" is an excellent film that

received very little attention during its original release. It is a blessing to later generations that Lucas refused to compromise and decided to make it in the way they he wanted to make it.

This film pushed audiences to the limits, and the legacy of a few brilliant and upstart filmmakers will forever be immortalized in "THX 1138."

"THX 1138" will be screened in the Browning Cinema at the DPAC on Thursday at 7 p.m.

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Browning to screen Kubrick's 1968 sci-fi masterpiece

By BRIAN DOXTADER
Assistant Scene Editor

If told today that a renowned director was attempting a 140-minute, nearly-silent science fiction film that featured no stars, critics and audiences might be skeptical (and rightfully so). Yet Stanley Kubrick managed to parlay his high-risk venture into one of the most enduring and compelling films of the 1960s.

The year 2001 has come and gone, but Kubrick's indelible vision of the then-future endures. Opening to mixed critical opinion in 1968, "2001: A Space Odyssey" has since become renowned as Kubrick's masterpiece and a revolutionary film that stretched the boundaries of what a mainstream motion picture could be.

Arriving at a time when the rules of Hollywood were changing, "2001: A Space Odyssey" helped rearrange the notions and conventions of the science fiction genre. Previously associated with Buck Rogers-esque serials, it was rarely taken seriously, despite a few exceptions (perhaps most notably Robert Wise's 1951 film "The Day the Earth Stood Still"). Kubrick's magnum opus tries to envision a future as it might be.

Worked up from a short story by renowned author Arthur C. Clarke, the methodically paced film contains some 20 minutes of dialogue in a 140-minute running time. Split into several discernable Acts featuring different phases of mankind, the film is almost

impenetrably elliptical in its presentation.

Tracing human evolution — in one brilliant dissolve — from ape to astronaut, "2001" is one of those rare films that is about neither character nor plot, yet still works. Kubrick's outstanding visual sense, coupled with the film's eerily disconcerting tone, keeps "2001" compelling through its long running time.

"2001: A Space Odyssey" is nominally about a team of astronauts' journey to Jupiter to investigate a giant black monolith. A similar monolith was found buried under the surface of the moon, so a team led by David Bowman (Keir Dullea) and Frank Poole (Gary Lockwood), and supplemented by the AI computer HAL 9000, journeys out to the far reaches of the solar system to investigate.

Surprisingly, it is the computer HAL, nothing more than a glowing red eye and a detached voice (supplied by Douglas Rain), who ends up being the most interesting computer.

Named the American Film Institute's 13th greatest villain of all time, HAL (who is literally one step ahead of IBM) provides some of the film's most disturbingly chilling moments. His cold logic, lack of a manifested form and detached demeanor made him one of the best embodiments of human fear of technology.

The film's final act, in which David Bowman enters the monolith, is as trippily psychedelic as anything committed to celluloid. As the film reaches its obliquely ambiguous conclusion,



Photo courtesy of dvdbeaver.com

The DPAC's Browning Cinema will host a screening of Stanley Kubrick's masterpiece "2001: A Space Odyssey" (1968) as part of the PAC Classic 100 series.

Kubrick's epiphanic grandiosity comes full circle in fulfillment of the director's majestic vision.

It is only in that final shot that the audience is given a chance to understand the film in a way that transcends the trappings of most mainstream cinema.

"2001: A Space Odyssey" is undoubtedly a masterpiece, but it's not even Kubrick's best film — that honor goes to the black-as-night satire "Dr. Strangelove or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb." Like

that classic Cold War comedy, "2001" is both timely and timeless in equal measure.

In an indication of the film's renown, it has been parodied endlessly, in everything from "The Simpsons" to "Zoolander." But for anyone who only knows "2001: A Space Odyssey" from the strains of Richard Strauss' "Also Sprach Zarathustra," it is required viewing.

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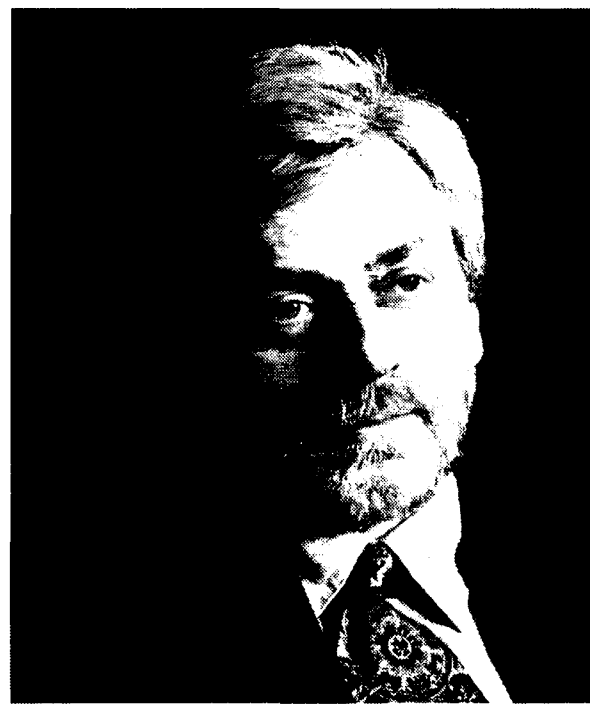
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2001: A Space Odyssey
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NBA

Bryant scores 37, Lakers win 103-97 in Atlanta

Murphy dominates from three-point arc to lead Golden State over Milwaukee

Associated Press

ATLANTA — The Atlanta Hawks' new star couldn't slow Kobe Bryant.

The Hawks' old smoking game clock didn't have any better luck, only causing delays that gave Bryant time to rest and point the Los Angeles Lakers' fast-break offense in a winning direction.

Bryant scored 37 points, including two drives to spark a 14-2 second-half run, and the Lakers spoiled Atlanta's home opener, beating Joe Johnson and the Hawks on Tuesday night.

On a night the Philips Arena game clock and shot clock rarely worked, the public address announcer had to call out the scores. Coach Phil Jackson and the Lakers laughed after the game about the often-comical attempts by Hawks' management to keep the game moving.

There were several delays and reports of equipment smoking behind press row.

Asked if he had ever experienced a similar collapse of technology, a smiling Jackson said "It was probably here in Atlanta, the last time it happened."

Some Los Angeles players joked the announcer kept an exaggerated slow count of the shot clock when the Hawks had the ball but raced through the count when the Lakers were on offense.

The scene reminded Bryant of summer league games in Philadelphia.

"I had no clue what the score was. It just made it a little harder to manage the game a little bit strategically," he said.

Bryant topped the 30-point mark for the fourth straight game and had 37 for the second straight game — right on his NBA-best average of 36.3.

Atlanta, sparked by Johnson's season-high 26 points, led 29-19 in the first quarter and 51-48 at halftime. But following the last tie at 63, Bryant scored on back-to-back drives to send the Lakers on the run that made it 77-65.

The Lakers kept the lead in double figures most of the rest

of the game until the Hawks closed the gap late with Bryant on the bench.

With 7:54 to play, Bryant scored on a breakaway jam, drawing a foul from Hawks rookie Marvin Williams, to give him 37 points. With the Lakers' lead at 12 points, Bryant sat out most of the final seven minutes.

"In the third quarter they wanted it more than we did," Johnson said.

The Hawks, 0-4 for the second straight year, are coming off a franchise-worst 13-win season.

"Right now it ain't looking good," Johnson said. "We've got a lot of work to do. We've got to go back in the lab and get to work."

Warriors 110, Bucks 103

Baron Davis showed T.J. Ford that he's still got a lot to learn at point guard — and the Milwaukee Bucks found out they have trouble defending the 3-point shot.

