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Police arrest 2, cite 86 at parties

Three-hour Turtle Creek raid Friday results in 96 tickets

By MADDIE HANNA and
MARY KATE MALONE
News Writers

In the first major bust this fall, police arrested two Notre Dame students and cited 86 others at Turtle Creek Apartments Friday night after receiving an anonymous complaint about a party advertised on the Internet, police said Sunday.

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Indiana State Excise, St. Joseph County and Walkerton police busted two parties at Turtle Creek Apartments Friday night after receiving an anonymous complaint.

DUSTIN MENNELLA/The Observer

Suspect still in custody

Student identifies man after alleged assault

By MARY KATE MALONE
News Editor

The Mishawaka man arrested in connection with the alleged Aug. 23 assault of a junior Notre Dame student is being held at the St. Joseph County jail and will likely face formal charges by Tuesday, police said Sunday.

The St. Joseph County Prosecutor's office has 72 hours to dictate and file formal charges against Bruce Smith, 24, said Capt. Phil Trent, South Bend police public information officer. The filing deadline was extended until Tuesday because of the holiday weekend.

Police think Smith is connected to the alleged assault of a female student that occurred at Turtle Creek Apartments Aug. 23. The student, 21, said she was held at knifepoint by a man who gained access to her apartment by posing as a Comcast cable worker.

The student, who transferred to Notre Dame this year from Clemson University, said she was able to pull away from the man's grasp and was not injured during the incident. When police presented her with a photo line-up of six possible suspects last week, she tried to identify the man who assaulted her, Trent said.

"She didn't hesitate one

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Close score fails to faze Irish faithful



DUSTIN MENNELLA/The Observer

Georgia Tech fans drastically outnumbered Notre Dame students at Saturday's game, but the Irish went on to manage a 14-10 victory.

By JOE PIARULLI
News Writer

The car ride to Atlanta takes almost 12 hours and spans nearly 700 miles. Gas costs go into triple digits, game tickets are hard to come by and the Georgia Tech fans have a less than stellar reputation. On top of that, the Irish put up only 14 points in an unexceptional win. Was it really worth the trip?

"Definitely," senior Kathryn Schuessler said.

Schuessler and 10 of her friends, including senior Laurie Wasikowski, took three cars to Atlanta to watch Notre Dame's first victory of the season over the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets.

The group got tickets through a friend's father, and according to Schuessler, plen-

ty of Irish faithful found a way to get tickets.

"There was a really good presence of Notre Dame fans, old and young," she said.

Wasikowski, who attended Notre Dame's opening game against Pitt last year, said this year's game was very different.

"We really missed the band [this year], because we weren't anywhere near the leprechaun or the cheerleaders," she said. "Last year we didn't know what to expect — Notre Dame wasn't ranked very high — and we just went in there and destroyed them."

In a contest in which the Irish did not score until the last seconds of the first half, "destroyed" is probably not how Georgia Tech — or anyone — feels.

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Wireless Internet now working in all residence halls

New system sometimes slowed by downloads

By EMMA DRISCOLL
News Writer

Accessing the Internet at Notre Dame just got a little easier, thanks to the completion of the wireless Internet installation project within all residences halls.

The project allows students to utilize the Internet not only from their dorm rooms, but also in all buildings that serve "an academic" or "residential" purpose, said Dewitt Latimer, assistant provost for the Office of Information Technologies (OIT).

The physical installation of wireless was finished on the July 19, University Program Manager for Strategic Initiatives Planning and Programs Robert Guthrie said.

Lewis Hall, Farley Hall, Pasquerilla East and Pasquerilla West were the last dorms to receive wireless.

Each of these three dorms either required additional construction to install wireless or were previously under construction, prohibiting immediate installation, Guthrie said.

In October 2005, the Office of Residence Life and Housing and the OIT collaborated to make plans for the installation of wireless

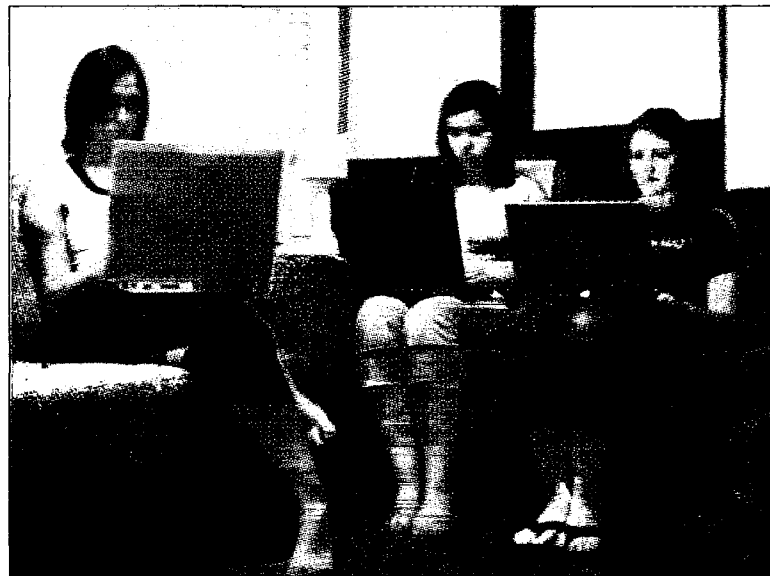
Internet access in all of the residence halls on campus, Guthrie said.

The decision to include wireless Internet access within residence halls was the result of "a trend of a greater percentage of students coming in [to Notre Dame] with laptops," Latimer said, noting that most laptops made within the last four years contain wireless network cards.

"We were getting data points from multiple sources saying that lack of wireless was a detriment to residential life, and adding it would be beneficial to the students in the halls," Latimer said.

Latimer said OIT learned

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LAURIE HUNT/The Observer

Sophomores Laura Schwarts, Margie Rosmonowski and Casey McNeill take advantage of wireless access in Cavanaugh Aug. 23.

INSIDE COLUMN

Wardrobe malfunction

Everyone has their own theory on why the Irish barely edged out Georgia Tech this weekend.

Fortunately for me, my roommate is a psych major and analyzed the many possibilities of why the game was so close. . . **Katie Kohler**

As simple as it may sound, she said it came down to the colors. **News Writer**

Yes, the colors. Let's dissect the uniforms from head to toe:

The Irish had gold helmets, as did the Yellow Jackets.

The Irish had gold pants; the Yellow Jackets wore white.

We wore white jerseys; they wore gold.

Basically, we wore the opposite colors, but the important thing is, they were the same colors. It was even confusing to watch at times because of how close they were.

Being in the stadium with thousands of people, lights shining down and fans screaming, I can't imagine it could have been any easier to be playing.

Now for the theory. My roommate, who wishes to remain anonymous — for the obvious reason that her theory is genius — compared the game to a bullfight (bear with me here, I'm getting somewhere).

In a typical bullfight, the matador makes the bull attack by waving a red flag. Similarly, the Fighting Irish are conditioned to attack the other team's colors, a.k.a. the flag. During this game, however, we were wearing virtually the same colors. No one in his right mind would attack his own players. With the hype and intensity of the opening game, maybe some of our players were getting confused?

It makes sense. With the fast pace of the game, there could have been some confusion.

Think about it. Besides Georgia Tech, most of the teams we play have uniforms that are not as close to ours, making it easier to focus. I mean, white and gold? It may have well been white and off-white.

A night game plus similar colors plus season opening pressure equals bullfighting syndrome.

Don't get me wrong — a win is a win. But next week, I don't think there will be any confusion between white and navy blue jerseys — even green, for that matter.

Basically, her conclusion is that the football was, eh, good enough.

It was the little things that added up. It could have been all the flags or the incomplete passes, but I would like to give Notre Dame the benefit of the doubt and call it a wardrobe malfunction.

Either way, we won. And now, after Charlie Weis reads this column (which he probably won't) I hope he thinks twice about having that similar of jersey colors.

I don't think we can afford to experience the bullfighting syndrome again — at least not this season.

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

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CORRECTIONS

Due to a production error, the article entitled "College expands handicap access" in the Sept. 1 edition of The Observer incorrectly said the new ramp will provide an entrance to the basement. The new ramp will enter the first floor of Le Mans.

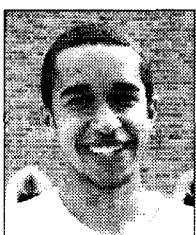
Due to a production error, the article entitled "New fountain added to entrance of SMC student center" in the Aug. 31 edition of The Observer incorrectly labeled Karen Heyl a College alumna.

The Observer regrets these errors.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHERE WERE YOU FOR THE GEORGIA TECH-NOTRE DAME GAME?



Maureen Clark
sophomore
Welsh Family



Jason McClain
freshman
Fisher



Katie Coyne
freshman
McGlinn



Katie McCann
sophomore
Welsh Family



Margaret Kelly
freshman
McGlinn



Nick Schott
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"I was on North Quad rediscovering my love for Notre Dame football."

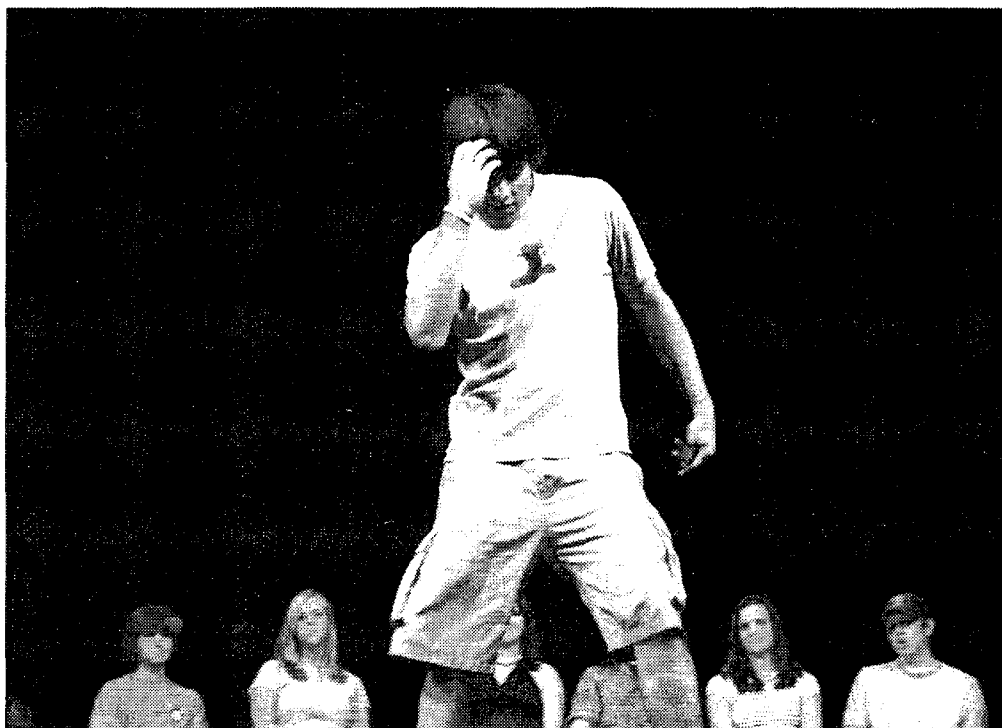
"My friends and I were in the basement of Fisher — we cheered, we cried, we cheered the Irish on to victory."

"I was with Margaret, and after the game I went to Keenan, got in a big circle with a lot of people and attempted to sing the alma mater."

"North Quad — dying with the rest of the student body during the first half."

"I was at Lafayette at someone's apartment and my friends and I sang the Fight Song 15 times after the game."

"My fellow trumpets and I helped keep the Irish fans stoked during the game on North Quad."



JESSICA LEE/The Observer

Sophomore Nick Simonson impersonates Michael Jackson dancing to "Thriller" after being hypnotised by hypnotist Rich Aimes Friday at Washington Hall as part of the SUB Welcome Back Week events.

OFFBEAT

Multi-tasking motorist stopped by Swiss police

A 34-year-old saleswoman was caught driving down a Swiss motorway while she was using her laptop computer and chatting on a handheld mobile phone, police in north-eastern Switzerland say.

The driver said she was unaware of any wrongdoing and responded that she was "driving like I always do," police in the canton of St Gallen said in a statement.

A police patrol pulled her over on Wednesday afternoon after they saw her car zig-zagging along

the A3 motorway near the town of Murg.

The woman was remanded to a Magistrates Court because of her "unreasonable behavior," police said.

Welsh pig shelter to be used as opera theater

A purpose-built pig shelter at Morundah, in central west New South Wales, will act as an opera theatre for a performance of Bizet's Carmen this weekend.

Both performances of the opera are sold out.

The organizer of the event and publican of the

Morundah Hotel, Dave Fahey, says he has never been to an opera and probably will not see this performance as he will be manning the bar.

Fahey says he organized the event to bring some culture to the area and local charities will benefit.

"Most probably [we'll collect for] Urana Hospital and Billabidgee Place Aged Care, as well as that we've got the local Narrandera rescue squad," he said.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

"Freedom on the Internet and the Ethical Responsibility of IT Companies in China: A Panel Discussion" will begin at 5 p.m. Tuesday in Jordan Auditorium, Mendoza College of Business.

The Office of Multicultural Affairs will present "Which counts more: Race, Gender or Class?" on Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. in Vander Vennet Theatre.

The 2006 Endowed Fall Lecture Series will kick off with "Welcoming the Stranger: Hospitality in the Christian Tradition" featuring Ana Maria Pineda of Santa Clara University at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Stapleton Lounge, Le Mans Hall.

The 2006 Endowed Fall Lecture Series will host a "Special Follow-up Event: Immigration Issues: A Catholic Common Ground Conversation" Thursday, at 3:30 p.m. in Stapleton Lounge, Le Mans Hall.

Student Comedy Night at Legends will begin at 10 p.m. Thursday. ND/SMC/HCC student ID required to enter.

The traditional marching band step-off will be at 4:30 p.m. Friday in front of the Main Building, heading through campus to its practice in the Joyce Center parking lot.

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

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ND to hold global health forum

Medical, moral, social issues to be addressed

Special to The Observer

Economist Jeffrey Sachs, director of the UN Millennium Project, medical anthropologist and physician Dr. Paul Farmer, founder of Partners in Health, and Dr. Miriam Laker Opwonya of Uganda will be the featured panelists participating Sept. 14 in the second annual Notre Dame Forum.

Titled "The Global Health Crisis: Forging Solutions, Effecting Change," the forum will take place from 1:15 p.m. to 3:15 in the University's Joyce Center arena and will be moderated by Gwen Ifill, senior correspondent for the NewsHour with Jim Lehrer. Classes will be canceled during the forum to give students and faculty the opportunity to attend. A live Webcast will be available at <http://forum.nd.edu/>.

The event's theme was selected to coincide with the daylong dedication of Notre Dame's new Jordan Hall of Science, a \$70 million, 200,000-square-foot building that contains the most advanced scientific and educational teaching instrumentation of any university facility in the nation.

"More than 50 years ago, the framers of the constitution for the World Health Organization wrote that the 'highest attainable standard of health' is a fundamental right of all people

worldwide," University President Father John Jenkins said. "And yet, despite the many scientific advances in health care over the past half century, poverty, disease and premature death continue to devastate large segments of the world community. As a teaching and research university committed to the ideals of Catholic social justice, Notre Dame takes seriously our responsibility to examine this problem in depth and help forge solutions."

Notre Dame Forum panelists will discuss the medical, political, moral, social and economic implications of this global crisis, and reflect on the responsibility of developed countries to assist those who suffer from poverty, malnutrition and disease.

Sachs, Farmer and Opwonya have devoted their careers to helping the world's poorest populations. In addition to his work with the United Nations, Sachs is the Quetelet Professor of Sustainable Development and a professor of health policy and management at Columbia University, where he also directs The Earth Institute. He is the author of the best-selling book "The End of Poverty," as well as many other scholarly articles and publications.

As director of the UN Millennium Project and special advisor to UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan, Sachs leads the effort to meet the Millennium Development Goals, the international effort to reduce extreme poverty, disease and hunger by 2015. He has advised govern-

ments in Latin America, Eastern Europe, the former Soviet Union, Asia and Africa on economic reforms and has worked with international agencies to promote poverty reduction, disease control and debt reduction in poor countries.

Farmer has worked in infectious disease control for nearly two decades and is a world-renowned authority on AIDS and tuberculosis. He founded the Boston-based Partners in Health in 1987 as an international organization that provides direct health care services and undertakes research and advocacy activities on behalf of people worldwide who are sick and living in poverty. The organization established a multi-service health complex, Zanmi Lasante, in Haiti in 1991 and is now exporting its community-based model to rural Rwanda.

An attending physician at the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Farmer also is the Maude and Lillian Presley Professor of Medical Anthropology in the Department of Social Medicine at Harvard Medical School. He is the author or co-author of more than 100 scholarly publications and of numerous books, most recently "Pathologies of Power: Health Human Rights, and the New War on the Poor," published in 2003 by University of California Press. He is the subject of the book "Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, A Man Who Would Cure the World" by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Tracy Kidder.

Experts examine obesity in Latinos

Researchers gather at ND for workshop

Special to The Observer

When Rodolfo Valdez moved to the United States from Venezuela 21 years ago, he lost weight because he couldn't speak English and couldn't order food. Then, as he became more comfortable with the American lifestyle (obviously a little too comfortable, he concedes), he packed on 20 pounds. He has since figured out where he went wrong, has regained his trim physique, and, as an epidemiologist for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), is trying to stop the increasing problem of Latino obesity.

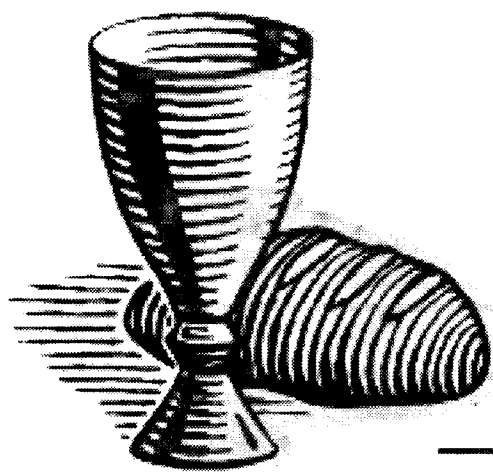
Weight gain eventually affects many Latino immigrants who, for the most part, eat healthier and get more exercise before coming to the U.S. than after. The problem, which can lead to chronic illnesses like diabetes and heart disease, is being studied by Valdez and other public health practitioners and faculty from around the country. Experts visited Notre Dame this summer to participate in an Institute for Latino Studies (ILS) workshop titled "Latino Obesity: Using Research for Understanding and Action" in

an effort to address the social, cultural and economic factors associated with obesity among Latinos.