Davis had 20 points and 15 assists and the Golden State Warriors went 13-of-27 from 3-point range.

Troy Murphy scored 25 points — including 4-of-7 from beyond the arc — and Jason Richardson added 23 for the Warriors (3-1).

Mo Williams and Michael Redd each had 21 points for the Bucks (3-1).

Milwaukee coach Terry Stotts, who served on the Warriors staff last season, worried before the game about the matchup problems the 6-foot-11 Murphy presented.

Murphy scored eight straight points, including consecutive 3s, and Mike Dunleavy hit a third straight shot from beyond the arc as Golden State stretched a one-point lead to 72-59 late in the third quarter.

The Bucks, who had come from behind in all three previous games, had never been down by as much, as late at that point.

But they mounted another run — without Redd, who scored just two points after picking up his fifth foul with 7:09 left. After a three-point play by Williams and a layup by Charlie Bell, the Bucks trailed 90-87 before Murphy hit another

3-pointer and added a three-point play on the next possession to stretch the lead to 96-87.

The Bucks got it back to 96-94, but Davis made a 3-pointer and Derek Fisher added another 3 to end the Bucks' threat.

Davis, a two-time All-Star, also throttled Ford, the Eastern Conference's player of the week. Ford went 3-of-14 with eight points and 11 assists — 10 in the first half.

Golden State picked up Davis in February, and he helped spark a 14-4 streak to end last season. With every starter returning, Golden State has picked up right where it left off.

Ford's dynamic play has been the biggest improvement for the surprising Bucks after he missed last season following cervical spine surgery.

But he played on the edge most of the night, like when he intercepted a pass, nearly fell coming up the court, dribbled behind his back and spun a bounce pass under the basket to Redd, who completed the break with a difficult reverse layup.

During that stretch, Ford had assists on four of five baskets as Milwaukee turned a four-point deficit into a 53-50 lead, but Davis answered with a 3-pointer to tie the game at 53 at halftime.

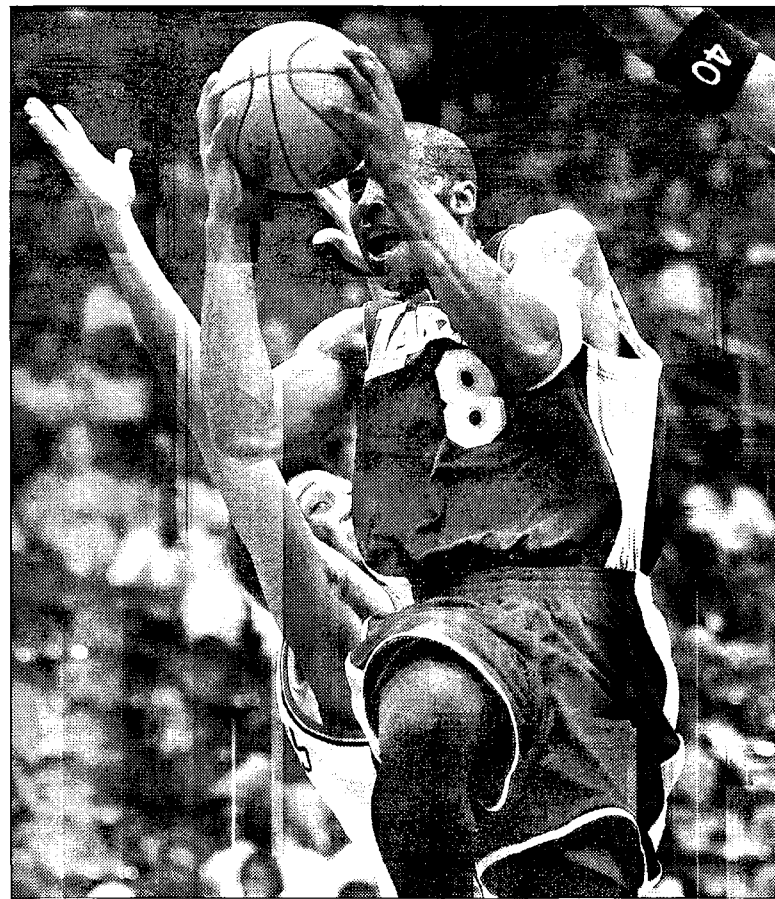
Grizzlies 94, SuperSonics 69

Shane Battier and Pau Gasol each scored 20 points and sparked a third-quarter rally to lead the Memphis Grizzlies to a victory over the Seattle SuperSonics.

Battier scored 13 points in the third quarter as Memphis built its lead to 68-51. Battier outscored the Sonics by himself until the final minute of the period. Meanwhile, Gasol had 10 in the quarter which Memphis closed with a 10-2 run.

The win was the third straight for Memphis, and gave the Grizzlies (3-1) their second-best start in franchise history. They were 4-1 to open the 2000-01 season. It also snapped a six-game losing streak to the Sonics, who had won five straight in Memphis.

Mike Miller added 14 points



Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant drives past the Atlanta Hawks' Josh Childress Tuesday night. Bryant scored 37 points.

for the Grizzlies and Eddie Jones had 10.

Ray Allen led the Sonics (1-2) with 15 points, less than half of his 31.5 average through Seattle's first two games. Rashard Lewis had 13 points, all in the first half, and 10 rebounds. He missed all four of his shots after the break, and he and Allen were on the bench for good with about seven minutes left.

Magic 76, Rockets 74

Steve Francis broke into a smile in the final seconds of the Orlando Magic's victory over the Houston Rockets.

Yeah, it was definitely sweet to beat his former team.

Francis scored 27 points and had two assists to Jameer Nelson in the final two minutes as the Magic won for the first time in four games.

The Rockets (1-2) lost their second straight without Tracy McGrady, who's out three weeks with a back injury.

Francis played for Houston

from 1999-2004 and was traded in a blockbuster deal that brought McGrady to Houston in June 2004. He was booed when he was introduced and almost every time he touched the ball on Tuesday night, but shrugged off the jeers to go 12-of-26 from the field.

Dwight Howard and DeShawn Stevenson each had 12 points and Nelson scored all 10 of his in the final quarter for the Magic, who won despite shooting 37.8 percent.

Yao Ming had 17 points for Houston, which looked shaky on offense for the second straight game without McGrady. The Rockets finished 26-of-70 from the field (37 percent).

The Rockets still had a chance to win, leading 71-67 after a layup by Rafer Alston with 2:06 left.

The Rockets double-teamed Francis in the closing minutes, but Francis twice dribbled into the lane and found Nelson open for 3-pointers that put Orlando up 73-71.

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Men's Basketball AP Poll

	team	2005 record	points
1	Duke	27-6	1,785
2	Texas	20-11	1,652
3	Connecticut	23-8	1,578
4	Michigan State	26-7	1,572
5	Villanova	24-8	1,413
6	Oklahoma	25-8	1,378
7	Louisville	33-5	1,319
8	Gonzaga	26-5	1,275
9	Kentucky	28-6	1,255
10	Arizona	30-7	1,212
11	Boston College	25-5	1,093
12	Memphis	22-16	920
13	Stanford	18-13	842
14	West Virginia	24-11	652
15	Alabama	24-8	621
16	Syracuse	27-7	586
17	Illinois	37-2	563
18	Wake Forest	27-6	524
19	UCLA	18-11	499
20	Iowa	21-12	395
21	George Washington	22-8	304
22	Nevada	25-7	291
23	Indiana	15-14	273
24	Maryland	19-13	528
25	Iowa State	19-12	251