According to the CDC, overweight and obesity in the U.S. occur at higher rates in racial and ethnic minority populations, and those of low socioeconomic status within those groups are most vulnerable to obesity. Its related diseases, including diabetes, hypertension, cancer and heart disease, also are found in higher rates among minorities.

Valdez, along with experts from the Pan American Health Organization, various community-based health groups and higher education, discussed the epidemiology of obesity across the U.S. and within Latino communities and collaborated on research methods, data sources and intervention models. He says much of the problem can be blamed on a "health transition."

"First-generation Latinos just arriving in the U.S. are not typically obese," Valdez said. "Actually, they are leaner than people who have been living here for some time because they eat healthier and get more exercise, but as they stay here longer they adopt the customs here, perhaps buying their first car, watching television and playing video games, and they start gaining weight."



BREAKING BREAD

Forgiveness and the Challenge of Loving Enemies

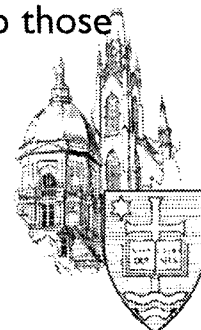
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"There were definitely nervous moments, but I was confident with all the preparation and all the experience our team has that we would come out with the win," Schuessler said.

Junior Chris Wilson, who drove to the game in a minivan with five of his friends, said Georgia Tech's environment must have been tough on Brady Quinn and the Irish.

"There was a pretty good atmosphere for the home team — it was really loud anytime we were on offense," he said.

Schuessler said fans on both sides were very involved in the game right from the beginning — perhaps too involved, as some Georgia Tech students were throwing various objects onto the field — and stuck it out until the end.

"There was a lot of back and forth excitement for both sides," she said, "so people weren't leaving the stadium until it was pretty clear that we were going to win."

One of Notre Dame's biggest obstacles in Saturday's game was not the Yellow Jackets, but the yellow flags peppering the playing field, Schuessler said.

"There were so many penalties that I feel like we couldn't get into a good rhythm, so I think that kind of messed up the flow of the game," she said.

Wasikowski said she "was expecting our offense to

pretty much dominate."

"I think a lot of it was just first game jitters because there was so much hype."

Despite Irish struggles, students said many promising pieces began to fall into place in a potential National Championship puzzle, including a stellar special teams showing and a second-half shutdown of stud receiver Calvin Johnson and the Georgia Tech offense.

"[Punter] Geoff Price did a good job," Schuessler said. "I thought the defense looked really fast and there were some good tackles by [Ndukwe] and [Zbikowski]

that got people excited."

"I was really impressed with [freshman corner-back Darrin Walls] guarding Calvin Johnson," Wasikowski said.

At the end of the day, the Irish are 1-0 and escaped healthy and

hopeful.

"I don't think it's anything that can't be corrected," Wilson said. "I'd rather play crappy and be 1-0 than play crappy and be 0-1."

A wakeup call is what Notre Dame may have needed, Wasikowski said, considering the difficulty of its upcoming schedule.

"It was a good reality check," she said. "[T]his season is not just going to be a walk to the National Championship. They'll have to work hard for it."

"I'm just glad that we won and I'm looking forward to next week — hopefully everyone will get pumped up for Penn State."

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Assault

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iota," Trent said. "A lot of times it takes quite awhile to study pictures, but she just went right to it and picked him out."

Smith was asked to come to the South Bend police station after the student identified him. He was questioned by detectives and later arrested.

"He didn't give an admission, but he sort of talked around the direct question he was being asked," Trent said, adding that it was "very suspicious" that Smith placed himself at Turtle Creek during the time of the incident.

Smith is currently being held under a booking charge, which is a preliminary charge made by police based on the formal charge expected to come from the county prosecutor. In this case, Smith is being held for criminal confinement, or holding someone against his or her will.

"We could theoretically add more charges if he would have stated his intentions."

Phil Trent
public information
officer
South Bend Police

the norm, Trent said — then he will be released on bond until his trial.

The student, who wished to remain anonymous, has been in talks with the University to move onto campus, although she was originally denied housing this fall as a transfer student.

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Wireless

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such as yearly surveys — "that lack of wireless was a detriment to residential life, and adding it would be beneficial to the students in the halls."

"As a service provider, we obviously want to provide the services that our constituents want and need," he said.

"We leveraged the fact that we were having to re-cable the dorms," Latimer said, which made the cost "marginal to [what the cost would have been] going back three years ago and trying to do it. Now was the time."

Farley Hall rector Carrine Etheridge said the wireless Internet "certainly does provide a lot of flexibility for the students."

Etheridge has noticed students are able to study in groups in the dorm study lounges and can bring their computers everywhere on campus.

"I think it has made things so much more convenient for them," she said. "I'm glad something is convenient for them."

While Etheridge said she has heard complaints from her residents about their cell phone service, the wireless Internet service has not been a problem in Farley.

"I haven't heard any com-

plaints — it seems okay," Etheridge said.

While surfing Web sites, checking e-mail and instant messaging work with wireless, some Internet uses are better suited to a wired connection.

"What we're seeing is a lot of students not understanding how wireless works," Latimer said. "A lot of students assume that wireless is not a shared environment — that their actions don't affect anyone else. That is true for a wired network, but not for a wireless."

For users to take part in a wireless network, their computer connects through radio to an access point that is shared by other wireless users, Guthrie said.

If a student downloads a video that requires a lot of network space, the student slows down not only his or her own Internet but also the Internet for all other users accessing wireless through the same shared access point.

Senior Ashley Kelly said she thought people have been misusing the wireless and causing service to be slower.

"I think everyone was under the impression that the wireless would be our main Internet access, but with everybody using it, it's just been slow and unreliable," Kelly said.

"Hopefully later on people will switch back to using their cords like I did, or

maybe OIT will find some way to fix it."

Sophomore Nathan Cutler noticed that the wireless Internet has been slower for downloads, but works well for general uses such as e-mailing.

Freshmen Amanda Zofkie and Gina Lizama both said they have not experienced any problems with their wireless connections.

Zofkie has been using wired connection in her dorm room, but uses wireless access in other places such as classes and study lounges, and has found wireless to be very convenient.

"You don't have to carry your cord around all the time," she said.

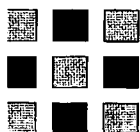
The Office of Information Technology sent out an e-mail to students last week regarding proper uses for using wireless Internet, and Guthrie encourages students using the Internet to download videos or play games to use wired Internet access, which he said is still a faster connection.

Senior Matt Plaska agreed. "The wired is a little bit faster," he said. "You know it's always going to work so you don't have to worry about network."

And there are "just some things" students should do on the wired ResNet connection, Guthrie said.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Violence escalates in Darfur region

KHARTOUM, Sudan — Rebels in the war-torn Darfur region said Sunday that government forces backed by bomber aircraft were pursuing a week-old offensive and African Union peacekeepers reported continued fighting.

The government, meanwhile, significantly raised the stakes in Khartoum's standoff with the international community by calling for the AU to withdraw its troops from all of Darfur before its mandate expires on Sept. 30.

The rebels said aircraft were carrying out daily bombing raids as government troops seek to drive out National Redemption Front guerrillas from their strongholds north of Darfur's provincial capital, El Fasher.

Northern Darfur is controlled by rebels who did not sign a U.S.-brokered peace deal in May aimed at ending the three-year conflict in the western region of Sudan which has left more than 200,000 dead and displaced 2.5 million.

Iran snubs Annan during U.N. visit

TEHRAN, Iran — The U.N. chief got little satisfaction Sunday at the close of his trip to Tehran, snubbed by Iran's leader over international demands to stop enriching uranium and ignored in warnings not to incite hatred by questioning the Holocaust.

In a provocative move on the final day of Kofi Annan's two-day visit, Iran announced it would host a conference to examine what it called exaggerations about the Holocaust, during which more than 6 million Jews were killed by the Nazis.

The move was sure to draw new international condemnation of Iran's stance on Jews.

NATIONAL NEWS

Clues sought in speedboat collision

WILLIS, Okla. — Investigators plan to reconstruct two speedboats that collided on Lake Texoma to gather clues about the crash that left five people dead and one injured, authorities said Sunday.

The boats collided Saturday during the "Highroller Poker Run," in which participants get a playing card at five different stops and win if they have the best poker hand at the end, said Oklahoma Highway Patrol trooper Kera Philippi.

One of the victims, Gordon Mineo, had organized the poker run.

"They're going to investigate the mechanics of both boats, too, and not just focus on whether it was driver error," Philippi said. "The driver of the second boat is still alive, so they're going to want to talk to him."

Terrorism prosecutions declining

WASHINGTON — The federal government has fallen back to prosecuting international terrorists at about the same rate it did before Sept. 11, according to a study based on Justice Department data.

The surprising decline followed a sharp increase in such criminal prosecutions in the year after the attacks, according to a study released Sunday by the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, a data research group at Syracuse University.

LOCAL NEWS

Man kills suspect during robbery

INDIANAPOLIS — A would-be robber got more than he bargained for early Saturday when his intended victim pulled out a handgun and shot him five times outside a Lawrence bar, authorities said.

Police identified the suspected robber as Ronald Zenor, 29, Indianapolis, who was taken to Wishard Memorial Hospital, where he died.

The incident occurred about 3:30 a.m. as the Sports Page Lounge was closing.

Police believe Zenor was involved in a robbery outside another bar about a half-hour before he was shot.

IRAQ

Top al-Qaida leader captured

Authorities call terror suspect 'brutal, merciless' following Sunday's arrest

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Authorities on Sunday announced the capture of al-Qaida in Iraq's No. 2 leader, accusing him of "brutal and merciless" terror operations, including the bombing of a Shiite shrine that touched off the sectarian bloodletting pushing Iraq toward civil war.

Iraq's national security adviser said Hamed Jumaa Farid al-Saeedi, known as Abu Humam or Abu Rana, was arrested a few days ago as he hid in a residential building southwest of Baqouba.

The arrest has left al-Qaida in Iraq suffering a "serious leadership crisis," national security adviser Mouwaffak al-Rubaie said. "Our troops have dealt fatal and painful blows to this organization."

He accused the terror suspect of supervising the creation of death squads and ordering assassinations, bombings, kidnappings and attacks on Iraqi police and army checkpoints. "The operations were brutal and merciless," al-Rubaie said.

Not much is known about al-Saeedi, but al-Rubaie said he was the second most important al-Qaida in Iraq leader after Abu Ayyub al-Masri. Al-Masri is believed to have taken over the group after a U.S. air strike killed leader Abu Musab al-Zarqawi north of Baghdad on June 7.

Al-Rubaie said al-Saeedi was "directly responsible" for Haitham Sabah Shaker Mohammed al-Badri, an Iraqi whom authorities have accused of leading the Feb. 22 bombing against the Shiite shrine in Samarra, 60 miles north of Baghdad.

The attack inflamed tensions between Shiite and Sunni Muslims and triggered reprisal attacks that have killed hundreds of Iraqis.

Al-Saeedi's capture "will affect al-Qaida in Iraq and



Iraqi national security adviser Mouwaffak al-Rubaie holds a press conference in Baghdad Sunday, announcing the arrest of Iraq's second most senior al-Qaida leader.

its operations against our people, especially those aimed at inciting sectarian strife," al-Rubaie said.

The U.S.-led coalition and Iraqi authorities have announced numerous arrests after al-Zarqawi was killed that officials claim have thrown al-Qaida in Iraq into disarray.

But rampant sectarian violence and other attacks have continued, with at least 20 Iraqis killed in bomb attacks and shootings on Sunday.

The U.S. military command announced that four U.S. troops had been killed — two soldiers killed by a roadside bomb Sunday in Baghdad and two Marines in separate incidents Friday

and Sunday in the volatile Anbar province, west of the capital.

The arrest of al-Saeedi came just over two months after Iraqi authorities announced that they had captured Yousri Fakher Mohammed Ali, a Tunisian also known as Abu Qudama.

"This is a very important development," Deputy Prime Minister Barham Saleh said on CNN's "Late Edition."

"Deliberate intelligence work, both by Iraqi forces as well as the multinational forces, have dealt a very severe blow to al-Qaida organization in Iraq," Saleh said. "It is also significant because this man is

believed to have been responsible for the attack on the shrines in Samarra, which led to the sectarian violence that we have seen."

A senior coalition official told The Associated Press that coalition forces were involved in al-Saeedi's arrest, but would not give details on what role they played.

The official, speaking on condition of anonymity because announcements were being made by Iraqi authorities, said al-Saeedi had been arrested along with three other people near Baqouba, 35 miles northeast of Baghdad. Al-Zarqawi was killed on the outskirts of Baqouba.

6 children die in apartment fire

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Children screamed "we're burning" early Sunday as an apartment fire, likely caused by a candle used for light because there was no electricity, killed six children ages 3 to 14, authorities said.

The victims' mother and three siblings were injured.

The third-floor, three-bedroom apartment on the city's North Side also had no smoke detector, said visibly shaken Fire Commissioner Raymond Orozco.

"This is the largest multiple fire fatality we've had from a single fire

in quite a few years. I mean it's children. It's difficult for everyone involved," Orozco said.

Commonwealth Edison spokesman John Dewey said the apartment hadn't had electricity since May, but he wouldn't say why it was turned off, citing confidentiality reasons.

Firefighters found most of the children huddled in the apartment's front room, not far from the spot where the fire probably started, said fire department spokesman Larry Langford.

"It appears that candles were used in the apartment and right

now our preliminary cause is that the candles were the cause of origin," Orozco said.

The fire broke out just after midnight, Langford said.

"Then the mother came running out with one child in her arms, screaming to the neighbors that there were other children inside," said Cmdr. Will Knight. "They asked her how many and she said 'eight.'"

Derrell Dixon said two children appeared at a window and he and several other neighbors held up a blanket, trying unsuccessfully to get the youngsters to jump to safety.

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The two-apartment raid — which began at 1655 Turtle Creek at 11:30 p.m. and ended at 1705 Turtle Creek at 2:30 a.m. — resulted in 96 tickets, including two custodial arrests, said Officer R. Swallow of the Indiana State Excise police.

Excise officers were not patrolling the apartment complex, Swallow said, but received an anonymous complaint about a party at 1655 "listed on MySpace under events and also under people's blogs."

That complaint prompted an investigation led initially by two undercover Excise police officers, who were later joined by more Excise, St. Joseph County and Walkerton police officers — a total of 13 to 14 officers, Swallow said.

Both custodial arrests were made at 1655, Swallow said. Excise arrested Maureen Conway, 19, for "minor consuming and false informing."

Conway was not carrying identification, Swallow said, and did not reveal her identity to police.

Conway declined to comment Sunday.

St. Joseph County police made the second custodial arrest, Swallow said. He did not know the name or the reason for arrest.

St. Joseph County police spokesperson Jaimee Thirion did not return Observer phone calls Sunday.

Swallow said the officers issued 58 tickets to 54 individuals at 1655 for minor in consumption, possession of false identification and inducing a minor to consume alcoholic beverages.

After Excise received the

anonymous complaint about the party at 1655 Turtle Creek, Swallow and another undercover Excise officer entered the apartment at 11 p.m.

During this initial check, about 90 people were present, Swallow said.

"You could see the inside of the apartment when coming in — the entire back [of the apartment] was full, people were spilling out," Swallow said.

He and the other officer left "to meet up with other officers," including officers from both St. Joseph County and Walkerton police forces.

Officers returned to Turtle Creek at "probably 11:30" p.m., Swallow said. Two undercover officers again entered 1655, he said, while other officers waited nearby.

"We just wanted to make sure the party was still going on, so that's why the officers were sent to the premise," Swallow said. "They called back to say the party was dying because the keg was emptied, but there were still young-appearing subjects consuming alcohol."

At this point, Swallow said, officers went to the front and back of the apartment — which he estimated now had 60 people, all Notre Dame students except "maybe one or two" — and began to check IDs and issue tickets.

Of the three leasers present — the fourth is a Notre Dame cheerleader who was at the Georgia Tech game, Swallow said — the two who are 21

received tickets for inducing minors, and the third received a ticket for minor in consumption.

Officers then went to 1705 and issued 38 tickets to 34 people, who, "to my knowledge," Swallow said, were all Notre Dame students.

Like at 1655, the tickets issued to students at 1705 were for minor in consumption and possession of false identification. Police ticketed the apartment's resident — who is 21 — for inducing a minor to consume alcoholic beverages as well as possession of marijuana, Swallow said.

No custodial arrests were made at 1705, he said.

"All of the residents both at the first and second apartment were cooperative," Swallow said.

The raid, he said, was not part of a larger surveillance effort by Excise to target Turtle Creek.

"This was the first time our agency has worked Turtle Creek this year," Swallow said. "I don't know if we plan on doing this [in the future]."

The Excise police are an arm of the Indiana state police. They are charged with enforcing state alcohol and liquor laws and are "specialists" in that field, said Capt. Phil Trent, South Bend police public information officer.

"If there's multiple people [cited] it's Indiana State Excise police calling the shots," Trent said.

"You could see the inside of the apartment when coming in — the entire back [of the apartment] was full, people were spilling out."

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Government program scans college databases

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — For the past five years an office in the Education Department has scanned through its databases of millions of students' federal financial aid and college enrollment records in search of terrorist names supplied by the FBI.

The effort, dubbed "Project Strike Back," was created by the Education Department's Office of Inspector General after the terror attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, to expand the office's mission to include counterterrorism.

At the time, investigators believed some funding for the Sept. 11 attacks came from identity theft and fraud, criminal activity the Education Department had experience investigating, according to an internal memo obtained through a Freedom of Information Act request.

"This program was one of many around the country used by the FBI to identify people of potential interest," said FBI spokeswoman Cathy Milhoan.

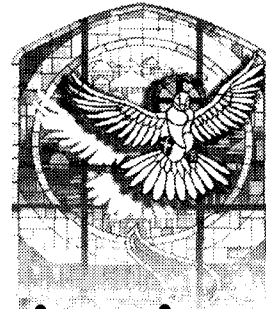
The department's central database stores information on all of the roughly 14 mil-

lion students who apply for financial aid each year, even after they have repaid the loans.

To search for "potential terrorist activity," the FBI gave the department fewer than 1,000 names that the bureau considered suspicious to run through its databases, said bureau spokeswoman Cathy Milhoan. The bureau made requests as recently as February 2006.

In response to the requests, department agents would look for "anomalies" in the data and share the information with the FBI and Justice Department attorneys, according to a Government Accountability Office report and a letter from an Education Department Office of Inspector General special agent to the assistant inspector general for investigations.

They found and shared personal information including at least names, addresses, dates of birth, Social Security numbers and driver's license numbers, according to an agency document that was recounted by a government official familiar with the data-mining program.



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NASDAQ	2,183.75	-1.98
NYSE	8,388.56	+0.18
S&P 500	1,303.82	-0.45
NIKKEI(Tokyo)	16,047.37	-93.39
FTSE 100(London)	5,906.10	-23.00

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
NASDAQ 100 TR (QQQQ)	-0.10	-0.04	38.87
INTEL CP (INTC)	-1.36	-0.27	19.57
SUN MICROSYS (SUNW)	-1.96	-0.10	4.99
MICROSOFT CP (MSFT)	-0.39	-0.10	25.70
JDS UNIPHASE CP (JDSU)	-13.69	-0.36	

Treasuries			
10-YEAR NOTE	-0.65	-0.031	4.732
13-WEEK BILL	-0.30	-0.015	4.905
30-YEAR BOND	-0.69	-0.034	4.878
5-YEAR NOTE	-0.91	-0.043	4.692

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CANADIAN \$	1.1043

IN BRIEF

CEO: Ford must change practices

DEARBORN, Mich. — Ford Motor Co., the nation's No. 2 automaker, must change the way it does business in order to make a turnaround, the company's head said in an e-mail to employees.

"The business model that sustained us for decades is no longer sufficient to sustain profitability," wrote chairman and chief executive Bill Ford.

Ford said he has organized his approach to solving the company's problems by focusing on three areas: accelerating its North American turnaround effort, leveraging its global assets a

"It is important to note that all of the issues that some onlookers view as 'problems' for our company are issues that I view as opportunities," he wrote.

"These should not be days of 'fear' for the people of the Ford Motor Company as one headline put it recently," he wrote, adding that there was a "sense of uncertainty over specific tactics until some key decisions are made."

He said the company was updating its business model and altering its structure to make Ford "a stronger, more competitive company."

MySpace to allow music downloads

LOS ANGELES — MySpace.com will soon enable members of the popular online social networking hub to sell downloads of their original music directly through MySpace Web pages, company executives said.

The initiative, which is still in a test phase, has the potential to turn millions of computer users, many of them independent or aspiring artists already using the site to build a fan following, into online music retailers.

Los Angeles-based MySpace was expected to formally announce the venture and its partnership with San Francisco-based Snocap Inc., which developed the technology, on Tuesday.

Chris DeWolfe, MySpace's chief executive, said the online music venture is a logical progression for the Internet portal, given changing trends in the music industry that have made it more affordable for bands to make quality recordings and make them available online.

"A band in Iowa can now reach out to fans in Los Angeles," DeWolfe said Friday. "Now they have a great way to reach out to 6 million fans."

Stocks rise on August jobs data

Lower unemployment, stronger wage growth prompt late-week market rally

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street ended an erratic week with a big advance Friday after the Labor Department said employers added 128,000 jobs in August, signaling that an economic slowdown might not be as severe as some have predicted. The major indexes ended the week with gains.

The report bolstered the view of some on Wall Street that the Federal Reserve might leave rates unchanged when it meets Sept. 20. The Fed didn't touch rates at its Aug. 8 meeting, interrupting a string of 17 straight increases since 2004. Some investors, who have been concerned that the economy will slow too quickly, regard prospects of further rate increases warily.

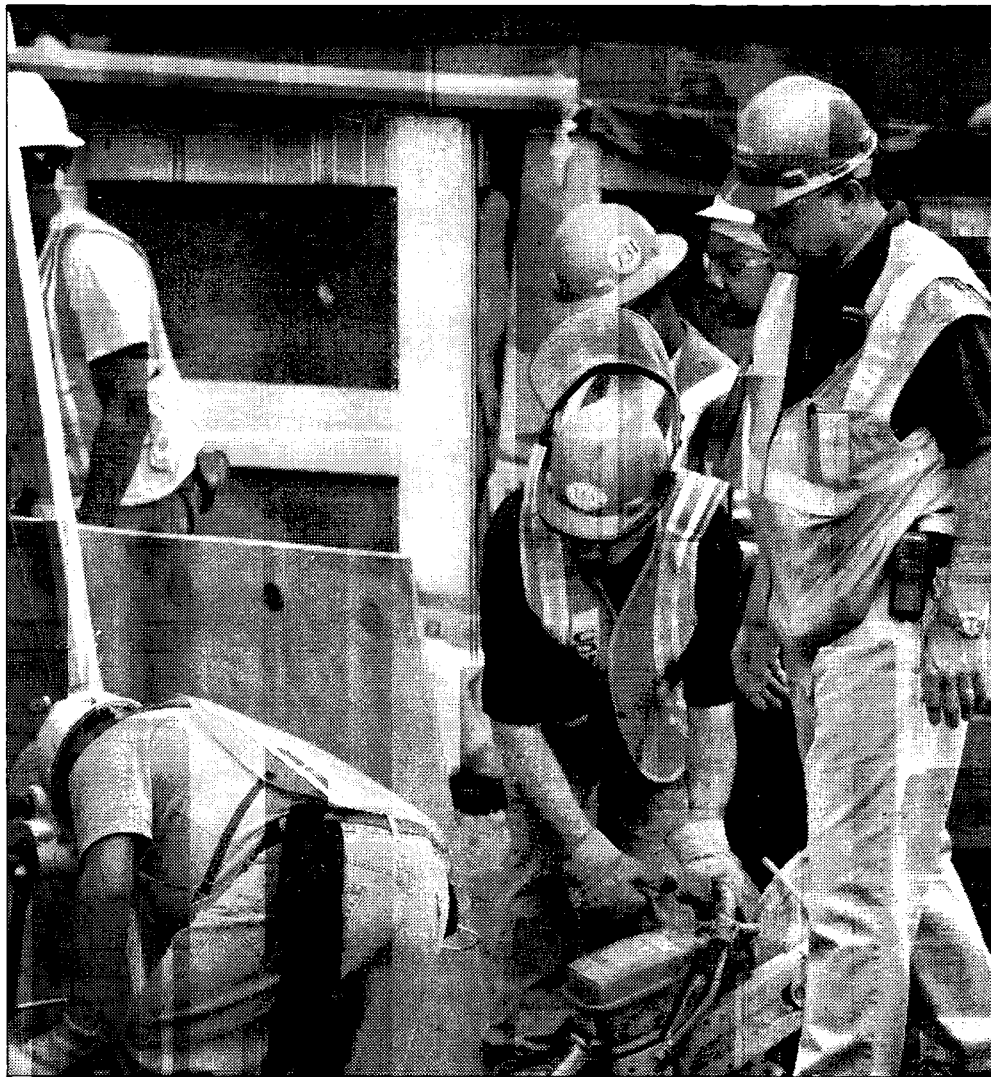
The added jobs, slightly more than the 125,000 economists expected, brought down the country's unemployment rate to 4.7 percent from a five-month high of 4.8 percent in July. During the past 12 months, wages grew by a strong 3.9 percent, the Labor Department said. The last time the figure was higher was in June 2001.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 83.00, or 0.73 percent, to 11,464.15.

Broader stock indicators also posted gains Friday. The Standard & Poor's 500 index gained 7.19, or 0.55 percent, rising to 1,311.01, and the Nasdaq composite index rose 9.41, or 0.43 percent, to 2,193.16.

Bonds were little changed, with the yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note closing flat at 4.73 percent from late Thursday. The dollar was mixed against other major currencies, while gold prices fell.

Oil prices, which retreated earlier in the week after Tropical Storm Ernesto moved away from oil equipment in the Gulf Coast, again slipped below \$70 a barrel, in part as a U.N. deadline regarding Iran's



Construction continues at the World Trade Center Aug. 29. According to Labor Department figures, the nation's economic expansion still has staying power.

nuclear ambitions expired without immediate consequence. Crude oil settled at \$69.19 a barrel, down \$1.07, on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies was up 1.03, or 0.14 percent, closing at 721.56.

Wall Street had been awaiting the nonfarm payroll report in a week of light but uneven trading ahead of the long Labor Day weekend. Investors are keeping tabs on the unemployment rate both as an indicator of how quickly the economy might be slowing and out of concerns over wage inflation.

Jerry Webman, chief economist at Oppenheimer Funds, contends the

absence of any major surprises in the unemployment report is good news. "What the stock market doesn't need over the next few months is more volatility," He cautioned, though, that the market's reaction suggests it is anticipating further uneven trading amid continued concerns about energy prices, a cooling housing market and unemployment.

"I think they were just what the Fed was looking for," Jeffrey Kleintop, chief investment strategist for PNC's wealth management department, said of the employment figures. "Today's data moved the markets from thinking the Fed's done to predicting a rate cut by the middle of

next year," he said, citing a drop in fed funds contracts for next July.

The major indexes, which fluctuated intraday throughout the week as investors tussled with economic concerns, managed to end the week with respectable gains. The Dow rose 1.60 percent, while the S&P 500 added 1.23 percent and the Nasdaq gained 2.47 percent.

In corporate news Friday, General Motors Corp. posted a 3.9 percent increase in U.S. light vehicle sales last month and trimmed its fourth-quarter production forecast by 12 percent, a move that was expected. The world's largest automaker was up \$1.09, or 3.7 percent, to \$30.27.

IRS audits may favor the wealthy

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service has been auditing more high-income taxpayers but may not be effectively going after one of the biggest problems — wealthy people who evade taxes by reporting too little business income or overstating business expenses.

The reason is that IRS auditors most often conduct audits of high-income taxpayers by correspondence, said a report by the Treasury office that oversees the tax collection agency's operations. In those cases, the IRS sends letters to taxpayers asking them to verify information on their returns.

Fewer audits actually require high-income taxpayers — those reporting \$100,000 or more in income — to sit through intensive, face-to-face examinations.

Those audits could turn up more evidence of missing business income or overstated deductions for business expenses, J. Russell George, the Treasury Department's inspector general for tax administration, said in a new report.

"These types of taxpayers and issues are difficult to examine through correspondence," the inspector's report said. By their nature, audits by letter are "less complex and issues are limited" when compared with traditional audits, it added.

The IRS has increased the number

of intensive face-to-face audits of wealthier taxpayers over the last few years, even though its budget has remained basically flat.

Kevin Brown, who heads the IRS small business and self-employed division, agreed that intensive audits find more unreported income. "The observation is correct," he said. "We don't think we're doing enough there, and we want to do more."

Both types of audits — those by mail and in person — have increased in recent years, reversing a slide in IRS tax law enforcement that started in the late 1990s.

The IRS examined 1 in 65 tax returns filed by high-income individuals and families and 2005, higher than the 1 in 116 examined in 2002.

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Bush's back to Katrina relief

Just over one year ago, Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast indiscriminately, taking nearly 2,000 lives and causing tens of billions of dollars worth of damages. The initial damage would give way to an intensely mismanaged rescue, relief and recovery by the government. We watched as images flashed across every network of people stranded on houses waving for help, bodies packed into the Superdome and citizens and police officers alike looted stores. Reports of overcrowding, violence and rape poured out from the Convention Center and Superdome while water rushed in. The Gulf Coast flooded while Bush played guitar. Literally.

On this one year anniversary, having a short memory and a long list of photo ops is the name of W's game. One week ago Bush began a tour of the Gulf Coast, beginning a series of speeches and appearances. The content of his various speeches and interviews could be characterized as optimistic, intensely unapologetic and downright oblivious to the realities of the ravaged region. Bush's ability to sympathize with the people of the region who lost everything they had is best represented in this statement: "United States Senator Trent Lott had a fantastic house overlooking the bay. I know because I sat in it with he and his wife. And now it's completely obliterated. There's nothing."

Well, yes. There's nothing except for Trent Lott's political station and his wealth not to mention the lawsuit he filed against State Farm regarding his insurance payout. Besides these irrelevant details, however, Lott is pretty much in the same boat as everyone else in the region. You'd think that Bush

would have learned to leave Trent Lott's house out of Katrina speeches since he made the same mistake upon his first post-Katrina arrival to the region, no sooner than five days after the hurricane.

An interview with Brian Williams on MSNBC was neatly framed by brightly colored, freshly built homes; freshly built by the charity organization Habitat for Humanity as denoted by the banners on their porches. The only thing missing from the tranquil suburban scene was people. There were no people in the homes, just Bush mulling around outside with Brian Williams talking about all the books he's read and how well the administration has served those in need. He shared with Williams, in a rare moment of honesty, part of his strategy: "The key for me is to keep expectations low." Well, Mr. President, I don't think that the people clustered in FEMA trailers can afford to expect little from you, let alone the remainder of the country that you represent to the global community.

It's a sad day when the leader of the free world thinks it's clever to keep expectations low. It's an even sadder one when he pulls it off.

Bush's commitment to an unwavering message seems to be the only constant in his strategy besides the aforementioned low expectations. This is likely due to the fact that he doesn't read the newspapers, as he's proudly stated on numerous occasions, as they are full of analysis and opinions rather than pure facts; facts that can be obtained through unbiased, objective sources such as personal aides and Secretaries of Defense.

His naivete peaked with such motivational lines as "I stood in Jackson Square and I said we're gonna help ya, and we delivered." (from the Brian Williams interview) and "Houses will be built, jobs will be created."

The only thing more atrocious than Bush's intense confusion of tenses is his grasp of economic theory. The concept

that all we need to do is build houses for jobs to appear, or vice versa, is extremely condescending towards those who have been struggling to find either a home or a job in the former cities and towns. You cannot just create houses and have an economy pop back onto its feet, nor can you wave a magic wand and have generic, one-size-fits-all jobs appear in a community. His oversimplification of the situation tells us that his understanding of post-Katrina recovery is no better from the ground now than it was from the air a year ago when he simply surveyed the scene from the comfort of Air Force One.

The work that is being done by various NGOs and volunteers such as those featured in last Friday's Observer article is a testament to the incredible generosity and humanity that can be found in a crisis. However, there is only so much that can be done by volunteers. The government has the power and resources to bring the region back to life. What is needed is for the government to coordinate the plans and resources of the various NGOs and communities in a comprehensive plan that addresses all the issues. The government also needs to assess what is not being done in the region and what role it can play in filling these gaps.

While moving through tables and people at a breakfast, Bush passed a black waitress who jokingly asked, "Mr. President, are you going to turn your back on me?" to which he replied, "No ma'am. Not again."

Georgie, you're doing a heck of a job.

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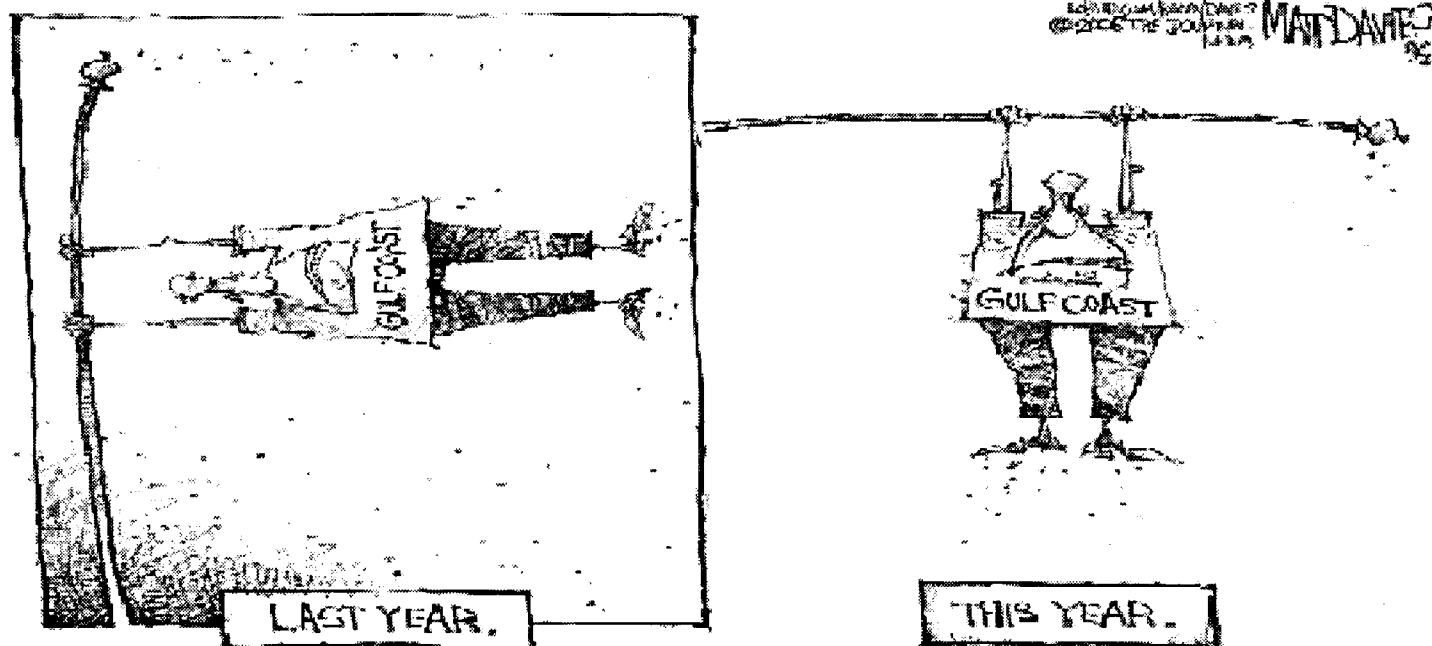
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"There are no great things, only small things with great love. Happy are those."

Mother Teresa
humanitarian

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Middle East tensions continue

America's support of Israel damaging

Clare Feeney's Monday Letter to the Editor ("Israel's a terrorist state?" Aug. 28) presents an argument too often labeled as taboo in America. Over two weeks have passed since U.N. Security Council Resolution 1701 brought the fighting between Israel and Hezbollah to a halt. As those affected by the conflict pick through the rubble and debris, the political realities are slowly becoming visible. Though the U.S. support of Israel was backed as an effort to eliminate global terrorism, the latest conflict has stirred up popular forces that will only gain in power, become more extreme, and ultimately weaken our security.

Whether helping to reconstruct the war ravaged civil infrastructure or building political support across the region, the flag of Hezbollah is waved jubilantly as "Made in America" signs stand atop the rubble. The level of support Hezbollah has garnered in Lebanon is a microcosm of the growing public support in the Middle East. Even allies Egypt and Saudi Arabia, hardly the democratic models, felt pressure from their citizens in the initial stages of the war for not standing with Hezbollah. Furthermore, a recently published report out of the U.K. indicates that Iran, the key backer of Hezbollah, has

become the most influential political player in Iraq.

As Feeney indicates, though the cease-fire ended direct military actions, the "terror is not over." It is estimated that over 100,000 American-made cluster munitions still lie unexploded across southern Lebanon. These cluster bombs, a violation of International Law when used in civilian areas, are killing and maiming people every day while an Israeli sea and air blockade inhibits restoration. The Humanitarian Affairs office at the U.N. recently stated that "90 per cent of the cluster bomb strikes occurred in the last 72 hours of the conflict when we knew there would be a resolution."