Men's Basketball Coaches Poll

	team	2005 record	points
1	Duke	27-6	767
2	Connecticut	23-8	692
3	Texas	20-11	683
4	Villanova	24-8	644
5	Michigan State	26-7	632
6	Oklahoma	25-8	617
7	Gonzaga	26-5	540
8	Louisville	33-5	536
9	Arizona	30-7	532
10	Kentucky	28-6	511
11	Boston College	25-5	484
12	Memphis	22-16	354
13	Stanford	18-13	331
14	Alabama	24-8	295
15	West Virginia	24-11	265
16	Syracuse	27-7	210
17	Illinois	37-2	201
18	UCLA	18-11	190
18	Wake Forest	27-6	190
20	Iowa	21-12	176
21	Maryland	19-13	167
22	Indiana	15-14	153
23	Iowa	19-12	118
24	George Washington	22-8	109
25	Nevada	25-7	88

Big East Women's Volleyball

	team	Big East record	pct.
1	NOTRE DAME	11-1	.917
2	Louisville	11-1	.917
3	Syracuse	10-2	.833
4	Cincinnati	9-3	.750
5	Pittsburgh	9-3	.750
6	St. John's	7-5	.583
7	Marquette	7-5	.583
8	Villanova	7-5	.583
9	Connecticut	5-7	.417
10	Rutgers	5-7	.417
11	West Virginia	4-8	.333
12	Seton Hall	2-10	.167
13	Georgetown	2-11	.154
14	DePaul	1-11	.083
15	USF	1-12	.077

MLB



Bartolo Colon celebrates winning the Cy Young Award in Altamira, Dominican Republic. This is Colon's first ever Cy Young Award and the first Cy Young won by an Angels pitcher since 1964.

Angels' Colon awarded AL Cy Young

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Bartolo Colon always had the blazing fastball, the snappy sinker, the natural look of a No. 1 starter.

Still, something was missing, something.

So he learned to pull back a bit, focus on throwing strikes and getting grounders. Now, he's the dominant ace everyone envisioned, and he has an American League Cy Young Award to prove it.

Colon won a surprising one-sided vote Tuesday, beating out reliever

Mariano Rivera and becoming the first Angels pitcher in 41 years to take home the honor.

"If I can get an out with one or two pitches and use my sinker or my cutter, I'm better off," Colon said through a translator. "I stopped being a village boy, thinking that I can throw any stone, any rock through a wall, and started thinking about being a guy that could last longer, to take some off my fastball and not to depend only on throwing hard."

Colon, who led the league with 21 wins, was listed first on 17 ballots

and second on the other 11 for 118 points in voting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America. He was the only pitcher named on every ballot, easily topping Rivera, who received 68 points.

The New York Yankees' closer got eight first-place votes for the highest finish of his career, while 2004 winner Johan Santana of the Minnesota Twins received three and came in third.

"After the season, yeah, I've been thinking about it a lot," Colon said during a conference call from the

Dominican Republic. "And one of the prevailing thoughts was the fact that maybe I won't get it. Maybe it was going to go to somebody else. A lot of crazy things came into my head."

Though Colon (21-8) was the league's only 20-game winner, this year's Cy Young race was thought to be close. His 3.48 ERA and 157 strikeouts ranked eighth, while Rivera racked up 43 saves and a career-best 1.38 ERA. Santana went 16-7 with a 2.87 ERA and led the majors with 238 strikeouts.

IN BRIEF

Bowden and Beattie apply for Red Sox GM job

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. — Washington Nationals general manager Jim Bowden and former Baltimore Orioles boss Jim Beattie will interview with the Boston Red Sox to replace departed GM Theo Epstein.

Red Sox president Larry Lucchino and chairman Tom Werner will interview Bowden on Wednesday in Palm Springs, team spokesman Glenn Geffner said Tuesday night. Beattie will interview Friday in Boston.

Other candidates might be interviewed Wednesday and Thursday in California, but their names won't be announced until the meetings are scheduled, Geffner said.

The Red Sox have received permission to interview two officials of unidentified teams.

Bowden, Cincinnati's general manager from 1992-03, replaced Omar Minaya as GM of the Montreal Expos/Washington Nationals after the 2004 season. Minaya left to become GM of the New York Mets.

Congress introduces new, eased steroid plan

WASHINGTON — Aiming for a Senate vote on steroid legislation this week, lawmakers eased the proposed penalties Tuesday, calling for a half-season suspension the first time an athlete tests positive for performance-enhancing drugs.

The bill, sponsored by Sens. Jim Bunning, R-Ky., and John McCain, R-Ariz., contains a one-season ban for a second steroid offense and a lifetime ban for a third. It would apply to Major League Baseball, the NFL, NBA, NHL and baseball's minor leagues.

Several bills that would standardize steroid rules across U.S. professional sports have been proposed in the House and Senate in recent months. Most — including the original version of the Senate measure — were based on the Olympic model: a two-year suspension for a first drug offense, a lifetime ban for a second.

"I think, seriously, that they are under the opinion that we will not act," said Bunning, a former pitcher

elected to baseball's Hall of Fame. "We tried to explain to them that we are going to act because of their failure to do so, and I don't think it's sunk in."

Auriemma leads spring inductee list

STORRS, Conn. — Connecticut coach Geno Auriemma leads the list of those to be inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame this spring.

The other inductees are former Texas All-American Clarissa Davis-Wrightsil, Louisiana Tech star Janice Lawrence Braxton, former Georgia All-American Katrina McClain Johnson, Bentley College coach Barbara Stevens and Brazilian Olympian Patricia Paula Goncalves da Silva, a person with firsthand knowledge of the induction process told The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity.

The class will be officially announced on Saturday during the women's basketball Tipoff Classic at Texas Tech.

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PGA

Augusta National to add more yards

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — For more than 40 years, the yardage on the scorecard at Augusta National Golf Club stayed about 6,925 yards for the Masters, which fooled no one.

"I think '51 was the first year I played, and the 11th tee was almost behind the 10th green," Dow Finsterwald said Tuesday morning. "Then one year, they moved it way back in the woods to the left, and the yardage never changed. And on No. 15, the tee used to be in front of the service road. They moved it behind the road, and it was still 6,925. But it was such a great tournament, nobody ever really raised the question."

"What difference does it make, anyway? Everyone plays from the same tees."

Some of the tees won't be the same at the 70th Masters this April, and players won't need a scorecard to notice. The official yardage is 7,445 yards, courtesy of changes to six holes that added about 155 yards.

It's the third time in the last six years that Augusta National has strengthened its golf course — 520 yards since 1999 — each an attempt to restore the rhythm and shot value the way Bobby Jones and Alister Mackenzie designed it.

As usual, the new tees look as if they had been there all along.

Players will know better, especially when they leave the practice green for the first tee, which is now a short walk. The tee box has been moved back about 20 yards to make the hole play 455 yards, although change at Augusta National is not all about length.

The eye-opener is that cavernous bunker down the right side, where a finger of turf now dips into the sand and creates the appearance of a double bunker. Balls rarely will be in the middle of the sand, allowing for a routine escape; now there will be steep lips in the way.

Players might get lost on the way to the fourth tee.

It used to be positioned directly behind the third green. Now, take a hard right and go some 40 yards into the woods. Or what used to be woods. Already the meanest par 3 on the course, it now plays up to 240 yards.

Jones gave Sports Illustrated a hole-by-hole description in 1959 and said of the par-3 fourth, "The shot is usually a strong iron, or even a 4- or 3-wood."

"It's usually a 6-iron, depending on the wind," Retief Goosen said when asked last week how he played No. 4. "Sometimes, it can be a 5-iron, or even a 4-iron, when the pin is to the right."

Maybe the Goose should talk to Ben Crane, who played five rounds in four days a few weeks ago. Crane, no short hitter at 61st in driving distance on the PGA Tour this year, hit 3-wood to the green, except the one time the tees were slightly forward. Then he hit 2-iron.