If we are indeed attempting to rally global support by engaging in "a war of ideas" as outlined by the Bush Administration, our unconditional support for Israel throughout its disproportionate campaign has merely amounted to, as Feeney states, "a devastating loss not only for the Lebanese, but for America's supposed campaign to end global tyranny."

Jamal Afridi
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Siegfried Hall
Aug. 31

Rethink broad groupings

Ryan Davidson would be well-advised to clarify the precise target of his recent Letters to the Editor; in his two letters, he targets two different groups, though there are deep problems in both instances.

On Tuesday, he denounced 'the Muslim world.' Based on the content of this letter, it would seem that, at the very least, he is grouping together everyone who has lived in a predominantly Muslim community in the Middle East over the past twelve centuries. This is an absurd proposition, like grouping together the population of Europe over the same period of time into one homogeneous mass known as 'Christendom.'

By Friday, his wording shifted to denunciations of 'terrorists.' First, if he means this letter to be continuous with the first one, it is a gross mistake to identify the groups he has in mind with the population of 'the Muslim world' as a whole — indeed, it is precisely the sort of mistake for which Clare Feeney chastised him. Second, by his criteria, there has never been a truly civilized community in the history of the world, with the possible exception of some pacifist

communes; if he feels diplomacy is illegitimate in this case, then diplomacy has never been legitimate. Finally, and most importantly, his argument has now devolved into denunciations of figments of his own imagination: no one is proposing diplomatic negotiations with al-Qaida. Rather, those of us who disagree with Mr. Davidson argue that the only way to quash violent fundamentalist movements is to first understand the reasons why individuals choose violent fundamentalism as a reaction to the oppressive circumstances in which they live, whatever the cause of this oppression. Such understanding should not be mistaken for a rationalization or apology.

The rhetoric which proclaims fundamentalism essentially irrational and prohibits any effort at understanding is, in my eyes, utterly unethical to any plausible approach to building just, modern civilizations in the most war-torn parts of the world.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Misconceptions inhibit progress

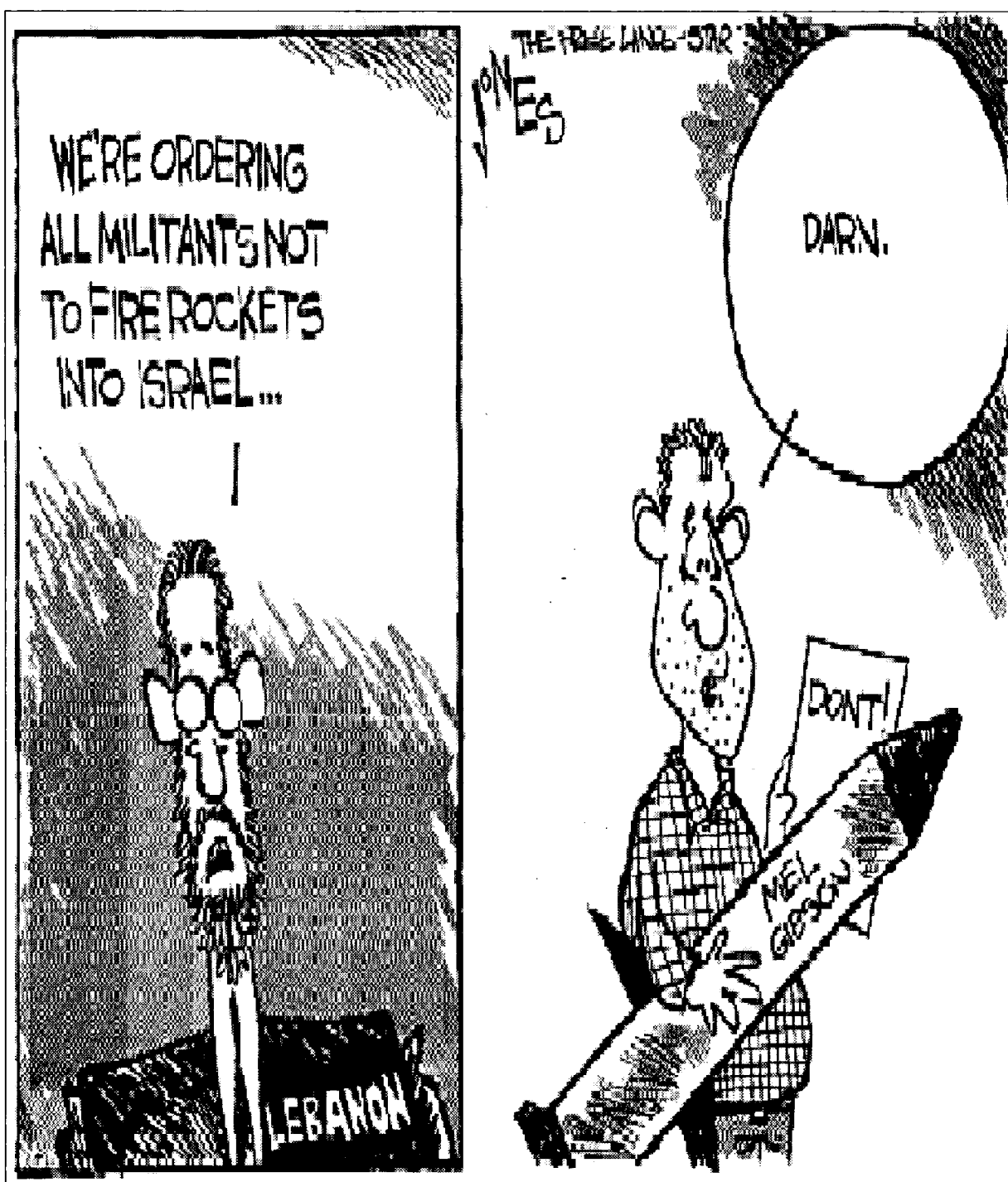
In his Letter to the Editor ("Civilization, ceasefire and surrender," Sept. 1), Matt Alles addresses many good points when discussing the current situation in the Middle East. Unfortunately, many of his points are one-sided and shortsighted. His first questionable point is about the IDF destroying Lebanese infrastructure to prevent re-supplying of Hezbollah, a resistance group, with weaponries. However, he does not mention that these roads were the only way for innocent Lebanese to escape the Israeli aggression. He also forgets to mention how Israel dropped leaflets asking civilians to leave their homes so the IDF could destroy their homes, which were suspected of housing Hezbollah, The Party of God. Does that make sense, Israel asking civilians to leave their homes with no drivable roads to escape on? While he openly attacks Arabs, he forgets to mention the atrocities Israel has caused.

Also, Alles' harsh words about Syria are incorrect. While he may be correct on the questionable women's rights, he is completely incorrect and unfounded in his attack of its lack of minority rights. If Alles would only study Syria rather than just believe what the media reports on Syria, he would be surprised to find that Syria treats its minorities very well. Syria has had a long history of being kind to all that need help. When Armenia suffered its Holocaust from Turkey, Syria opened its borders to allow all Armenians to flee to safety. Maybe Alles will insist that the Armenians are Muslim and that is why Syria openly accepted them, but he would be incorrect again. Most Armenians are Christians. Many people assume that the elected president of Syria, Bashar al-Assad, must be a Sunni Muslim since most Arabs are Sunni. This assumption is incorrect because the Assad family themselves are a minority. They belong to the Alawite group of Muslims.

While I can not argue about his points on Iran, I can defend my points on Syria as I am part Syrian and have family that still resides in Syria. Iran is a different country than Syria and can not be equated to Syria, as Alles has done. Alles' argument that Syria is uncivilized is unfounded, unjust and just plain incorrect.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



CONCERT REVIEW

Rooney disappoints packed crowd at Legends

Band fails to perform in intimate setting

JESSICA LEE/The Observer

Rooney underperforms during its concert at Legends. After touring with Kelly Clarkson all summer, the band played to a far smaller audience Saturday.



JESSICA LEE/The Observer

Lead singer Robert Carmine charms the ladies but suffers from inconsistent vocals. His negative attitude at Legends inhibited Rooney's overall performance.

By PAUL SERAFY
Scene Critic

Rooney has something to prove, but the biggest obstacle standing between the band and success is the fact that the group doesn't realize it. This L.A. based quintet has talent bursting through the seams of its trademark bell-bottoms, but it surely fell short of displaying it to its fullest capacity this Saturday at Legends.

Though Rooney enjoyed a mediocre degree of success with its 2003 self-titled release, it is by no means a seasoned veteran of the music industry. At this point in a band's career, it needs to treat every show that it plays like it was their last. Rooney failed to do so, however. The onstage attitude of lead singer Robert Carmine could be expected from a front man with several albums released, not to mention years of non-stop touring under his belt. But Rooney can not yet enjoy that comfort on stage.

After playing for an audience of 20,000 in Seattle, an audience of more than 700 fans gathered at Legends, many of whom lined up two hours before the concert. Those numbers would surely seem to be a change of pace for the band. Most artists live for this level of intimacy with their fans.

SUB and Legends both did their part to attract fans to the concert, as the venue

brimmed slightly over capacity. However, Rooney's performance was sloppy — plenty of screws needed to be tightened up for a smaller, more intimate venue, where musicians are under a microscope. Rooney sat on its last release for three years, touring sparingly and overestimating the amount of anticipation among fans that its sophomore album would build.

Given the aptitude that Rooney has, the band should have taken this performance seriously. Its audience expected it to — but it didn't. Carelessness and technical hurriedness were present at Legends Saturday evening.

A fairly new band like Rooney should care about building and reinforcing its reputation in all circles of music lovers, especially among fans at a venue as small as Legends, but the desire to do so was not apparent from start to finish. The band seemed to rush through songs, struggled with keyboard arrangements and probably could have used another hour of sound checks to achieve an instrumental balance that it sorely lacked.

Elements of Rooney's performance that should have shined and ignited the small space between the group and its fans were overshadowed. Guitarist Taylor Locke is one of the best in the industry, but Saturday's audience would not know this unless they had listened to the

band's studio recordings.

While most rock bands showcase and take pride in their guitarist's ability, Locke was pushed aside by the band, deprived of the opportunity to display his incendiary ability. His slide guitar on the band's opening song, "Blueside," added flair to the Beach Boys inspired pop-rock song, but solos on unreleased material like "She's Got Everything" and "Paralyzed" were hurried and short-winded.

Carmine's vocals and high-energy performing style were largely inconsistent. He proved to charm the girls in the audience out of their minds on songs like "Daisy Duke" where he nailed the lyrics and melody, but had to work hard to hit notes correctly on "Terrible Person." Vocal harmonies that typically tie band members' talents together — one of Rooney's usual assets — were rendered ineffective by Carmine's failure to hold certain notes in an attempt to experiment with melodies throughout the set.

To his credit, drummer Ned Brower kept the band's energy alive throughout the concert, adding rhythmic elements to the performance that redeemed the band during build-ups before choruses when verses were weak. He proved to fill holes where his band mates made mistakes like, the frail beginning of "Sorry, Sorry." The performance lacked the strong, catchy synthesizer-based riffs

that play a key role in many of Rooney's songs.

Perhaps Rooney's biggest shortcoming on Saturday could be found in the performance of its new songs. "Paralyzed," "I Don't Think So," and "Not So Easy," were run of the mill, guitar-based arena rock anthems that seemed to be inspired by Styx and Whitesnake. This resulted in a downward turn away from the Electric Light Orchestra-influenced rock that gave them their unique California sound.

Rooney seems to have tragically lost its identity on new songs. With this loss of identity, it risks losing its audience. The harder-edged sound that it strives to achieve may prove to hack away at a core fan base that appreciates Rooney's catchy rock songs and the band's ability to evoke memories of summers spent on the beach. Conversely, it just wrapped up a tour headlined by pop-princess Kelly Clarkson, but expects credit as a rock band.

The biggest question Rooney faces is, "What's next?" It acts like an established rock band on stage, but the group has yet to arrive. If Saturday's performance is any indication of what fans can expect from Rooney's new release in October, it's likely that the band will continue to juggle mediocrity and arrogance.

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JESSICA LEE/The Observer

The band prevents guitarist Taylor Locke from proving his exceptional talent. Several of his guitar solos were shortened and overlooked at Legends.



JESSICA LEE/The Observer

Bassist Matthew Winter contributes to Rooney's weak performance. Newer songs played Saturday seemed to depart from the band's roots and may isolate its fans.

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Notre Dame 14, Georgia Tech 10

Escape from the Jackets' nest

Irish struggle early, recover in time to beat Georgia Tech 14-10 in opener



DUSTIN MENNELLA/The Observer

Notre Dame quarterback Brady Quinn, center, dives over the pile for a first down with 1:10 remaining in the fourth quarter. Quinn's sneak came on fourth and 1 from the Georgia Tech 47 and sealed the 14-10 victory for the Irish. Quinn also had a rushing touchdown and a critical 16-yard scamper on third-and-long.

By MIKE GILLOON
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ATLANTA — Brady Quinn didn't want to waste any more time getting out of Atlanta.

The Notre Dame quarterback bulldozed over Georgia Tech's 46 yard line with just over a minute remaining Saturday night for the game-icing fourth-and-one conversion as the Irish held off Georgia Tech for a 14-10 win.

"We only had half a yard to go," said Irish coach Charlie Weis, when asked why he decided to go for it on fourth down. "I wanted the players to know you have confidence in them to get a half a yard when the game is on the line."

The play was a fitting ending to a contest in which the Irish held Tech to just one touchdown, but never broke away from the pesky Yellow Jackets.

In fact, it was the often-criticized

defense that Weis credited for enabling No. 2 Notre Dame (1-0) to escape Bobby Dodd Stadium with a victory.

"I've challenged the defense every day," Weis said. "[The defense is] the reason why we won the game."

The Irish shutout Tech (0-1) in the second half and held Tech All-America receiver Calvin Johnson to one touchdown reception, while only three other Yellow Jackets caught passes.

In his first career start at linebacker, part-time running back Travis Thomas tallied four tackles — two of them for a loss — and Maurice Crum forced a crucial punt when he sacked Tech quarterback Reggie Ball for a 14-yard-loss on third-and-long with just over six minutes left in the game.

The Yellow Jackets never got the ball back.

Thomas and Darius Walker — who finished with 99 yards on

22 carries — pounded out seven carries before Quinn's sneak sealed the win.

Quinn finished 23-for-38 for 246 yards and no touchdown passes on a night when he accomplished more with his feet — scoring Notre Dame's first touchdown of the season on a quarterback draw just before halftime.

The senior signal caller took the snap at Georgia Tech's five yard line with the Irish down by 10 and 11 seconds remaining in the half and hustled up the middle into the end zone.

It was the only touchdown he would tally on the night, with the other Irish score courtesy of Walker, who scampered 13 yards off left tackle midway through the third quarter to put Notre Dame ahead for good.

Many of Notre Dame's problems were self-created, but Weis didn't leave without giving Georgia Tech credit.

"We expected this ... [the Yellow Jackets] didn't surprise me with what they did," he said. "We didn't have our best showing, but I'm happy with the outcome of this game."

"We knew it was going to be a dog fight going in," Quinn added.

Several Notre Dame miscues — including 11 penalties and two missed field goals — kept the Yellow Jackets around longer than the approximately 15,000 Irish fans who got into the game would have preferred.

The Irish racked up 20 penalty yards in the first four minutes of the game — two false starts and a holding penalty on receiver Rhema McKnight that nullified a 22-yard reception by Jeff Samardzija from Quinn.

Tech quarterback Reggie Ball — known more for his running than his passing — actually had more yards through the air at halftime than Quinn. But the

Irish secondary held him to just four completions for 23 yards after the break.

The Yellow Jackets stung the Irish early when All-America receiver Calvin Johnson leapt over Notre Dame cornerback Mike Richardson for a 4-yard touchdown reception. The gold-clad crowd of 56,680 — fired up after a pre-game fighter-jet flyover — roared, and a 30-yard Travis Bell field goal with 4:45 left in the first half gave the Yellow Jackets a 10-0 lead and hope for an upset.

But the second half didn't turn out like the first for Tech.

"Everything that [Notre Dame] did on defense was the same that we practiced for," said Tech running back Tashard Choice, who carried 14 times for 54 yards. "They just made the plays."

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player of the game

Brady Quinn

The senior didn't have his best game but stepped up during pivotal moments and made few, if any, mental errors.

stat of the game

0-for-4

Georgia Tech's third down conversions in the second half.

play of the game

Brady Quinn's touchdown run

With no time outs left, Quinn dove into the end zone with 11 seconds remaining in the first half to cut the Tech lead to three.

quote of the game

"We didn't have our best showing, but I'm happy with the outcome of this game."

Charlie Weis
Irish coach

report card

- B-** **quarterbacks:** Quinn did not play up to anyone's expectations Saturday, over-throwing mid- and long-range passes. Nevertheless, Quinn's touchdown run and big plays allowed the Irish to win.
- A-** **running backs:** The underrated hero of the game was Asaph Schwapp, who picked up the blitz excellently to save Quinn from several sacks. Walker started slow but finished strong.
- B+** **receivers:** McKnight beat cornerback Kenny Scott most of the game and finished with eight catches for 108 yards, and Samardzija's big catch in the fourth helped seal the victory.
- C-** **offensive line:** Freshman starter Sam Young was beaten often, senior left tackle Ryan Harris committed two unnecessary penalties late, and Quinn was under constant pressure.
- C** **defensive line:** The defensive line allowed Tech tailback Tashard Choice to be too productive in the first half, and Reggie Ball easily got past the line on several occasions in the second half. What's more, Ball had all day to throw.
- C+** **linebackers:** Travis Thomas and Maurice Crum showed good recognition of Ball's draw plays, but neither could prevent Ball from gaining yards. Choice got by the two on several occasions, as well.
- B+** **defensive backs:** The defensive backs held receivers not named Calvin Johnson to 29 yards. Freshman Darrin Walls played bravely, and Ambrose Wooden shut down Johnson late.
- C+** **special teams:** It was a mixed bag for special teams. West and Grimes were excellent on kickoff returns, and Price averaged 50.4 yards a punt. But Carl Gioia missed two makeable field goals.
- C** **coaching:** It took Weis a while to figure out that he couldn't let Quinn continually check-off to dump passes to the side, and the offense sputtered much of the night. On the flip side, the defense looked vastly improved, as did the return game.
- 2.42** **overall:** Notre Dame got an important victory on the road despite its mostly sloppy play.

adding up the numbers

- 7** First half points scored by Notre Dame. It tied the Fiesta Bowl as the lowest total for the team under Charlie Weis.
- 16** Yards receiving Calvin Johnson had in the second half. Johnson made two catches in the final two quarters.
- 8** Irish freshmen who played in the game. One, offensive lineman Sam Young, started.
- 10:50** Notre Dame's time of possession edge over Georgia Tech
- 4** Tackles Travis Thomas made in his first game at linebacker. Thomas made two tackles for a loss.
- 246** Yards passing by Notre Dame quarterback Brady Quinn
- 0** Turnovers by either team in the game. Neither team even fumbled.
- 11** Penalties called against Notre Dame that cost the Irish 80 yards.