The seventh hole is about a football field longer than when Jose Maria Olazabal won in 1999, thanks to a tee that has been moved back 40 yards so that it now plays 450 yards. Just look down a chute of towering pines and search for five white specks (bunkers) to find the green.

Finsterwald will be glad to know that No. 11 is now 505 yards, with a tee pushed even farther back into the woods. Again, it's not strictly about length. The club has added 17 additional pines down the right side, bringing the small forest to 43 trees and making the right side — a bailout area when the pin was back left — no longer a safe alternative.

The other two changes simply put an extra club in the players' hands, if that.

The par-5 15th is back about 30 yards and over to the left, so anyone hitting a power draw can still get plenty of roll and reach the green.

NFL

Colts, Manning focus on future

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Peyton Manning stood at his postgame news conference with a rare smile and an unusual twinkle in his eyes. He had finally won at New England, and for once, Manning wanted to savor the moment.

By Tuesday morning, the celebration ended as the Indianapolis Colts looked ahead to their next game against Houston.

"I love plane rides in the NFL after a win," Manning said Monday night. "Hopefully we'll fly slow — a two-hour flight — and then touch the ground and it's on to Houston."

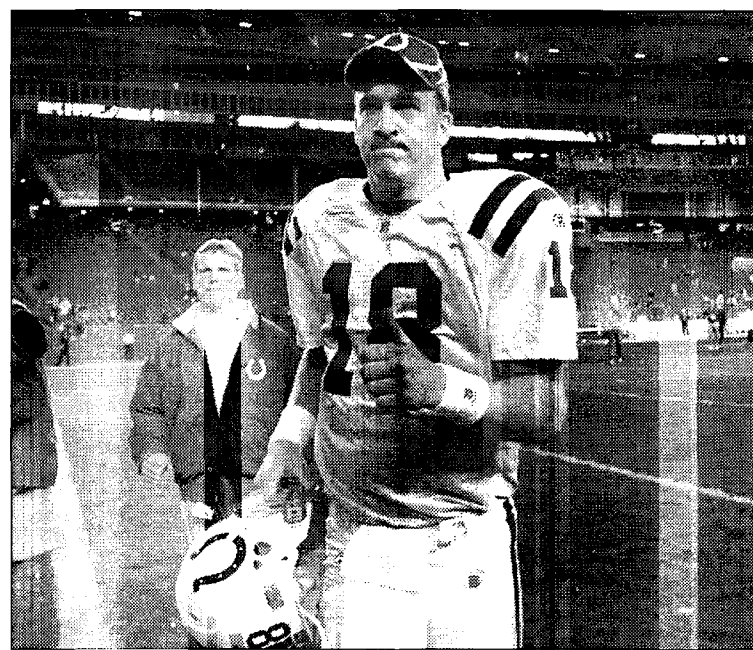
For Manning and the Colts (8-0), the expectations following a 40-21 victory over the two-time defending Super Bowl champs pose the biggest threat now.

Indy fans treated the Patriots game as if it was the Super Bowl, and a conveniently timed bye week played into the buildup. Some figured a victory at New England also meant the Colts punched their ticket to Detroit, site of this year's Super Bowl.

On Tuesday, coach Tony Dungy wasted no time in debunking such thoughts as premature.

"You get all these stats about the last team that won their first eight or nine games or the last unbeaten team going to the Super Bowl," Dungy said. "It's like the Indy-New England spiel, it really doesn't mean anything."

Nonetheless, Dungy was still peppered with questions about whether the unbeaten Colts



AP

Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning gives a thumbs up after beating the Patriots 40-21 Monday night.

could challenge the 1972 Miami Dolphins' perfect record, especially with a tough stretch ahead — a Nov. 20 date at Cincinnati followed by a Monday night game at home against Pittsburgh. He tactfully avoided the bait.

Rather than looking ahead, reflecting on the best start in franchise history or the victory at New England, Dungy turned the attention back to Houston.

"We have to do what we did last week and that is to focus on the opponent you're playing and that game," he said. "What's happened in the past, what could happen in the future, we have to block all that stuff out. I think we have some guys on this team that will help us do that."

It starts with Manning.

No matter the circumstances, Manning always seems to find the right words to challenge his teammates, and Monday night proved no exception.

Much as he enjoyed his latest personal milestone, winning at New England for the first time in eight games, Manning's quick mention of Houston was an indication that everyone needed to move on.

"There always will be something else, like this was not a playoff game," Manning said. "I am very content to have won this particular game."

The difference between this season and past seasons is that the Colts no longer must rely on the strength of Manning's right arm to win games.

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MLB

Urbina jailed in Venezuela

Philadelphia pitcher accused of attacking five with machetes

Associated Press

CARACAS, — Philadelphia Phillies pitcher Ugueth Urbina was arrested and held Tuesday pending a formal charge of attempted murder.

Last month, Urbina and a group of men allegedly attacked five workers with machetes and poured gasoline on them in an attempt to set them on fire. All five were injured, some of them with cuts and one with burns on the back and right arm, police said.

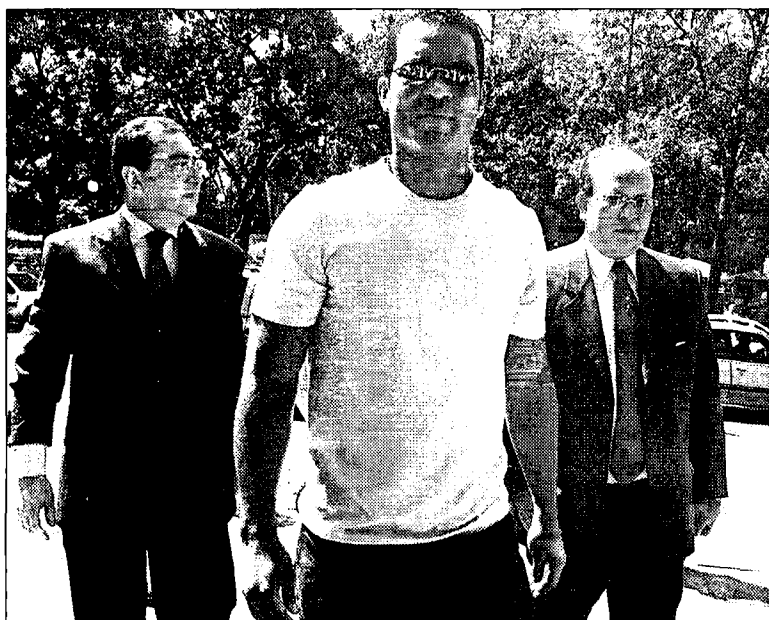
Urbina, who was detained late Monday, has insisted he had nothing to do with the violence at his family's ranch Oct. 16.

"Everything will be cleared up soon and people will know the truth," Urbina said from his cell at a police station. "Right now we aren't going to do anything to deny things that aren't true."

The authorities said Urbina would be formally charged once he appears before a judge, and Urbina said he understood that hearing could be held Tuesday.

Urbina's lawyer, Jose Luis Tamayo, said the pitcher was sleeping at the time of the incident and was not involved. One victim, Argenis Farias, has accused Urbina of being among the attackers.

Urbina was traded from Detroit to Philadelphia in the middle of last season. The



Philadelphia Phillies pitcher Ugueth Urbina, center, is followed by his lawyers in Caracas, Venezuela on Oct. 25. Urbina will stand trial for an alleged attempted murder.

reliever became a free agent after the season ended.

"This, of course, can in some way hurt his career as a professional ballplayer, and all will depend on the way in which he is brought before justice," defense lawyer Jose Luis Tamayo said.

Urbina was with his mother and other relatives late Monday at another of Urbina's homes on the outskirts of Caracas when the police came with an arrest warrant, Tamayo said. He called the arrest "inexplicable."

"Aside from whether a person is guilty of a crime or not, if there is no danger of flight or obstruction of justice, that person has a right to be tried while free," Tamayo said.

The lawyer said Urbina has

cooperated with the authorities all along, noting he has come to the police voluntarily to provide testimony.

New Phillies general manager Pat Gillick, speaking at the GM meetings in Indian Wells, Calif., said he had heard about the arrest but had no reaction because Urbina was no longer part of Philadelphia's organization.

The violence broke out at the ranch house where Urbina's mother, Maura Villareal, lives about 25 miles south of Caracas.

Police initially said the violence broke out in a dispute over a handgun.

The 31-year-old Urbina has a 44-49 record with 237 saves and a 3.45 ERA in 11 seasons.

NFL

Owens apologizes to Eagles, McNabb

Associated Press

MOORESTOWN, N.J. — For once, Terrell Owens put aside his pride, admitted he was wrong and pleaded for a second chance with the Philadelphia Eagles.

The team appeared unmoved.

A contrite Owens, hoping to overturn his dismissal from the Eagles, on Tuesday apologized to coach Andy Reid, quarterback Donovan McNabb, the team's owner and president, and fans.

"The mentality that I have, my greatest strength can also be my greatest weakness," Owens said, reading a statement outside his house. "I'm a fighter. I've always been and I'll always be. I fight for what I think is right. In doing so, I alienated a lot of my fans and my teammates."

"This is very painful for me to be in this position," he said. "I know in my heart that I can help the team win the Super Bowl and not only be a dominant player, but also be a team player. I can bring that."

His agent, Drew Rosenhaus, said Owens made a public apology in hopes of returning to the Eagles immediately.

"We hope he plays again for the Philadelphia Eagles," Rosenhaus said. "We hope he plays right away. We hope he plays against the Dallas Cowboys on Monday night."

Team spokesman Derek Boyko said the Eagles had no comment.

A day earlier, Owens was told by the team not to return this season because of "a large number of situations that accumulated over a long period of time," Reid said.

He said Owens had been "warned repeatedly about the consequences of his actions."

The All-Pro wide receiver didn't play in Sunday night's 17-10 loss at Washington,

and will remain suspended for three more games without pay. After that, the Eagles plan to deactivate him for the rest of the season.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said Tuesday that the players' union has filed a grievance on behalf of Owens seeking to overturn the suspension. It will be heard Nov. 18 before arbitrator Richard Bloch.

Owens was suspended Saturday, two days after he said the Eagles showed "a lack of class" for not publicly recognizing his 100th career touchdown catch in a game on Oct. 23. In the same interview with ESPN.com, Owens said the Eagles would be better off with Green Bay's Brett Favre at quarterback instead of McNabb.

Owens apologized to the organization for making those comments, but didn't address McNabb, even though the statement he read from included a direct apology to the five-time Pro Bowl quarterback.

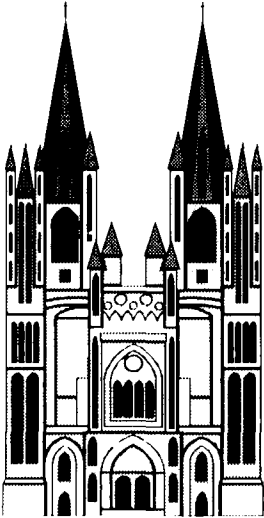
This time, Owens said he was sorry not only to Reid and McNabb, but also to Eagles president Joe Banner and owner Jeffrey Lurie.

"I would like to reiterate my respect for Donovan McNabb as a quarterback and as a teammate," Owens said. "I apologize to him for any comments that may have been negative."

The Eagles are 4-4 this season and last in the NFC East. Last year, they were the top team in the conference, going 13-3 on the way to the Super Bowl.

"It really hurts me not to be part of the team anymore," Owens said. "I came here to help the Eagles get to the Super Bowl and win the big game."

While Rosenhaus spoke to reporters and refused to answer several questions, Owens stood stoically alongside a burly bodyguard.



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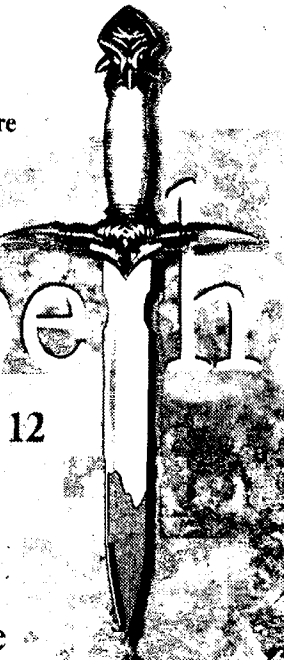
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MLB

World Baseball Classic scheduled for next year

Associated Press

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. — Mike Piazza could find himself on a new team next year — Italy.

The All-Star catcher could be eligible to play for the Italians in the inaugural World Baseball Classic under eligibility rules being discussed by the commissioner's office and the players' association.

Angel Stadium in Anaheim, Calif., will be used with Bithorn Stadium as a second-round site for the tournament, to be played from March 3-20, the commissioner's office announced Tuesday. The semifinals and final will be at San Diego's Petco Park, baseball and the union said in September.

Chase Field in Phoenix (formerly Bank One Ballpark) and Scottsdale Stadium will join the Tokyo Dome, Hiram Bithorn Stadium in San Juan, Puerto Rico, and the Atlanta Braves' spring training ballpark in Kissimmee, Fla., as first-round sites, said Paul Archey, a senior vice president of Major League Baseball International.

For soccer's World Cup, players must be a citizen of a country and hold a passport for that country to participate. Rather than let each nation's eligibility rules be the determinant, baseball will likely apply the broadest rules of any participating country to all teams in the 16-nation event.

Under these rules, players born in the Dominican Republic who are United States citizens still would be eligible to be on the Dominican team. These rules probably will lower the quali-

ty of the U.S. team and boost the depth of other nations in the tournament.

While rules have not been finalized, among the ways players could be eligible for a team would be if they hold a passport, were born in the country, have a parent who was born in that country or they had residency in that country.

"The union told us they determined that Mike could play for the Italian team," said Piazza's agent, Dan Lozano. He was unsure of the specific reason why Piazza, who was born in Norristown, Pa., was eligible.

"Eligibility rules are still being discussed. It will be similar to IBAF rules."

Paul Archey
senior VP of MLB

"The Italians believe that if Mike Piazza was to apply for dual citizenship, he would be granted it," players' association chief operating officer Gene Orza said. Orza said he thought the reason was because Piazza has a grandparent who was born in Italy.

Baseball hopes to announce at the winter meetings in December commitments from players to participate.

"Eligibility rules are still being discussed. It will be similar to the IBAF rules," Archey said, referring to the International Baseball Federation.

With seven teams changing their top baseball operations people since August, many clubs were still formulating their offseason plans heading into the five-day session. Agent Scott Boras predicted that will lead to a slow market for free-agent signings.

"With so many new GMs, there's a belief that with many clubs there have been philosophical changes that may free up players who were previously unattainable," he said.

NHL

Flyers defeat Boston, 4-3

Overtime score gives Flyers comeback win

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Joni Pitkanen scored the tying goal with 23.4 seconds left and added the winner 1:55 into overtime to give the Philadelphia Flyers a 4-3 victory over the Boston Bruins on Tuesday night.

The Flyers won their fourth straight game and seventh in a row at home, overcoming a two-goal deficit in the final 3:35 of regulation on goals by Pitkanen and Simon Gagne.