DUSTIN MENNELA/The Observer

Irish quarterback Brady Quinn looks to throw in the first half of Notre Dame's 14-10 win over Georgia Tech Saturday. Quinn did not play up to his own standards against the Yellow Jackets but made several key plays in crucial situations to lead his team to victory.

Quinn has a very nice bad game

ATLANTA — Notre Dame's Heisman Trophy candidate didn't make a great case for himself most of the day Saturday. Luckily for the Irish, even on his off nights, he's still good enough to get the job done.

"We're in no way pleased with our performance, especially myself," quarterback Brady Quinn said after Notre Dame's 14-10 win. "I felt like this game could have been a lot more wide open if I would have fulfilled my job better."

Without throwing a touchdown, Quinn pulled himself together when it mattered most — like only the savvy veterans do.

As he marched the Irish downfield in the final 4:45 of the first half, the senior looked like the quarterback who directed a 21-point comeback against Michigan State a year ago.

Quinn's performance was reminiscent of the Michigan State game in a lot of ways — except for one. A year older and a season smarter, Quinn didn't put balls in bad places that could lead to turnovers or touchdowns.

He threw 38 passes. Only one was tipped.

Quinn didn't fumble a single time, and the offensive captain scored a touchdown on a quarterback draw with 11 seconds left in the first half.

"He got the look that we were counting on," Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said.

He always does.

Even if the showing was good enough to win the game, it won't

be good enough to win the Heisman Trophy — or Quinn's own approval.

"We've been practicing for a while so there's no excuse to make for [my performance]," Quinn said. "So I've got a lot of work to do on my own this week. We're not even thinking about Penn State yet."

Weis said he will dole out constructive criticism in heavy doses over the next few days.

That's just what Irish fans want to hear — no matter how good Quinn is, there's always room for improvement.

That statement is true, and it's how Notre Dame will win ball games. But the body of work he needs to improve upon is a testament to just how good Brady Quinn is.

He started the game completing most of his passes, but the majority were high-percentage quick outs behind the line of scrimmage that led to short gains.

"[Georgia Tech's blitzes were] causing check-offs due to pressure," Weis said.

"Some of the [plays] worked, some of them didn't."

Late in the second quarter, his longest completion to a wide receiver was a 9-yard hookup with Rhema McKnight. He had just two completions of more than 10 yards — both dump-offs to tight end John Carlson.

So as Tech continued to key on the side passes, Weis adjusted and called several no-check plays to force Tech to honor the run. That worked, and Quinn improved as the game wore on.

Basically, it comes down to this: in big spots, Quinn delivers.

Darius Walker converted on a brilliant scamper to the left pylon

that propelled Notre Dame to a 14-10 lead, and Quinn had the responsibility to save the win.

He did.

He directed an eight-play, 62-yard drive in the team's first series after taking the lead. The series only stalled when Rhema McKnight dropped a ball that hit his number a tad too hard and Carl Gioia missed a short field goal.

In Notre Dame's next — and penultimate — possession, Quinn hit Jeff Samardzija deep on the right sideline after Notre Dame started the series in its own red zone. The throw fell just over Samardzija's left shoulder — where only one 6-foot-5 man could catch it.

It was the best throw of the night by a quarterback who has made many better throws. But he managed the game like a Heisman

Quinn managed the game like a Heisman Trophy hopeful should, even if he missed open receivers more often than the winners usually do.

Trophy hopeful should, even if he missed open receivers more often than the winners usually do.

It wasn't a great performance, or even a good one by Quinn's own judgment.

But Irish fans should take solace in the fact that their team's signal-caller can play "poorly" and yet complete 23-of-38 passes for 246 yards while also rushing for a touchdown and allowing no turnovers.

High standards certainly are nice.

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Irish 'D' sends a clear message

Notre Dame's defense has a new number to focus on

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ATLANTA — Maybe 73 will be the new 617.

Locked in a low-scoring affair, Notre Dame's highly criticized defense held Georgia Tech's explosive offense to zero points and just 73 total yards in the second half, carrying the Irish on a night when their top-10 offense from the year before just never found its rhythm.

"Our much-maligned defense that everybody's telling me about, that's all I've heard this off-season — 617 yards," Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said. "If I hear that again, I'm going to vomit."

After entering the field to hostile chants from the hostile crowd, the Notre Dame defense took it upon itself in the second half to earn the victory for the No. 2 team in the nation.

"We just wanted to show that we can win games with our defense," Irish strong safety and defensive captain Tom Zbikowski said. "We wanted to come out and silence the 'Overrated' chants in the stands as soon as possible."

Zbikowski led Notre Dame with six solo tackles and two assists for eight total.

"I thought the defensive staff and defensive players showed up tonight," Weis said.

Irish running back Darius Walker, who rushed for 99 yards on 22 carries, agreed.

"The defense really deserves the win," he said.

Walker's backup at running back, senior Travis Thomas, playing in his first game at linebacker, made four tackles — including two for losses.

"I wasn't sure how fast the tempo would be on the defensive side of the ball," Thomas said. "Tonight I think we held our own against two great players in Reggie Ball and Calvin Johnson."

Thomas wasn't the only newcomer to the defense. After senior cornerback Ambrose Wooden was shaken up early, true freshman Darrin Walls entered

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Tom Zbikowski
Irish safety



Notre Dame freshman cornerback Darrin Walls tackles Georgia Tech wide receiver Calvin Johnson in the first half of the 14-10 Irish victory Saturday.

the game to cover All American Calvin Johnson on most plays.

"We know that Darrin Walls has cover skills," Weis said. "We knew that before we got him. The one thing he's going to learn is, now he's playing with big boys, not playing with a bunch of high school kids anymore."

For the most part, Walls kept Johnson from breaking a big play. But midway through the second quarter, Johnson shielded the 5-foot-11 Walls on a lob pass from Ball and made the grab at Notre Dame's 12-yard line for a 40-yard gain.

"Everyone sees the one play for 40 yards," Weis said. "But that wasn't the only play that was lined up against him... You didn't see the rest of the plays when [Walls and the other defenders] were there with [Johnson], too"

But when Wooden returned in the second half, the Irish defense only got

better against Johnson. The unit held the junior to just two catches and 16 yards in the final 30 minutes.

"He basically was shut down, and on top of it, we gave up no points in the second half," Weis said.

Without a solid passing game, Yellow Jackets quarterback Reggie Ball, who improvised on several second-down plays to cause problems for the Irish, ran eight times for 58 of Tech's 73 yards in the half.

"There were a lot of things we did pick out in film study and a lot of things we hadn't seen before," Thomas said.

Weis was most happy with the mental strengths of the unit and Tech's 20 percent conversion rate on third downs — including 0-for-4 in the second half.

"On defense, we had no penalties, okay?" Weis said. "You have two mental errors and no penalties in play with that type of emotion; get off the field on third down, that's usually going to bode well for your defense."

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Morton leads team in Victory March

Senior honors father after win, says he felt his dad's presence throughout the contest

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ATLANTA — He felt him at the opening snap. He felt him as he surged ahead for the game-winning first down. He felt him as he led his teammates in a post-game Victory March.

Irish offensive guard Bob Morton said Saturday that his father's presence was always on his mind as he helped lead Notre Dame to its season-opening, 14-10 victory at Georgia Tech.

"There are not many things in this world that I can't put into words," said Morton, when asked about how he felt walking off the field a winner less than two weeks after he lost his father, Robert, to stomach cancer. "This feeling is one of them."

"Part of me wishes my

dad's face would have been there on the sidelines," he told reporters after the game. "And part of me is really happy that I know he had a better seat."

Morton spoke of the support he has received from his teammates' parents and also a post-game hug from his coach.

"It was ... a well of emotions that was only heightened by Coach Weis opening his arms — which he doesn't do very often. I don't know where I would have been without him and some of the guys on this team."

It's raining bottled water

◆ Georgia Tech's public address announcer twice had to ask Yellow Jacket fans — mainly students — from throwing plastic bottles and trash onto the field.

The uproar began in the third quarter when Tech

linebacker Phillip Wheeler was whistled for an illegal helmet-to-helmet hit on Notre Dame quarterback Brady Quinn.

"He was in bounds, I hit him," Wheeler said. "I do not think it should have been a penalty."

Neither did his fellow students.

When the referee announced the personal foul penalty, a plastic water bottle flew out of the stands and landed right at his feet.

Negative news

◆ Notre Dame's Carl Gioia will probably receive more media attention than usual this week after the senior kicker missed two field goals Saturday night. But he won't receive any negativity from Weis.

"I talked to Carl about it," Weis said. "I said, 'You missed two field goals, you'll

go and make the next one.'"

Four x 100

◆ Irish receiver Rhema McKnight finished with 108 yards on eight receptions — the fourth 100-yard receiving game of his career.

His career high came in 2003 against Boston College, when the then-sophomore racked up 121 yards on just four receptions.

Walking tall

◆ Darius Walker reached the 2,000-yard rushing mark for his Notre Dame career Saturday night.

The Irish running back entered the Georgia Tech game with 1,982 yards after two seasons. His 99 yards on 22 carries now gives him 2,081.

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scoring summary

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Notre Dame	0	7	7	0	14
Ga. Tech	7	3	0	0	10

First quarter

Notre Dame 0, Georgia Tech 7
Calvin Johnson 4-yard reception from Reggie Ball with 0:35 remaining.
(Travis Bell kick)
Drive: 7 plays, 74 yards, 1:28 elapsed

Second quarter

Notre Dame 0, Georgia Tech 10
Bell 30-yard field goal with 4:45 remaining.
Drive: 8 plays, 50 yards, 3:29 elapsed
Notre Dame 7, Georgia Tech 10
Brady Quinn 5-yard run with 0:11 remaining.
(Carl Gioia kick)
Drive: 14 plays, 80 yards, 4:34 elapsed

Third quarter

Notre Dame 14, Georgia Tech 10
Darius Walker 13-yard run with 6:33 remaining.
(Gioia kick)
Drive: 14 plays, 64 yards, 5:29 elapsed

Fourth quarter

No scoring

statistics

total yards



rushing yards



passing yards



return yards



time of possession



40-138	rushes-yards	28-119
23-38-0	comp-att-int	12-24-0
5-252	punts-yards	7-337
0-0	fumbles-lost	0-0
11-80	penalties-yards	5-28
21	first downs	14

passing

Quinn	23-38-0	Ball	12-24-0
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rushing

Walker	22-99	Ball	11-55
Thomas, T.	6-19	Choice	14-54
Schwapp	3-13	Stephens	3-10

receiving

McKnight	8-108	Johnson, C.	7-111
Samardzija	6-74	Johnson, J.	2-10
Carlson	4-36	Smith	1-9
Walker	4-18	Dunlap	1-9
Freeman	1-10	Choice	1-1

punt returns

Zbikowski	4-30	Clark	3-24
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kickoff returns

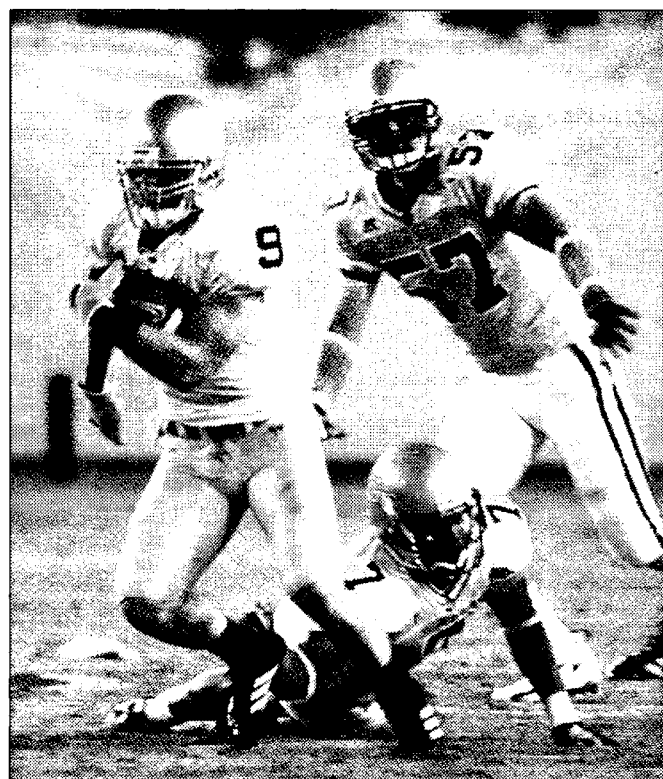
Grimes	1-46	Dunlap	1-17
West	1-33	Grant	1-18

punting

Price	5-252	Brooks	7-337
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tackling

Zbikowski	8	Wheeler	13
Crum	6	Clark	8
Ndukwe	5	Scott	7
Richardson	5	Anoai	6
Thomas, T.	4	Hall	5
Laws	3	Oliver	5
Walls	2	Robertson	4
Abiamiri	2	Jones	3
Frome	2	Guyton	3
Lambert	2	Walker	3
Wooden	2	Richard	2



SOUTHERN HOSTILITY

Notre Dame slipped out of the grasp of the Yellow Jackets in the season opener Saturday and won by running the ball in the second half. In front of an electric crowd of 55,000, Georgia Tech's defense shut down the Irish offense for most of the first two quarters but couldn't stop Brady Quinn from diving into the end zone with 11 seconds left in the half. The outcome was in doubt until Quinn leapt over a pile of Notre Dame and Tech linemen with just more than a minute remaining in regulation. The win wasn't as pretty as the Irish would have liked — but they'll take it.



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Top left, wide receiver David Grimes returns a kickoff in the first half. Top right, safety Tom Zbikowski shakes a tackler on one of his four punt returns. Bottom right, running back Darius Walker splits defenders in the second half. Bottom left, wide receiver Rhema McKnight turns upfield after one of his eight catches. Center, Irish defensive end Victor Abiamiri takes down Tech running back Rashaun Grant.



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Football around the globe

By CHRIS McGRADY
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In the center of London roved four Americans: three of my best friends and myself. Armed with a pint, a camera and a pocket full of hopes and dreams, my mates and I sought an English experience that was quintessential in its identity, superior in its "English-ness" and, perhaps most importantly of all, cheap.

Loathsome of the touristy nature of Trafalgar Square and Westminster Abbey, we set out in search of a real-English experience, something to really write home about. A place where maybe for a moment, we could set ourselves apart from our American identities and thrive in a culture so very different from our own.

OK. Fat chance. Vehemently seeking to lose ourselves in a throng of English-types, we arrived at Craven Cottage, the stadium for the Fulham Football Club. Once there, it was painfully obvious to every one that we were the token Americans. In fact, the idiocy of Americans (or perceived idiocy) may be no more evident than at a football match.

Everyone in the stadium immediately knew we were American, no matter how hard we tried. First of all, just take into account the fact that Americans most definitely do not speak English. We speak — well — American.

For example, translate the following sentence: "The Gaffer made a cheeky move in extra-time, sending off the left striker, so adept at selling the dummy, in favor of another middy who, despite a productive Cup, couldn't seem to finish the sitter. You have to wonder if he is match-fit."

Yes, this is just one example of the typical English jargon that my friends

and I were left to interpret. Needless to say, it didn't go well.

The sentence translates to this: "The coach made an intriguing move in over-time, substituting the left forward, who is very good at faking people out, in favor of a midfielder, who despite playing well in the World Cup, couldn't even score with the ball sitting on the goal line just waiting to be put in. You have to question if he is in shape." But it is about more than the language — it is about the very level to which these fans take their fanaticism.

Only America has truly failed to embrace the sport of football — or soccer. However, in England and around the world, it is not only fervently adored, but is even more so a way of life. To them, sport isn't a facet of life, it is life. For my friends and me, this was truly something to behold.

Utmost importance is placed on football and the cheers and events surrounding it. We sat near a group of hooligans who could teach even the most hardcore Notre Dame fans a bit about dedication. So deep are the roots of Fulham fans that included in the programs sold during the match — alongside rosters, biographies and statistics — are obituaries. These people literally live and die for their teams.

Almost every person has a team that is "theirs," and year in and year out, rain or shine, these people eat, sleep and breathe football. But one thing struck me as Notre Dame prepared for kickoff this weekend against Georgia Tech and 100 Notre Dame students packed a bar until 5:30 a.m. to catch the game. I started to realize that maybe, despite a thousand things that set us apart, we aren't so different after all.

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By TAE ANDREWS
Scene Writer

The immortal English playwright William Shakespeare once wrote, "All the world's a stage, and all the people merely players on it." Nowhere is this more true than in the wide world of football, where a contest of will between two teams of 11 men becomes a battle of good versus evil, played out in two acts and four quarters.

Whether it's the rock-star status of professional athletes or the big man on campus status of Brady Quinn, there's no denying that sport has a flair for the dramatic, blurring the line between sport and theatre. (See USC-Notre Dame last season, specifically one Reggie Bush.)

As a junior studying abroad in London, I decided to foray into the wide world of English football, which despite sharing the same name, is very different from our own American version of football (rounder ball, continuous action, less contact). However, at the same time there exist some veins which run true throughout all of sport, regardless of country, language and ball type — hatred of the refs and loud cheering.

In the sports parlance here, the word "football" denotes not the Saturday and Sunday crunching of pads and gridiron glory, but rather the more appropriately named football with the greater emphasis on kicking. And kicking is exactly what Notre Dame abroad students will be doing — kicking themselves, should the Irish go undefeated in their 2006 campaign.

A major part of the study abroad experience is watching Notre Dame football games not from the familiar and cozy confines of the student section of Notre Dame stadium, but from the relatively new vantage point of a pub in London.

And while sitting in a crowded, smoke-filled pub watching the Irish gut out a gutsy 14-10 win over Georgia Tech, it occurred to me that football isn't just a sport, isn't just entertainment — it's a religion. And all of us fans are the congregation.

Football is the collision of sport, theater and religion, all crashing into each other on a grass field painted with white lines. The players are the actors, por-

traying in turn the hero and the goat, depending on the outcome of the game. And if we are doing really well, then they turn into something else: champions, demi-gods, idols for hero worship.

The audience, on the other hand, is the congregation, fervently hoping, wishing, and praying. They show their faith by cheering, whether the announcers of football games, the vox populi, are screaming "He ... could ... go ... all ... the ... way!" or the more concise, "Gooaaallllll!" Fan support in wallet and in person is undying, as evidenced by sold-out home game attendance and merchandise sales.