Sergei Samsonov, Shawn McEachern and Joe Thornton scored for the Bruins, who haven't lost in regulation in nine games since Oct. 20.

With goalie Robert Esche on the bench and an extra skater on the ice, Pitkanen took a long pass from Peter Forsberg, streaked down the left side and wristed a shot into the far corner under the crossbar to tie it at 3.

In overtime, Pitkanen took a pass from behind the net and tucked it past goalie Hannu Toivonen to win it.

Mike Knuble also scored for Philadelphia, which played without captain Keith Primeau and top defenseman Eric Desjardins. Both players have concussions.

Samsonov scored during a two-man advantage 56 seconds into the third to give the Bruins a 2-1 lead. Thornton set it up with a



The Flyers' Mike Knuble, center, is congratulated by teammates after his first-period goal in the team's win over Boston Tuesday.

nifty pass in front.

Soon after, Esche made a sliding save with his left pad on a shot by Thornton to keep the deficit at one.

But Thornton scored an unassisted goal to make it 3-1 with 4:48 left. Gagne cut it to 3-2 a minute later with his NHL-leading 16th goal.

Boston tied it at 1 on McEachern's power-play goal late in the second. McEachern's slap shot

sailed past Esche's glove.

Knuble deflected a slap shot by Kim Johnsson past Toivonen for a power-play goal that gave the Flyers a 1-0 lead in the final minute of the first.

Knuble played his first game against his former teammates. He spent 4 1/2 years with the Bruins and was a member of Boston's top line with Thornton and Glen Murray.

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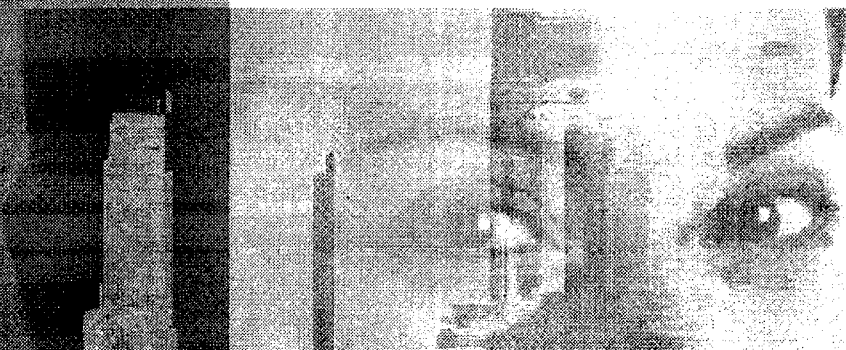
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FOOTBALL NOTEBOOK

Quinn named a finalist for prestigious O'Brien Award

By HEATHER
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Sports Writer

Junior quarterback Brady Quinn was named one of 15 finalists named for the 2005 Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award Tuesday.

Quinn joins the likes of Matt Leinart of USC, Vince Young of Texas and Drew Stanton of Michigan State as a finalist for the prestigious award.

Quinn has completed 195-of-299 passes this season for 2,647 yards, and is just 106 yards

away from breaking Jarious Jackson's single-season passing record of 2,753.

The junior is 538 yards away from the career passing record of 7,064, held by Ron Powlus, who is now the Director of Personnel Development for the Irish.

Quinn has also thrown for 23 touchdowns and four interceptions in his third year as the Notre Dame starting quarterback.

Three finalists for the O'Brien Award will be announced Nov. 22, and the winner will be named on Dec. 8.

A little history

Before coming to Notre Dame, Irish head coach Charlie Weis worked under New England Patriots head coach Bill Belichick. Belichick's dad Steve was an assistant coach at Navy for 33 years.

"Trust me, he'll work me up at the game and be all over me," Weis said of Bill Belichick. "I'm sure he'll be around."

Weis said he watched part of the New England-Indianapolis game on Monday night, but that he had to turn it off after the Patriots were down big.

"I watched about part of the

first half and then I got sick, so I just said that's enough," Weis said. "I didn't throw in the towel on who would win, but there came a point where it was time to go home and get in bed and go to sleep."

The final score was 40-21 in favor of the Colts.

Knowing what to expect

Weis said Tuesday that it's no secret as to what Navy will try to do on Saturday. On the contrary, Weis prides himself in designing a new game plan each week, tailored to the Irish's opponents.

"They are a little bit contrasting to me in the fact that they're going to come out and take play action shots, and one of the reasons why they're averaging 20 yards a catch with all those skilled receivers is because everyone spends so much time trying to stop the run," he said. "All of a sudden everyone is trying to stop the run, and next thing you know they're behind you. They execute very well and I have a lot of respect for their offense."

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Navy

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year they have earned a bid — a school record.

"All our focus has to be on going against the team that's got similar goals as we do," Weis said.

Navy needs just one win in its remaining games against the Irish, Temple and Army to be bowl eligible, and the Irish must beat Navy and Syracuse at home and Stanford on the road to preserve their BCS bowl hopes. But Weis wants his players focused solely on Navy, because if they overlook the Midshipmen they could be in for problems.

"I think that the most important thing they have to realize is that when they're playing against Navy, they're playing against a team that's put themselves in a position to make some serious noise themselves,

so we're not alone in this situation here," Weis said.

And so for the Irish to win out, it starts this weekend against Navy and its triple option offense. The Midshipmen's undersized quarterback, 5-foot-9, 185-pound Lamar Owens, a co-captain, is a dual threat. On the season he has 585 yards on the ground and 936 yards in the air.

"Their whole offense starts with the quarterback Owens," Weis said. "He's a dual threat every time he touches the ball."

Owens leads a Navy team that has beaten Duke, Air Force, Kent State, Rice and Tulane, losing only to Maryland, Stanford and Rutgers. And Weis said the Irish are not taking the Midshipmen lightly.

"The game is going to be shortened," Weis said. "You have to make the most of your own possessions because you probably won't have as many."

Last week in a 49-21 win over Tulane, Navy scored 28 first-

quarter points — four touchdowns on its first four possessions to put the game out of reach early. Navy finished with 418 yards rushing, throwing the ball just three times and completing one pass for 29 yards.

"Realistically, what they do is run their core things and make you stop them," Weis said. "They very seldom get stopped. You don't average 282 yards a game rushing by people shutting you down."

Weis said for the Irish to be successful, they have to get off to a good start, as Navy is 3-0 this season when it scores first. And Weis said that since Navy is an academy, the team is one of the most disciplined teams the Irish will play this year.

"These guys are so fundamentally sound and they're driven to be successful, it presents some serious problems," he said.

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Swimmers

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to showcase our team depth. I think the voters recognized that in the polls."

The new ranking is part of an upward trend as Notre Dame attempts to slide into the collegiate elite.

"The improvement has been a result of two main factors: the arrival of [fourth-year assistant coach] Matt Tallman and the athletic department's new commitment to their Olympic sports programs," head coach Tim Welsh said.

Among other responsibilities as an assistant, Tallman is in charge of recruiting for the team. His expertise has landed three of the top recruiting classes in Notre Dame's history.

"I've known [Tallman] since I was eight years old, and he's always been good to me," sophomore Graham Parker said. "He is very professional in his work."

The Notre Dame athletic department also has played a role in the recent team improvements. In 2002, the athletic department decided to step up its support by providing the NCAA maximum of

9.9 team scholarships.

"People have probably always been interested in coming to Notre Dame to swim, but they opted to go elsewhere for financial reasons," Tallman said.

The Irish swimmers also cite the hard-working attitude and passion of Welsh as a reason for their success.

"Tim is what we call the philosopher-coach," Irish captain Patrick Heffernan said. "He thinks long and hard about everything he has us do in practice and is really passionate about the program."