Don't believe me? Even at uber-Catholic Notre Dame, where Stonehenge should probably run with holy water instead of your typical H2O, how many students miss an occasional Mass or two? Take that number, then compare it to the number of students who miss an occasional home football game. I'd be willing to bet that there are more lapsed Catholics than there are lapsed Fightin' Irish football fans.

Also as undoubtedly, the guy sitting next to you is probably sporting his home team's colors, whether it's the blue Tradition shirt of the student section or the light blue of English Premiership soccer club Chelsea. You see, sports fans, in addition to being gluttons for punishment, are emotionally transparent: we wear our hearts on our sleeves, whether it's a No. 10 kelly green-and-gold throwback or just a heartbroken gaze of stunned disbelief as Reggie Bush pushes Matt Leinart across a goal line.

Regardless of country, language or even the type of football being played, one thing is for sure: the masses will gather in great dithyrambic stadiums of steel and stone to sing songs, drink copious amounts of beer and pour our heart and soul in support of team and nation.

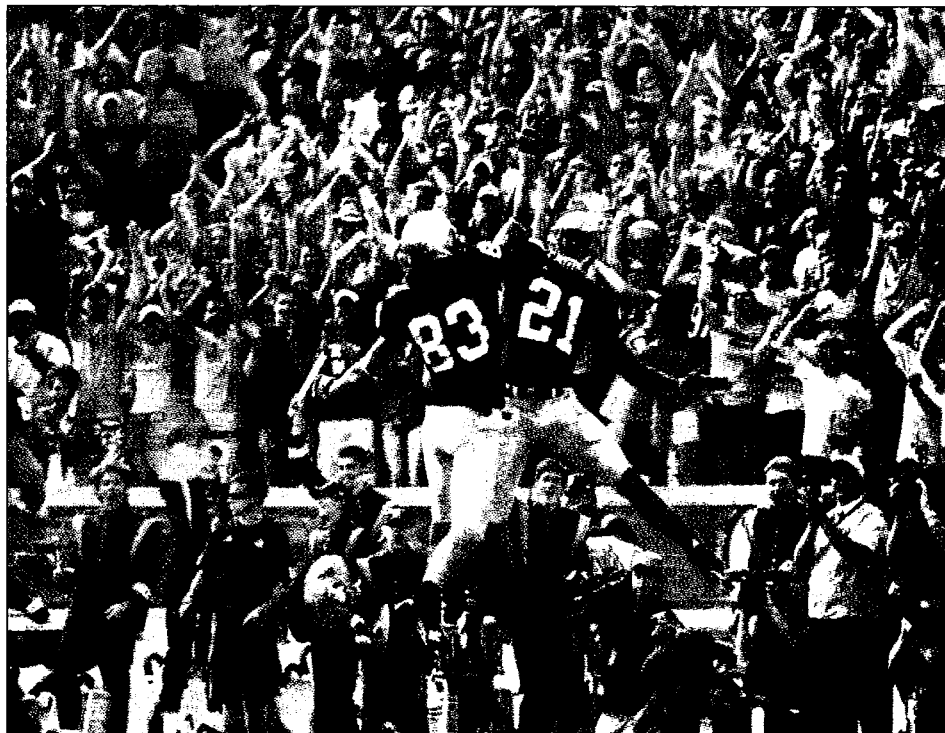
Just don't underestimate the importance of football. As English Premiership Liverpool coach Bill Shankly once said, "Some people believe football is a matter of life and death. I'm very disappointed with that attitude. I can assure you, it is much, much more important than that."

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On the other side of the pond, soccer teams like Middlesbrough test the limits of gravity while fans evoke the same fanaticism seen in American football.



CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Irish players Jeff Samardzija, left, and Maurice Stovall achieve similar heights Sept. 17, 2005, proving that football players and fans around the globe aren't very different.

MLB — NL

Howard's three homers blast Phillies past Braves

Cardinals beat Pirates; Mets fall to Astros

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — With each home run, Ryan Howard is keeping Philadelphia's wild-card push alive.

Howard homered in his first three at-bats, raising his major league-leading total to 52, and the Phillies rallied after wasting a five-run lead to beat the Atlanta Braves 8-7 in Sunday's doubleheader opener.

Howard's 50th home run was a solo shot in the second inning, and he followed with a two-run drive in the third. His third homer was an opposite-field, solo shot to left in the sixth that made it 6-1. He leads the major leagues with 133 RBIs.

Each homer, all off Tim Hudson, was greeted with a standing ovation and chants of "M-V-P!" as Howard rounded the bases.

"That last homer he hit I thought was his most impressive one," Hudson said. "It was a four-seamer up and away. It was off the plate away. This is a great park for him, too. It will definitely bring confidence to him as hitter."

The reigning NL Rookie of the Year became the 23rd player to hit 50 homers. He broke the previous mark for second-year players, set when Ralph Kiner's hit 51 for Pittsburgh in 1947.

A fan jumped over the dugout onto the field and bowed at Howard before his fourth at-bat, in the eighth. Howard lined a single against reliever Macay McBride for his second career four-hit game.

"What can you say? It's unreal," Phillies manager Charlie Manuel said. "It's a credit to him and his hard work."

Howard broke Mike Schmidt's Philadelphia season record when he hit his 49th against Washington on Thursday night.

Albert Pujols of St. Louis homered in his first three at-bats during a 6-3 win over Pittsburgh. It was the first time two players homered three times on the same day since Pujols and Cleveland's Travis Hafner did it on July 20, 2004, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

With a 6-3 lead in the ninth, Fabio Castro allowed a three-run, opposite-field homer to right by Matt Diaz. But Jimmy

Rollins and Shane Victorino hit RBI singles off Bob Wickman (0-1) in the bottom half.

"A wild finish, but the thing is we won the game," Manuel said.

Geoff Geary (7-0) got two outs in the ninth. The Phillies entered Sunday one game behind San Diego in the NL wild-card standings.

Jamie Moyer allowed three runs and six hits in 7 1-3 innings in his home debut for the Phillies. Moyer, a Pennsylvania native, made the school's hall of fame at nearby Saint Joseph's.

Hudson gave up six runs and six hits in seven innings.

"Today was a tough one, very disappointing," Hudson said.

Moyer allowed Edgar Renteria's solo homer in the first but settled down against a lineup missing third baseman Chipper Jones and second baseman Marcus Giles. Jones was a late scratch with a sore oblique muscle on his left side. Willy Aybar started for Jones.

Giles returned to Atlanta for medical tests. He missed Saturday's doubleheader and visited a Philadelphia hospital, where he said he was told he may have a heart defect.

With the score 1-1 in the third, Rollins hit a go-ahead triple and scored on Victorino's single. Todd Pratt hit a two-run homer for the Braves in the eighth.

Cardinals 6, Pirates 3

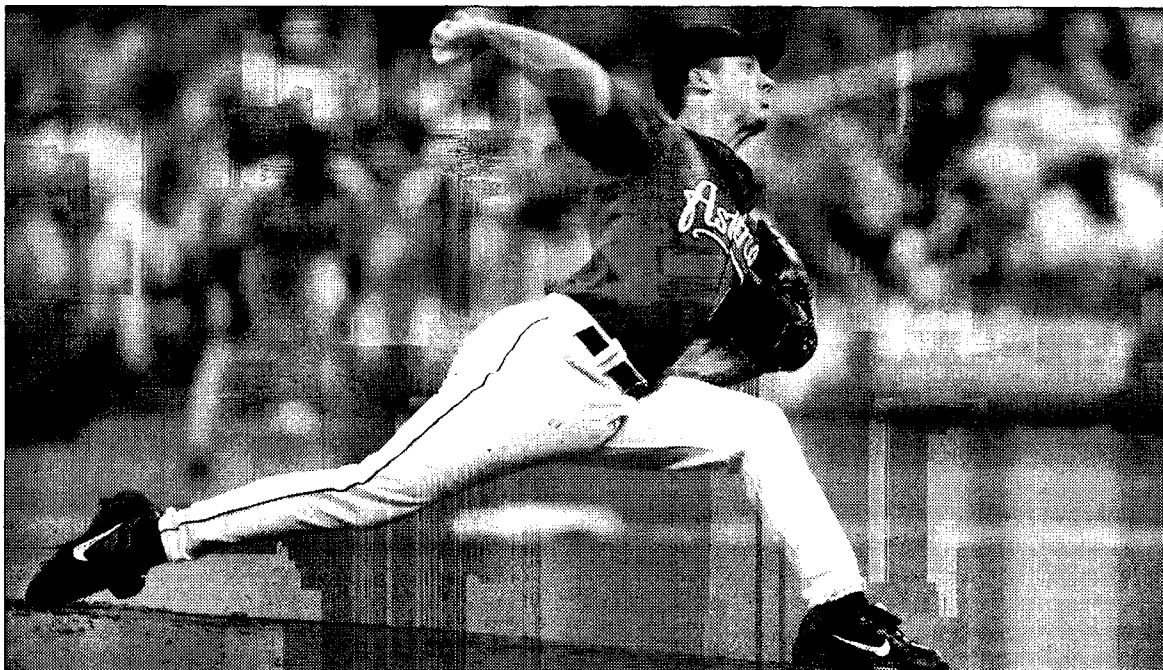
Albert Pujols has a daughter with Down Syndrome, and the St. Louis Cardinals' annual "buddy walk" game always seems to bring out his best.

Children with Down Syndrome circled the field in pre-game ceremonies, and then stood with players at their positions during "The Star-Spangled Banner." More than a few asked him to hit a home run for them.

He then homered in his first three at-bats, honoring Isabella Pujols and all special needs children in a victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates on Sunday.

"It's always good to do something special for those kids, but I don't try to put pressure on myself," Pujols said. "It doesn't matter if they're there or not. I'm just going to try the best I can to help my team to win."

Since Pujols became spokesman for the "buddy walk" games in 2002, he's 9-for-20 with five homers, nine RBIs and seven runs scored while the Cardinals have gone



Astros pitcher Roy Oswalt delivers a pitch against the Mets in the first inning of his win Sunday. Oswalt took a perfect game into the seventh inning and struck out a season high nine batters.

4-1.

"If that's the case," he said, "we need to bring those kids more often."

Pirates pitcher Ian Snell said he had to laugh after Pujols' third straight home run off him. He also said he felt like giving last year's NL MVP a high-five.

"I mean, that's unreal," Snell said. "That's like Superman playing baseball."

Pujols connected with the bases empty in the first, and hit two-run drives in the third and fifth, all off Snell (12-9). He's 4-for-6 with four homers and seven RBIs against Snell, and with 42 homers reached the 40-mark for the fourth straight season. It was his third three-homer game, his second of the season.

Philadelphia's Ryan Howard homered in his first three at-bats in a doubleheader opener against Atlanta. It was the first time two players homered three times on the same day since Pujols and Cleveland's Travis Hafner did it on July 20, 2004. It was the first time a pair did it in the first three plate appearances since Cincinnati's Johnny Bench and Atlanta's Orlando Cepeda — a pair of Hall of Famers — on July 26, 1970.

Pujols missed a bid for a fourth homer in the seventh with a drive to left off Brian Rogers that was caught by Jason Bay just shy of the warning track, protesting afterward that he never tries for the long ball.

"Was I trying to hit the first one, the second one, the third one?" Pujols said. "No, I just try to have good at-bats. Like I say, it's not about me, it's about my team."

Astros 2, Mets 1

Fresh off signing a \$73 million contract extension, Roy Oswalt is showing his worth to the Houston Astros.

Oswalt took a perfect-game bid into the seventh inning and struck out a season-high nine as the Astros beat the New York Mets Sunday despite getting just one hit.

"Overall, stuff-wise, this was probably the best I've had in a while," Oswalt said. "I had all four pitches working."

Oswalt (11-8), who signed the five-year extension on Tuesday, didn't allow a baserunner until Jose Reyes beat out a bouncer to shortstop leading off the seventh. Adam Everett tried for a barehanded pickup but couldn't come up with the ball.

Oswalt said he didn't start thinking about a perfect game until just before Reyes' at-bat.

"I knew I had a long way to go, nine outs to go," Oswalt said. "Mentally, it's tough. You make one mistake over the plate and they can hurt you."

Oswalt was surprised it lasted that long. He throws mostly strikes and expects opponents to hit him every time he pitches.

"They happen more to guys who don't throw as many strikes as I do," he said. "A lot of times, when you're in the

zone so much, a guy can hit it here or there. When you throw a lot of strikes, it's hard to get a no-hitter."

For most of the game, the Mets struggled to even make contact.

Oswalt struck out the side in the third and ended the fourth and fifth innings with strikeouts. He allowed three hits in 7 2-3 innings.

"Roy always has a good fastball," Houston manager Phil Garner said, "but I think his breaking ball was exceptional today. He had great arm action."

Chad Qualls finished the eighth, and Brad Lidge finished for his 29th save in 34 chances.

The Mets failed to complete what would have been their first three-game sweep in Houston since 1984 and lost for just the second time when allowing a single hit. The first came was against St. Louis on Sept. 14, 1991, when Ray Lankford hit a two-run single off David Cone in a 2-1 game.

"It's a strange game line, but that's baseball," Randolph said. "Not too many opportunities, a sacrifice fly here and there. Real strange game."

Orlando Hernandez (9-10), who hadn't pitched since Aug. 20, struck out four and walked six in 5 1-3 innings as the Mets lost for just the third time in their last 16 games.

The Mets had rested the 40-year-old El Duque because of fatigue, but Hernandez was discouraged by his 106-pitch effort.

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Major League Baseball

American League East

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
New York	81-54	.600	5-5	-
Boston	73-63	.537	3-7	8.5
Toronto	70-66	.515	3-7	11.5
Baltimore	61-75	.449	5-5	20.5
Tampa Bay	55-82	.401	3-7	27

American League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Detroit	84-52	.618	3-7	-
Chicago	79-57	.581	5-5	5
Minnesota	78-57	.578	5-5	5.5
Cleveland	65-70	.481	8-2	18.5
Kansas City	51-87	.370	5-5	34

American League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Oakland	79-57	.581	8-2	-
Los Angeles	71-65	.522	4-6	8
Texas	70-68	.507	5-5	10
Seattle	64-72	.471	7-3	15

National League East

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
New York	84-51	.622	7-3	-
Philadelphia	69-67	.507	5-5	15.5
Florida	68-68	.500	8-2	16.5
Atlanta	64-71	.474	5-5	20
Washington	59-77	.434	5-5	25.5

National League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
St. Louis	73-62	.541	7-3	-
Cincinnati	68-69	.496	2-8	6
Houston	67-70	.489	7-3	7
Milwaukee	62-75	.453	0-10	12
Chicago	55-81	.404	2-8	18.5
Pittsburgh	54-83	.394	5-5	20

National League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Los Angeles	73-63	.537	7-3	-
San Diego	70-66	.515	6-4	3
San Francisco	68-69	.496	6-4	5.5
Arizona	64-72	.471	2-8	9
Colorado	63-73	.463	4-6	10

PGA TOUR World Golf Rankings

	player	events	total points
1	Tiger Woods	41	911.58
2	Phil Mickelson	45	401.30
3	Jim Furyk	53	433.76
4	Vijay Singh	61	444.37
5	Adam Scott	49	317.62
6	Retief Goosen	57	362.06
7	Ernie Els	46	272.85
8	Sergio Garcia	49	282.70
9	Geoff Ogilvy	54	309.52
10	Luke Donald	51	283.73
11	David Toms	50	237.06
12	David Howell	53	239.28
13	Chris DiMarco	52	228.13
14	Trevor Immelman	54	235.17
15	Colin Montgomerie	57	241.22
16	Jose Maria Olazabal	54	220.41
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18	Padraig Harrington	55	210.60
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20	Chad Campbell	52	191.86

around the dial

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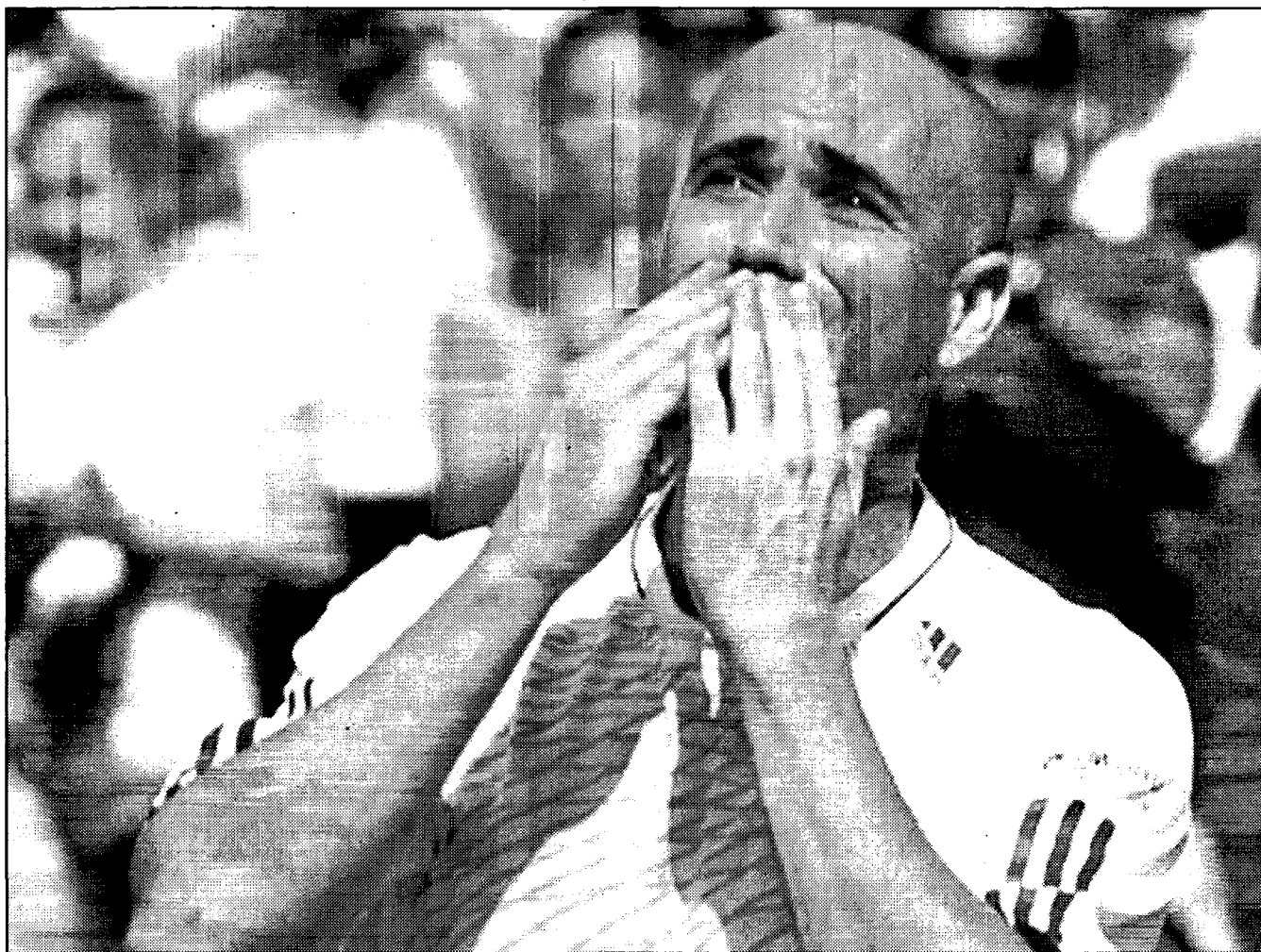
Pittsburg at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m., WGN

Chicago White Sox at Boston, 7:05 p.m., Comcast Chicago

NCAA FOOTBALL

Florida State at Miami (Fl.), 8 p.m., ESPN

TENNIS



Andre Agassi thanks the crowd after finishing his career with a loss to Germany's Benjamin Becker at the U.S. Open Sunday. Becker won the match 7-5, 6-7 (4), 6-4, 7-5.

Agassi's storied career draws to a close

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Crouched alone in the silence of the locker room, a pro tennis player no more, a red-eyed Andre Agassi twisted his torso in an attempt to conquer the seemingly mundane task of pulling a white shirt over his head.

Never more than at that moment did Agassi seem so vulnerable, looking far older than his 36 years, wrestling not simply with his bad back but also with two overwhelming and conflicting emotions.

There was the concrete sense of departure, of knowing his career came to an end Sunday with a 7-5,

6-7 (4), 6-4, 7-5 loss to 112th-ranked Benjamin Becker in the third round at the U.S. Open. And there was the freeing sense of excitement, of knowing he has more time to devote to his wife, Steffi Graf, and their two children; of knowing there are no more flights to catch, no more practice sessions, no more injections to dull the searing pain of an irritated sciatic nerve.

That's why, for Agassi himself and the 20,000 or so fans who honored him with a raucous, four-minute standing ovation in Arthur Ashe Stadium after the match, it truly did not matter all that much what

Sunday's outcome was. This day and this tournament were all about saying goodbye to an eight-time Grand Slam champion who grew up in front of the world, from cocky kid with the shoulder-length hair and denim shorts to the thoughtful guy with the shaved pate and proper tennis whites.

"The scoreboard said I lost today, but what the scoreboard doesn't say is what it is I've found," Agassi told the crowd, tears streaming down his cheeks, his voice cracking with emotion. "Over the last 21 years, I've found loyalty. You have pulled for me on the court and also in life. I

have found inspiration. You have willed me to succeed sometimes even in my lowest moments."

He could have been referring to his losses in his first three major finals, two at the French Open and one at the U.S. Open, setbacks that made him wonder if he'd ever reach the very top. Or, more likely, when, having won Wimbledon and reached No. 1, he sank to 141st in the rankings and resorted to playing in tennis' minor leagues in 1997. Or, most recently, when his back hurt so badly after the first two rounds of this U.S. Open, the tournament he announced this summer would be his last.

IN BRIEF

Roethlisberger to miss Steelers' season opener

PITTSBURGH — Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger had an emergency appendectomy after becoming ill before practice Sunday and will miss Thursday night's season opener against Miami.

Coach Bill Cowher is not certain how long Roethlisberger will be out following the quarterback's third operation in 10 months — and second in 2 1/2 months.

"The surgery went well," Cowher said. "He is obviously going to be out this week and we will go week to week from there."

Charlie Batch, the former Lions starter who was 2-0 as a fill-in last season when Roethlisberger hurt his knee, will start against the Dolphins in the NFL's first game of the season.

"This is why Charlie is here. Charlie will be fine," Cowher said. "It's a situation that can happen to any football team. You can go out there and have a

starter go down, whether it's an ankle or something else of that nature. That's the nature of the business."

Sorenstam sets course record to win State Farm Classic

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — Annika Sorenstam waved to the raucous gallery, picked up the ball and tossed it toward a sky box after ending a nearly flawless day with a 20-foot birdie putt.

It was the perfect finish to a round that carried her to an LPGA record and a victory at the State Farm Classic.

Down five strokes at the start of play Sunday, Sorenstam tied the LPGA mark for the lowest final-round score by a tournament winner with a 62. She shot 10 under for the day to finish 19 under, two strokes ahead of Cristie Kerr (67).

"To come from five behind and to win by two, it's pretty amazing," Sorenstam said. "It's something I'm going to remember for quite some time."

Third-round leader Maria Hjorth (70) fell out of contention with a double bogey on the 16th hole and finished tied for third at 16 under with Seon-Hwa Lee (69) and Il Mi Chung (69).

Chargers' Foley shot three times by off-duty officer

SAN DIEGO — Chargers linebacker Steve Foley was shot by an off-duty policeman in front of his suburban home Sunday. Coach Marty Schottenheimer said the wounds were not life-threatening.

"All we're worried about is that he's OK," Schottenheimer told The Associated Press in a telephone interview.

The early morning shooting occurred after the officer reported seeing a suspected drunken driver weaving in and out of traffic on an area highway and attempting to pull him over, said sheriff's Lt. Dennis Brugos.

PGA

Singh sets new record with -10

Woods shoots 67; three back after three rounds

Associated Press

NORTON, Mass. — All that hard work finally paid off Sunday for Vijay Singh, who shot the best round of his PGA Tour career and put himself in position to end another streak by Tiger Woods at the Deutsche Bank Championship.

Singh played his first five holes in 5 under par, then finished with three straight birdies for a 10-under 61 to set the course record at the TPC of Boston and build a three-shot lead over Woods, who shot 67.

Two years ago, Singh went toe-to-toe with Woods in the final round on Labor Day and beat him by three shots to rise to No. 1, ending Woods' record 264 consecutive weeks atop the world ranking.

Woods now has won four straight times on the PGA Tour, and Singh is poised to end that streak.

"It would be good," Singh said. "I'm not going to be thinking about his streak or beating him. I've been playing long enough to know that you don't go out there and worry about the guys who are playing with you. You worry about your own game and see what happens."

There were no worries Sunday.

Even more impressive than his score were the miserable conditions in which Singh shot his 61.

A light rain at the start of the third round never let up, coating the fairways with a thin layer of moisture, making it difficult to keep clubs dry. With little wind, however, Singh took dead aim at the flags and was never too far off.

"This is one of the worst conditions you want to play golf in because it gets everything wet," Singh said. "I just kept on plodding."

And he kept making birdies, finishing at 11-under 202.

Woods had a chance to get closer, if not catch him over the final two hours after Singh was done.

Woods missed four birdie putts inside 15 feet on the back nine, including putts of 10 feet on No. 15 and 8 feet on No. 17.

He looked out of sync over the closing holes, letting his hand fly from the club even on shots that turned out well. There was frustration even when he reached the par-5 18th in two, setting up a two-putt birdie that put him in the final group with Singh.

Justin Rose also birdied the 18th for a 69, leaving him tied with Woods at 205.

J.J. Henry, three weeks away from playing in his first Ryder Cup, shot 68 and was at 207, along with Shaun Micheel (68).

"Hopefully, I can play a little better than last time," Woods said of his duel with Singh. "I just know that tomorrow, given that conditions are as soft as they are, I'm going to have to make some birdies."

SLIP-SLIDING AWAY



LAURIE HUNT/The Observer

Irish midfielder Ashley Jones defends the ball from a slide tackle by Broncos midfielder Tiffany Roberts in Notre Dame's 3-1 win Sunday over No. 1 Santa Clara. Notre Dame also beat USC Friday night 2-0 to win the Inn at Saint Mary's Classic.

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Monday, October 30, 2006

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Monday, February 5, 2007

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Monday, March 26, 2007

"Farmingville" (2003, 78 min.)

Winner of the Special Jury Prize at the Sundance Film Festival, P.O.V. presents a provocative, complex and emotionally-charged look into the ongoing nationwide controversy surrounding a suburban community, its ever-expanding population of illegal immigrants, and the shockingly hate-based attempted murders of two Mexican day laborers. The *New York Times* described it as, "A primer for anyone who cares to better understand the usually unseen cost of America's appetite for cheap labor."

Monday, April 2, 2007

"Is Wal-Mart Good For America?" (2004, 60 min.)

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NCAA FOOTBALL

No. 19 Penn State upends Akron in season opener

*Michigan edges Vandy;
USC handles Arkansas*

Associated Press

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — On his first pass as Penn State's starting quarterback, Anthony Morelli showed coach Joe Paterno that his offense was in good hands.

The throw sailed through rain-drops and over two defenders into the end zone. Morelli pumped his fist after wideout Deon Butler came down with a 42-yard touchdown pass to give Penn State a 7-0 lead.

The strong-armed junior threw for two more scores and 206 yards and No. 19 Penn State showed some different wrinkles on defense to defeat Akron 34-16 at rain-soaked Beaver Stadium.

Morelli, replacing last year's do-it-all leader Michael Robinson, did make a few mistakes, including a third-quarter fumble. With a trip looming next week to No. 2 Notre Dame, Paterno offered cautious praise.

"I thought he started out well, did a good job, but overall he was fine," said Paterno, in his 41st season as head coach.

Akron coach J.D. Brookhart was a little more gracious.

"That kid can throw from one half to the other, 20 yards deep," Brookhart said. "You won't see a better arm this year."

Morelli also connected for TD passes with Jordan Norwood and Derrick Williams for Penn State (1-0), delighting fans bundled up in rain slickers after the remnants of Tropical Storm Ernesto drenched Happy Valley.

Highly recruited coming out of high school, Morelli watched from the bench his first two seasons at Penn State. Robinson was instrumental in guiding Penn State's explosive offense last year. There were questions about how the Nittany Lions would look this year with a new leader and an offensive line featuring four new starters.

The running game struggled, and Tony Hunt, who ran for 1,000 yards last season, gained just 36 on the ground Saturday, though Hunt did have a late touchdown.

"I think they got their (butts) kicked in today," Paterno said about the offensive line. "Simple as that."

But given time to throw, Morelli clicked with his talented receiving corps.

"He just kept a level head today," said Butler, who had two catches for 50 yards. "He never got nervous or mad when he came back to the huddle."

Trailing 17-3 at halftime, the Zips (0-1) gained some momentum after Penn State freshman A.J. Wallace fumbled the second-half kickoff at midfield.

Luke Getsy kept the ensuing drive alive by hitting Kris Kasperek for a 12-yard gain on fourth-and-7 from the Penn State 16. On the next play, Dennis Kennedy bowled over Justin King to get into the end zone for a 4-yard score — but Matt Domonkos missed an extra point — and Akron cut the deficit to 17-9.

Wallace redeemed himself on the next kickoff with a 54-yard sideline-to-sideline return to the Akron 40. Morelli found the sure-handed Norwood for a couple completions before connecting with Williams down the left sideline for 20 yards and a 24-9 lead.

Getsy finished 22-of-42 for 160 yards with one touchdown and two interceptions, while Kennedy ran for 59 yards on 25 carries.

"We made too many mistakes to have a chance to win that football game," Brookhart said.

Penn State often employed three linemen and four linebackers on defense instead of the 4-3 scheme that worked well for Penn State last season.

Three linemen graduated off last year's starting line while Penn State is stocked at linebacker, including All-American Paul Posluszny, so the 3-4 look plays to the Nittany Lions' strength.

"We don't show that often," defensive coordinator Tom Bradley said. "We wanted to set the tempo in the game."

Two third-quarter series typified Akron's frustrations. One drive stalled after Getsy, under pressure on third down in the backfield, found David Harvey

for a 5-yard pass before he was immediately hit by Anthony Scirrotto.

No. 14 Michigan 27, Vanderbilt 7

Michigan was solid early and late in its opener.

In the middle of the matchup against Vanderbilt, Mike Hart acknowledged the Wolverines were sluggish offensively.

The shifty running back ran for 146 yards to lead No. 14 Michigan to a victory over the Commodores on Saturday.

"We made a lot of mistakes that were drive-killers," Hart said. "That's one thing we can't have in bigger games. Every time you win, you're going to be happy. But we need to improve a lot to be a championship contender."

Michigan has another tuneup, against Central Michigan, before visiting No. 2 Notre Dame.

"We have a lot of work to do," coach Lloyd Carr said. "That's for sure."

The Wolverines are coming off a 7-5 season, their worst since going .500 in 1984. They have their lowest preseason ranking since 1997, when they went on to win a national championship.

Michigan scored on an impressive opening drive and had a chance to build an early cushion, but Vanderbilt blocked a kick and scored on a trick play to pull within three points early in the second quarter.

The Wolverines went ahead 20-7 late in the third on Chad Henne's 14-yard pass to a leaping Tyler Ecker on a third down.

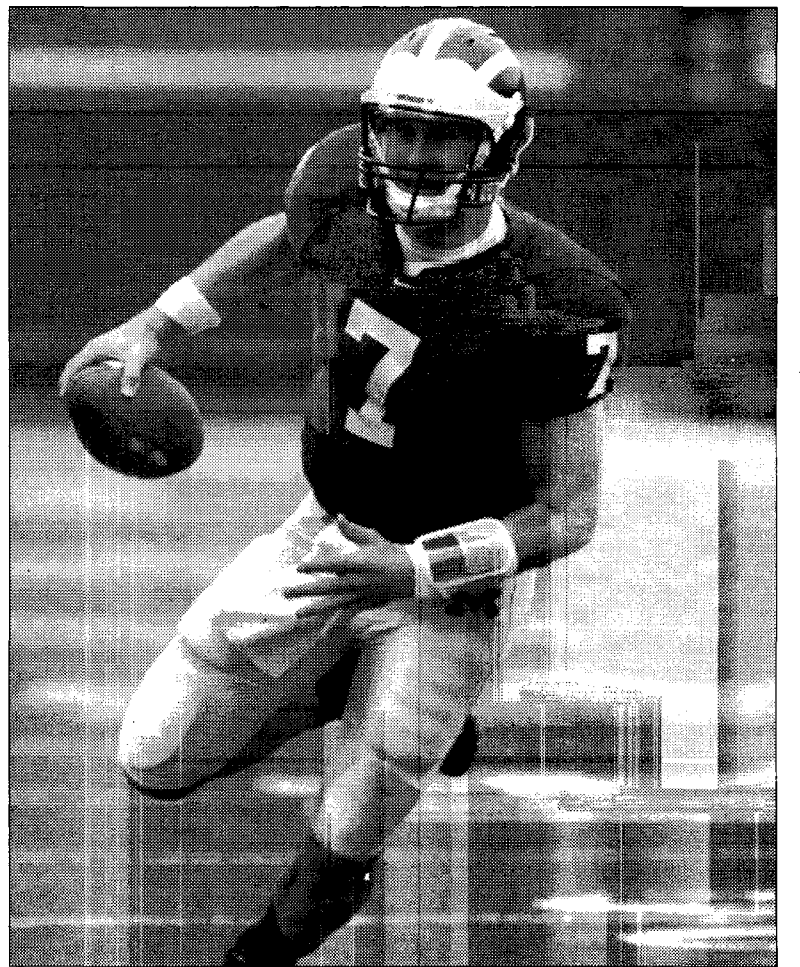
Michigan sealed its eighth straight home opener by forcing quarterback Chris Nickson to fumble for a second time with 4:33 left near midfield, leading to Henne's 27-yard pass to Mario Manningham.

Henne finished 10-of-22 for 135 yards with two TDs.

"It definitely wasn't my best, but we'll see next week how much improvement I make," he said after throwing some poor passes and having a few dropped.

No. 6 USC 50, Arkansas 14

If this is what a rebuilding year looks like at Southern



Michigan quarterback Chad Henne scrambles during the third quarter of the Wolverines' 27-7 victory Saturday. Michigan plays Central Michigan before traveling to Notre Dame Sept. 16.

California, the rest of the country could be in big trouble.

John David Booty threw three touchdown passes in the second half, and the sixth-ranked Trojans rolled to a 50-14 win over Arkansas on Saturday night in their first game since Reggie Bush and Matt Leinart moved on to the NFL.

"It's great," Booty said. "Some people have doubted us — didn't know really what we had. To be able to come out tonight and score 50 points — I thought our offensive line and our running backs did a great job."

USC beat Arkansas 70-17 last year, but was expected to slip a bit without Leinart and Bush, the 2004 and 2005 Heisman Trophy winners. Instead, the Trojans exceeded the 49 points per game they averaged last season.

USC needed a little help getting started, and the Razorbacks provided it with five turnovers — three while the game was still in doubt.

"We can't give a team of their caliber that many opportunities," Arkansas quarterback Robert Johnson said.

Arkansas running back Felix Jones fumbled three times in the first half, and USC recovered two of them. Kevin Thomas returned Jones' last fumble 12 yards to the Arkansas 3. After an incomplete, freshman C.J. Gable ran for a touchdown to give USC a 10-0 lead.

The Trojans led 16-7 at halftime, and Terrell Thomas' interception early in the third quarter gave USC the ball at the Arkansas 28. Booty's 14-yard touchdown pass to Patrick Turner made it 23-7.

USC has won 46 of its last 48 games. The Trojans went 12-1 last year, just missing an unprecedented third straight national title when they lost to Texas 41-38.

Last year, the Trojans scored four touchdowns in their first eight plays against Arkansas. USC didn't strike as quickly this time, but had no trouble controlling the ball against the Razorbacks, keeping it for 35:19.

Booty went 24-of-35 for 261 yards and made few mistakes as he began the difficult challenge of replacing Leinart at quarterback.

"I thought he handled himself beautifully," USC coach Pete Carroll said. "Got us off to a terrific start."

USC finally went on an extended touchdown drive toward the end of the third quarter. The Trojans moved 80 yards in 11 plays, and Booty found Fred Davis in the back corner of the end zone for a 9-yard score.

Darren McFadden had nine carries for 42 yards for Arkansas. McFadden, last year's Southeastern Conference freshman of the year, dislocated his toe in late July in a fight outside a Little Rock club.

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Outlook is strong for Belles

Team looks solid in Alumnae Exhibition

By BECKI DORNER
Sports Writer

The runners of the Belles cross country team started their fall season on a positive note as hosts this past Saturday at the Alumnae Exhibition Meet. The team posted faster than expected times for the course that measured a little longer than the usual 5K distance.

Junior Megan Gray led the team with a 21:16, followed by Sara Otto, Katie White and Kelly Biedron who all clocked in near the 21:40 mark.

"[Most of the times were] faster on the course this year compared to last," senior captain Meaghan Herbst said. "I know I was a minute and a half faster, and everyone felt good."

Coach Jackie Bauers noticed solid performances as well.

"There were a few nice packs, and the girls worked together very well," she said.