Welsh has coached at Notre Dame for the past 20 years — second in duration only to track and field coach Joe Piane in his 31st season — and has had a simple strategy since the day he arrived.

"Everyday, every practice we just try to get a little bit faster and a little bit better," Welsh said.

Despite much improvement, his goal remains the same. Welsh's only prediction for the future of the Irish program is that they will continue to work hard to get faster in the water.

"We have a lot of big meets coming up in the next few months where we can really show off our talent against some of the best teams around," Kegelman said.

The team's next challenge comes Friday in East Lansing against Michigan State.

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from Las Vegas until Thursday, which means the team was only on campus for one day before flying to Georgia on Saturday.

King said while the hectic week may have affected some individuals, she didn't think it had an adverse effect on the team as a whole.

"It's hard to say," she said. "Some people like it hectic. Others like it slow. Regardless, we don't like to make excuses."

The tournament was Notre Dame's last of the fall season. The Irish will not compete again until Feb. 19 in the Central District Classic in Parish, Fla.

"We're ready for the break," King said. "It's been a long semester with a lot of travel. We're ready to start strength and conditioning and work on the mental part of the game."

The team will also work with sports psychologist Mick Franco during their winter break.

Franco has worked with several Irish squads, including both the men's and women's soccer teams.

"[Franco will] work on taking one shot at a time, not being in the past, not being in the future, only thinking in the present, gaining confidence, how to focus," King said.

East Tennessee State finished third in the tournament, followed by Arkansas State, Western Carolina, Florida International, Jacksonville State and Birmingham Southern in No. 4-No. 8, respectively.

Florida State sent a team of less experienced golfers to the tournament. The young Seminoles finished ninth.

Elon, Richmond, James Madison and Wyoming rounded out the field of 13.

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Carroll

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secutive year.

Carroll is quick to credit her new coaching staff, especially head coach Carrie Nixon, a former swimming standout at Notre Dame, for helping her to get off to such a good start this season.

"A lot of it has to do with the new coaching staff," Carroll said. "Now that Carrie's our head coach, she's doing things her own way, and what she's doing will really benefit both myself and the whole team."

Carroll's early success this season should come as no surprise, given her strong finish to the 2004 campaign. She was named the Most Outstanding Swimmer of the Big East Championships along with an impressive performance at the NCAA championships.

Carroll finished ninth in the 200 individual medley, a 13-spot improvement from her freshman year, and 14th in the 400 individual medley, a 21-spot improvement from her freshman year.

"The NCAA's really gave me a

confidence boost last year," she said. "It really helped me seeing that I was able to compete with swimmers across the nation at that high a level."

Not one to rest on last year's accomplishments, Carroll still has a few things she hopes to accomplish with the remainder of this season.

"I want to help the team win the Big East this year, but I think we have goals beyond that," Carroll said. "We have a lot of girls on the brink of qualifying for the NCAA's this year, and with the training we've had so far, I think we can get them to the NCAA's."

Carroll, who posted a pair of top-30 results in the 2004 Olympic trials, also isn't ruling out the possibility of an Olympic appearance.

"2008 [Olympic Games] is a goal in the back of my head, but I'm just taking it one year at a time," she said. "Right now, my focus is on this season and helping Notre Dame as much as I can."

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Francis

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Chris Quinn started at point guard last Thursday against Lewis University, though he spent last season as the off guard in Thomas' offense.

Colin Falls moved to his natural shooting guard spot. And Rob Kurz and Russell Carter — who have one regular season start between the two of them — filled the small forward and power forward positions, respectively.

Only Francis was completely used to his responsibilities.

"That's going to be the key this year, seeing how everyone fits in their role," Francis said before practice Tuesday at the Joyce Center.

The senior captain from Boston, Mass. knows much of Notre Dame's success this season will ride on his performance.

"I have to do better in other ways as far as being a defensive stopper, not letting anyone get to the basket and just being a physical presence out there," Francis said. "That's one of the ways I have to lead the team."

Registering nine blocks, eight points and seven rebounds against Division II Lewis was a start.

Irish coach Mike Brey said after Lewis he was impressed with Francis' ability to patiently handle and pass the ball out of the double team.

"I thought Torin handled the ball against the double team better than he ever has, and that usually bothered him," Brey said. "They watch a lot of tape of us obviously."

Outside of Francis' on-court performance, the senior is going to be responsible for leading a young team that includes four freshmen. While Francis was also a captain as a junior last year, he said more depends on him this season.

"This year, I'm a senior," Francis said. "When Chris Quinn and myself ... are out on the floor, we're supposed to be the leaders. We're supposed to be the coaches on the floor."

Much of this leadership will involve the development of freshman power forward Luke Zeller. Francis spent time before this season working with Zeller and said because they both operate in the low post, he has a lot to teach Indiana's reigning Mr. Basketball.

"[Our older guys] experienced everything, and we really know what to tell the freshman in order to make themselves better," Francis said. "They do look up to us."

Last season is still fresh in Francis' mind. He remembers the disappointment that came along with not making the NCAA tournament and hopes to grow from last season.

"I just learned that every game counts," he said. "You can't take any games off. Not only that, you can't take any possessions off. There were so many games I can think of where we should have won. We had the lead, and we let it slip away."

He learned valuable lessons last season about himself and his game, as well.

Francis averaged 9.3 points and 7.8 rebounds in 26.4 minutes per game last season, down from the 14.2 points and 8.8 rebounds he averaged during his sophomore season. He scored 25 points and grabbed 10 boards as a freshman against Arizona in the Sweet 16.

Following the end of his junior season, Francis declared himself eligible for the NBA draft. He went to Chicago and participated in pre-draft workouts.

But Francis said everybody at the workouts was a solid basketball player, and he realized that foregoing his senior season would mean possibly selling himself short.

"I just realized that I wanted to come back to school," Francis said. "I didn't really accomplish what I wanted to last year. We lost [in the] first round in the NIT and I didn't want to go out like that."

Francis is back and is ready to lead the Irish. He said he is prepared to handle the individual responsibility of taking charge so last season's mistakes do not repeat themselves.

"I need to learn that I have to step up in those situations when we're up by four with a minute to go," Francis said. "I have to step up and say we're not losing this game. We're winning this game. That's the difference between losing and being successful."

Torin Francis
Irish captain

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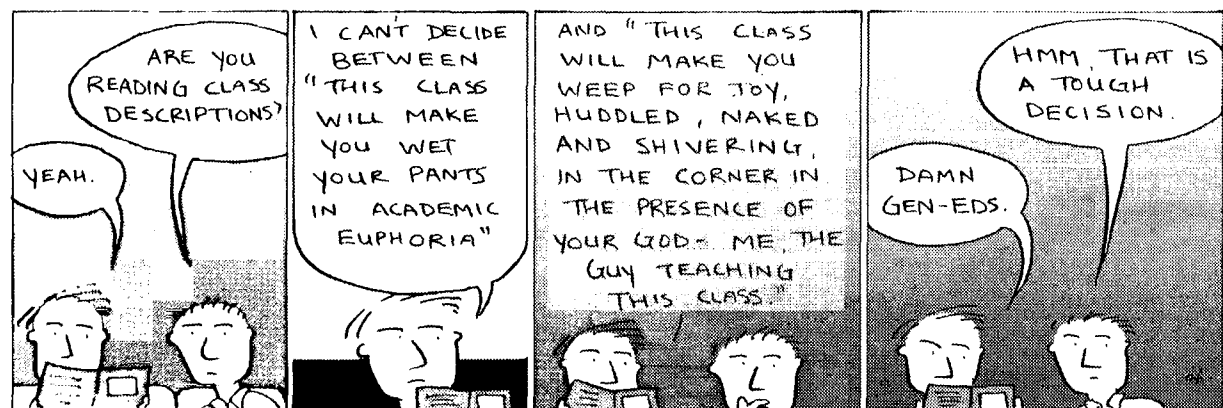
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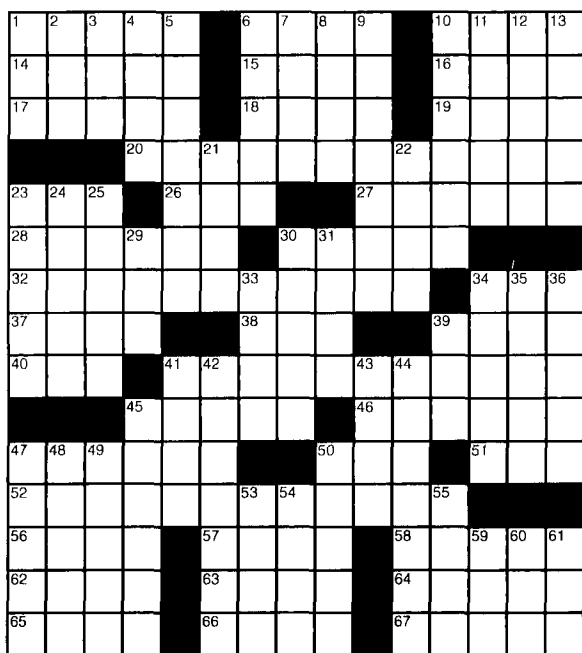


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FOOTBALL

41, not done

Midshipmen bring a strong running game in quest for bowl bid

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

Every year, it's the same line — this Notre Dame team doesn't want to be the one that loses to Navy for the first time since Navy Heisman Trophy winner Roger Staubach was under center in 1963.

And this year it's no different,

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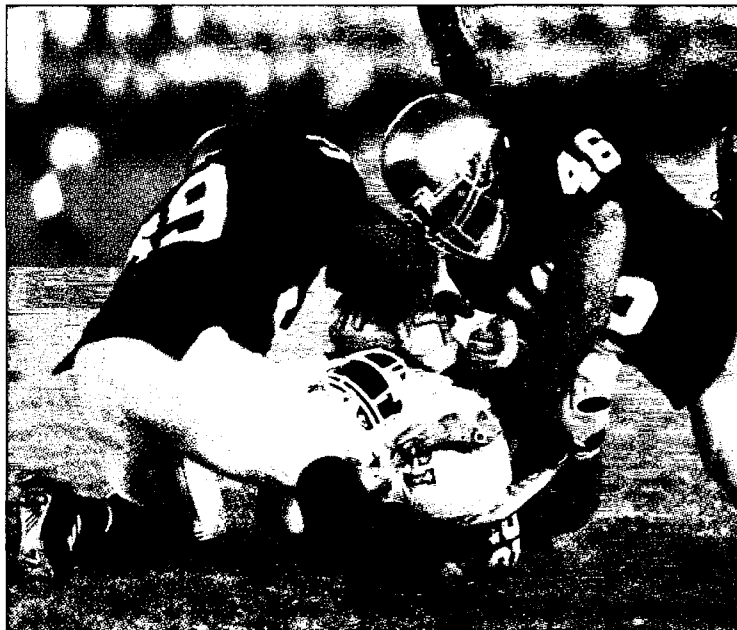
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as No. 7 Notre Dame (6-2) tries to extend its 41-game winning streak against Navy, a matchup that has been played every year since 1927.

"They better think that way," Irish head coach Charlie Weiss said of his team's mentality. "I think that way, so let's hope they're thinking that way. But, you know, I'm not looking at what happened the previous 41 games. I'm only looking at this game. That's all I'm looking at. I don't look in the past."

This year both teams have a lot at stake. Notre Dame must win its next three games if it wants to be considered for a BCS bowl game, while Navy (5-3), needs one win in its next three games to become bowl-eligible. A bowl bid for the Midshipmen would be the third consecutive

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Notre Dame's run defense, including Brandon Hoyte, left, and Corey Mays, will be important against Navy Saturday.

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MEN'S SWIMMING

Team hits its highest rank ever

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Writer

With last weekend's dramatic come-from-behind victory against Pittsburgh, the men's swimming team moved to No. 18 in the nation, the highest ranking in the program's history.

The Irish pulled ahead by winning 15 of a possible 17 points in the final relay of the meet. The win raised their record to 2-1 in dual meets this year.

"The meet was the definition of a team win," junior Tim Kegelman said. "It really helped

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Irish have disappointing loss at Lady Jaguar Invitational

By CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Writer

After Notre Dame shot three straight rounds under 300 at the Las Vegas Collegiate Showdown last week, Irish coach Debby King was hopeful for a win against a much softer field in the Lady Jaguar Invitational at the Forest Hills Golf Club in Augusta, Georgia

Monday and Tuesday.

"We want to sandwich the fall season," King said Sunday prior to the tournament. "We won at the beginning [in the Notre Dame Invitational], and we want to win at the end."

Unfortunately for King and the Irish, they could not accomplish their goal. Notre Dame posted two subpar rounds of 310 and 307 to finish second in the Lady Jaguar, 16

strokes behind tournament host Augusta State.

King attributed the drop in scores to inconsistent putting on Forest Hills' difficult greens.

"The greens were tough," King said. "There were a lot of mounds in them and a lot of breaks."

Freshman Lisa Maunu was one of the few bright spots for the Irish, posting a 73 on the second day for the lowest

round of her career.

"That's pretty awesome. We're very happy with her," King said. "She had a 75 in the home tournament [in September], but this is her best score all semester."

Junior Noriko Nakasaki continued to lead the Irish with her consistent play. She shot a 147 (74-73) for the two-day tournament and finished second overall, only one stroke

behind Augusta State's Lauren Smith.

Senior Katie Brophy, sophomore Jane Lee and senior Lauren Gebauer rounded out the lineup for the Irish. Brophy shot a 157 (76-81), Lee shot a 159 (78-81) and Gebauer shot a 163 (80-83).

Notre Dame was delayed in coming back to South Bend

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ND WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Carroll is off to strong start in junior season

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

After its dual meet victory over Pittsburgh last weekend, the women's swimming and diving team has many reasons to feel confident about its prospects for the rest of the season. And one of the Irish's biggest sources of confidence is the per-



Carroll

formance of junior swimmer Katie Carroll.

Carroll has not just been swimming — she burst out of the gate this season, taking first place in seven events in only three meets so far this fall. This includes setting a new school record in the 200 freestyle with a time of 1:48.79.

Two of her top times, the 1:48.79 in the 200 freestyle and a 4:16.53 in the 400 individual medley, are considered NCAA 'B' cut times, which put her in contention to qualify for the NCAA championships for the third con-

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Francis familiar with role

By BOBBY GRIFFIN
Associate Sports Editor

Torin Francis knows a lot can change in a year.

Last season, Francis, Chris Thomas, Chris Quinn and Jordan Cornette were ready to lead the Irish to the NCAA tournament.

When Notre Dame was left out on selection Sunday and then lost in a first-round home game against Holy Cross in the National Invitation Tournament (NIT), those hopes quickly faded.

Francis' team now looks very different.

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PHIL HUDELSON/The Observer

Torin Francis blocks a shot against Lewis in Notre Dame's 2005 season opener at the Joyce Center on Nov. 3.

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Philadelphia won in overtime behind two goals by Joni Pikanen.

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Peyton Manning won in Foxboro, but the 8-0 Colts still have work to do.

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Anaheim's ace battled injury late in the season but received the top honor for pitchers.

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