Herbst also observed strengths in the packs as well.

"The pack in the front is much larger this year, which is very promising," she said. "The front group last year only had about three girls, and this year there should be about five or six that are consistent."

As far as team strategy, it was crucial that the girls worked together to gain a tactical advantage running the newer, more taxing course.

Bauers commented that the site of the race was more challenging, but the times were as strong or stronger than last season. The team will return to the course for the MIAA Jamboree meet on Sept. 23.

The Belles' next contest is the Aquinas College Invitational in Grand Rapids, Mich., on Friday. Last year at the Aquinas Invitational some of the top Belles' times were Kelly Biedron with a posted a 21:18, Sara Otto with a 20:16 and Katie White with a 20:42.

Coach Bauers said she saw a lot of promise for her team, even at this early stage. However, there is always something upon which to improve.

"I think we can improve by closing some gaps within our top 7, but for as early as it is, I feel good about where we are," she said. "I'm excited to run at Aquinas this Friday."

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Hoosiers

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to record a hat trick since Devin Prescod accomplished the feat in 2003 against Cleveland State.

"Joe [Lapira] can finish in so many different ways," Clark said. "He's quick, can shoot with both feet and he can head the ball. He's always thinking. That's possibly his greatest asset."

While it wouldn't appear that way from the final scoreboard, it took nearly a half hour for the goal outburst to begin. The scoring, however, came in bunches as Notre Dame and Indiana went back and forth to score five goals in the final fifteen minutes of the first half.

Lapira opened the scoring with a hard shot from the right side of the 18-yard box into the lower left corner of the Hoosier net. Indiana responded six minutes later when Kevin Robson ripped a shot from 18 yards out past a diving Cahill.

Notre Dame regained the lead only eighteen seconds later when senior midfielder Ian Etherington chested the ball in the box, eluded his defender and slipped the ball into the back of the net.

Six minutes later, it was the Hoosiers back on top as they scored two goals only seventeen seconds apart. Indiana's Brad Ring scored on another long blast into the upper corner of the net, and Yeagle gave the Hoosiers the lead when he deposited the ball into the top of the net from only six yards out.

The teams picked up where they left off after intermission

as Lapira notched his second goal of the day only three minutes into the second half on a header from a curling Ryan Miller cross into the box. Lapira completed his hat trick in the 55th minute when he sent a powerful shot into the upper right hand corner of the net.

"There were some great goals today," Clark said. "You're never happy when you give up four goals, but if you're going to give up four goals, it's good to do it on a day when you score five."

With the win, Notre Dame improves their record to 2-1-1. They will return home to open Big East play next Friday against South Florida, but

Clark feels that the past two weekends have prepared his team well.

"[Next Friday] is going to be a big game, but we're getting used to playing big games," Clark said. "If you want to win a national title, you must play top teams, and you must beat them."

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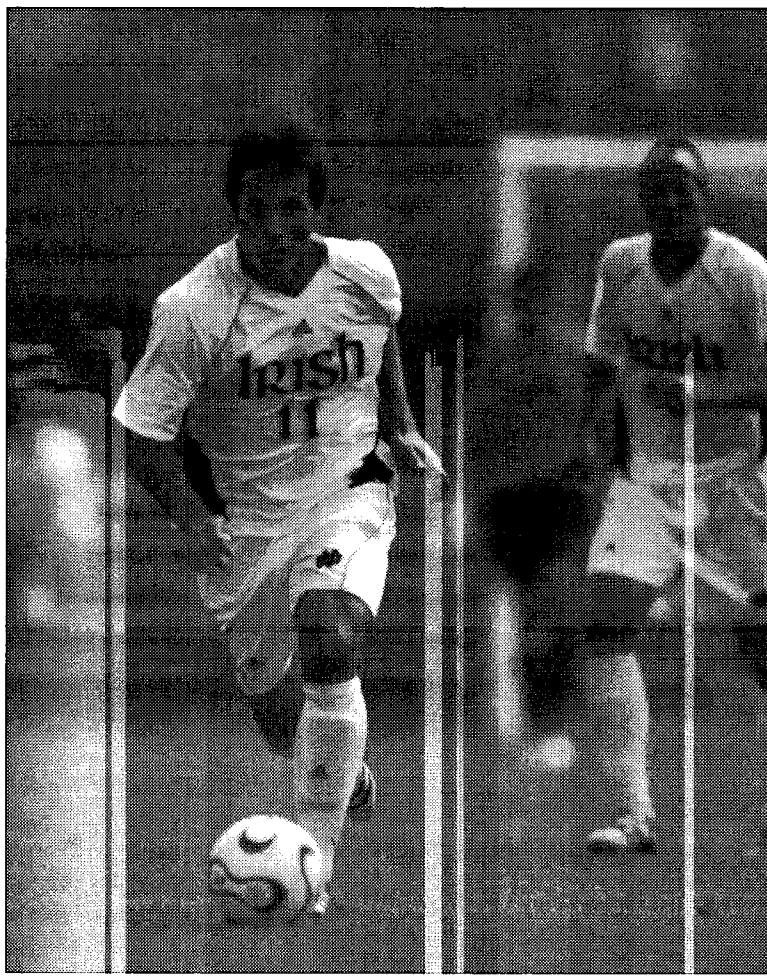
Notre Dame and Saint Louis scored a combined ten goals in the adidas/IU Credit Union Classic. None of those came on Friday night as the two teams battled to a scoreless draw in double overtime at Bill Armstrong Stadium.

"We played very well on Friday night, but I guess we were both saving our goals for Sunday," said Clark.

Although the overall statistics were even, with Notre Dame out-shooting Saint Louis 12-10 and the Billikens holding the corner kick edge 5-4, the Irish clearly dominated play after the half-time break.

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Midfielder Kurt Martin dribbles downfield in Notre Dame's 4-1 win over Creighton on August 28.

In the second half and overtime periods, Notre Dame out-shot Saint Louis 9-4 including holding the Billikens without a shot in the two overtime periods. Clark credited the turnaround to some halftime adjustments.

"We were giving them too much time and respect in the first half, so we talked about stepping up the pressure and being more proactive," he said. "That's what put us back in the game. We made them a lot more uncomfortable, and we saw a lot more of the ball as a result."

Notre Dame's best chance came in overtime when Lapira blasted a rebound off a Kurt Martin shot, but it was saved well by Saint Louis goalkeeper Nick Billman, one of four saves on the night for Billman.

Saint Louis had their share of chances as well and they almost opened the scoring in the 16th minute of the contest. A Billiken player got a header off on a corner kick, but sophomore keeper Andrew Quinn

got enough of the ball to tip it off the crossbar. Quinn, who made his first start a week ago against Creighton, had three saves on the night and has not given up a goal in his last 198 minutes on the field.

"The game ebbed and flowed, but I felt that we controlled the last hour of the competition," said Clark. "[Saint Louis] has some excellent players, though, and they're a team that could feature quite prominently come tournament time."

With both games going to overtime this past weekend, three of Notre Dame's four games this season have gone to overtime. Clark sees this as a positive for his team.

"We're getting used to these overtime games," he said. "That's okay because it gives us good game fitness, and the good thing is that we've been the team forcing the game in overtime."

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Coming off a 2-0 win over No. 19 Southern Cal (2-1) Friday night, the Irish (4-0) created opportunities early on and controlled possession, but could not find the net.

Twelve minutes in, the Broncos' all-tournament striker freshman Kiki Bosio beat defender Christie Shaner to the middle of the field, before finding junior striker Meagan Snell in the middle of the box, who slid her shot by keeper Lauren Karas for the first goal of the game.

Despite several direct kicks just outside the box before halftime by sophomore striker Kerri Hanks, the Broncos took their 1-0 lead into halftime.

"There were a couple of things we addressed at half," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. "We had to change our mentality. We gave the ball away too much."

To spark the offense, Waldrum moved Shaner to the middle to replace defender Amanda Clark. By the suggestion of his son and assis-

tant coach Ben Waldrum, Clark switched to defensive midfield to take the place of senior Jill Krivacek who moved to offensive midfield in the 4-4-3 set. Entering the game to replace Shaner's spot on the outside was freshman Haley Ford, as freshman midfielder Courtney Rosen — who is still battling the injury bug — left the game.

The moves helped strengthen a defense that Waldrum felt gave up too many scoring opportunities in the first half. Shaner's headers kept Santa Clara's air attack from reaching the goal.

The moves also led to the first Irish goal. With 26 minutes left in action, Cinalli attacked open space in the middle before dishing to a wide-open Krivacek, who two-touched from just inside the box to the upper right corner out of the reach of sophomore Santa Clara keeper Megan McCray.

Five minutes later, freshman Michele Weissenhofer lined a cross to an exposed back post for the lunging leg of Cinalli to redirect into the goal. Cinalli saved her best for last, though, scoring her second goal of the game less



PHIL HUDELSON/The Observer
Forward Jen Buczkowski outruns a USC defender in a 2-0 win Friday night.



PHIL HUDELSON/The Observer
Forward Amanda Cinalli controls the ball deep in Trojan territory in a 2-0 win for the Irish Friday night. She tallied one goal in the game, the first-ever meeting between Notre Dame and USC.

than 4 minutes later after outmaneuvering several defenders in succession and firing a left-footed rocket to the upper right corner to cap off the Irish scoring.

"In the first half they kind of dominated us in the air," Cinalli said after the game. "Our entire team decided we have to keep each other accountable, play together and play with a lot of heart. That was important for us."

Though disappointed in Notre Dame's first half play, Waldrum was pleased with his players' ability to rededicate themselves at halftime and storm back. Though Bosio — who Waldrum compared to former Irish great Amy Warner — was the offensive fireplug of the Bronco offense throughout the day, the Irish were able to contain her in the second half.

"As early as the season is, I've liked this team and compared it to the '04 team," Waldrum said. "That year we had 10 games or so where we

came from behind or won it in the last few minutes of the game. Today to be down to such a good team like that could be a big game for us down the road — to come back and win and play so well in the second half and turn things around."

The win marked the 31st consecutive Irish home win, as this weekend Notre Dame won its third and fourth straight contests against a 2005 NCAA Tournament team.

Friday against USC, the Irish controlled possession for most of the first half, but didn't find the back of the net until the fourteenth minute of the second half, when Weissenhofer lofted her patented flip throw-in into the box that Clark redirected past Trojan junior goalie Veronica Simonton for her first career goal.

Twelve minutes later, Weissenhofer got another chance at a long throw in and, after losing the ball on her first attempt, lofted another perfect pass into the

penalty area and into the goal — this time off the foot of Cinalli.

The ball spent most of the first half in the Southern Cal end of the field as Notre Dame peppered Simonton with several scoring chances, but couldn't find the back of the net.

"It was a little frustrating," Waldrum said. "I thought the work rate and the competitiveness the kids had was great, but we needed to finish on the offensive end. We lacked sharpness in the final third [of the field]."

Late in the first half, the Irish had four corner kicks in the space of under a minute, but Notre Dame couldn't score on any of them.

Notes:

◆ Team USA's Carrie Dew and Brittany Bock are expected to rejoin the team early this week after finishing up the U-20 World Championships.

◆ Karas recorded a career-high nine saves Sunday after earning the shutout Friday. She had been battling freshman Kelsey Lysander for the starting spot.

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grams this time of year, Notre Dame is one of those teams that hopes to find that golden ticket to the finals as its season unfolds.

Though the Irish players and coaching staff will continuously search all year for just the right formula, it all starts with simple addition. One win over Iowa State plus Ole Miss plus USC plus Santa Clara equals 4-0. All the wins were earned one game at a time, a concept that the Irish cannot lose among the dreams of tournament time still two months off — or else division isn't too far off.

If we're to believe the statements from players like junior forward Amanda Cinalli, so far, so good.

"We had to have this game to put ourselves into a position to have a good seed later in the year," Cinalli said after

putting away No. 1 Santa Clara 3-1 Sunday at Alumni Field with two goals and one assist. "[The early games] are just as important as ones in the end."

While Waldrum is not particularly shy about saying that the National Championship is his team's primary goal, he stresses the importance of every game as an equally important step towards that objective. It is an ambitious attitude that the team has embraced and an easy decision in light of the x variable to Waldrum's championship formula — experience.

The Irish still have several key contributors from the 2004 team that won it all in the coach's sixth season at

the Irish helm, including the senior anchors to the Irish defense captain Kim Lorenzen, Christie Shaner and midfielder Jill Krivacek.

Though Waldrum's experience and acumen should go without saying, he isn't the only experienced Irish game-planner on the sidelines. His son, Irish assistant Ben Waldrum, suggested moving defender Amanda Clark to the midfield as part of the turnstile second-half substitutions in the middle of the Irish defense.

"He suggested it and [assistant] Dawn [Greathouse] agreed and so did I," the elder Waldrum said. "That's when it's good to have good assistants."

Notre Dame also has a host of younger players that have

won national and world championships, like sophomore Carrie Dew, who — according to reports — Waldrum has received from Russia — is one of the best center backs in the U-20 World Championships, which has forced her and sophomore Brittany Bock to miss the first four games of the season.

Now that the two are back, they present a major challenge to Notre Dame's championship chemistry — how to incorporate two starters into a team thriving without disrupting the mojo that the Irish have ridden to an early No. 1 national ranking.

In their absence freshman Michele Weissenhofer has been the Irish point-leader with two goals and six

assists, playing alongside weekend tournament MVP Cinalli and sophomore Kerri Hanks, whose 71 points last year were second in the nation.

As the Irish travel to Dallas this weekend to face TCU and SMU, Waldrum must find the right equilibrium of playing time to keep all his weapons happy. A numbers game — yet another step in search of the formula for success. And with the SMU contest slated for broadcast CSTV, we'll get to watch them show their work.

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Irish forward

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that we have to do [to get to their level]. It's going to take a little while, but we're going to get there."

Santa Clara 3, Notre Dame 0

No. 6 Santa Clara swept Notre Dame Sunday behind 28 combined kills by sophomore Brittany Lowe and junior Annalisa Muratore.

The Broncos jumped out to an early 4-1 lead in game one and, after Notre Dame rallied to tie the score at six, went on an 11-2 run and coasted to the game victory.

Santa Clara got off to a similarly fast start in game two, taking a 5-2 lead. Notre Dame battled back, but never managed to tie the score and lost 30-23.

Game three saw the Broncos jump out to yet another early lead, this time 8-4. The Irish got within three at 21-18, but would never be that close again as Santa Clara took the game 30-23.

Missouri 3, Notre Dame 2

Notre Dame suffered its first loss of the season Saturday, a grueling 3-2 defeat to No. 13 Missouri.

The Irish took a back-and-forth first game 30-28, with Notre Dame freshman Christina Kaelin providing the final point with a kill after the

Tigers had pulled within one. Missouri took game two by the same score, scoring four straight points — three on attack errors by Notre Dame — after falling behind 28-26.

In game three, the two teams traded points until the Irish scored six straight points on freshman Jamel Nicholas' service to take a 13-8 lead and held off a late Tiger run to win the game 30-27.

Game four was deadlocked at 12-12 when Missouri stretched its lead to 18-13 behind senior Nicole Wilson's service. The Irish made a run, but the Tigers held on for a 30-27 game victory.

"Some of our decision making wasn't as good as it could have been, and we got ourselves in a hole," Brown said.

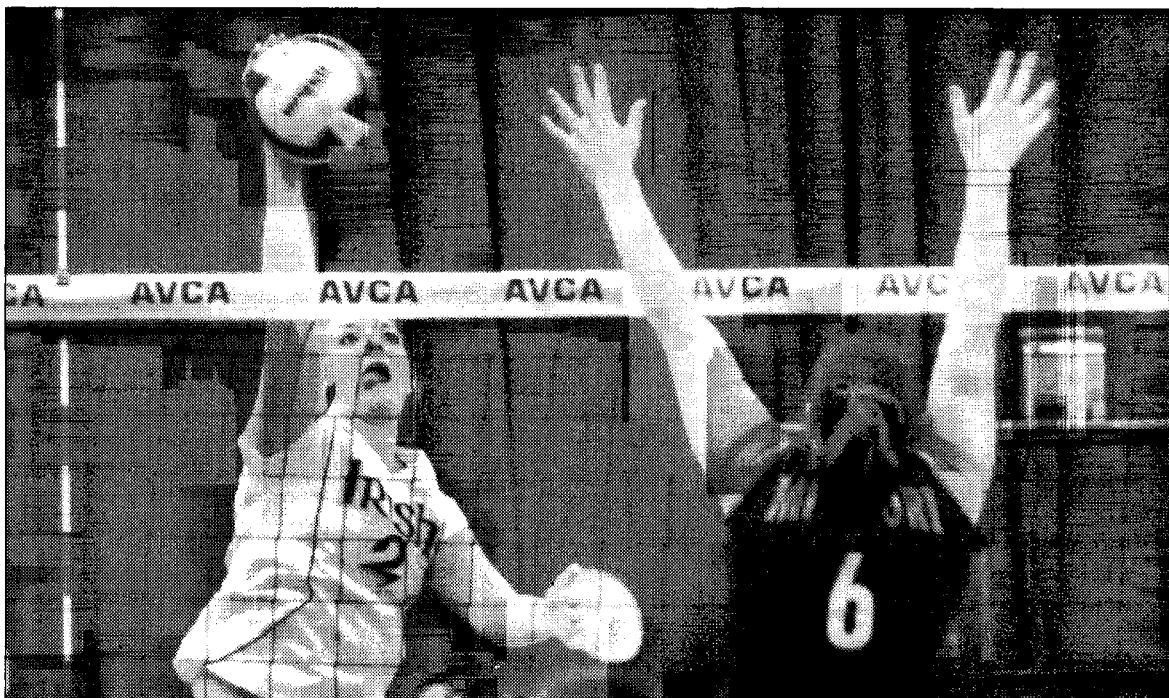
In the fifth and deciding 15-point game, Notre Dame trailed 14-13 and was serving, but Missouri senior Jessica VanderKooi recorded her 30th kill of the match to give the Tigers the victory.

Notre Dame 3, Idaho 1

The Irish won the first two games against Idaho Saturday afternoon and then recovered after blowing a lead in game three to beat the Vandals 3-1.

The Irish took game one 30-21, jumping out to a 12-4 lead and never looking back. Junior Adriana Stasiuk tallied four kills in the game.

The Vandals kept game two closer, trading points with Notre Dame before the Irish



PHIL HUDELSON/The Observer

Outside hitter Mallorie Croal goes for a point against Missouri's Jullanna Klein in a devastating 3-2 loss Saturday.

finally pulled away behind three straight points from junior Danielle Herndon's service and took the game 30-25.

Idaho recovered from an 11-6 deficit in game three, tying the game at 20 on a kill by sophomore Haley Larson and holding off the Irish for a 30-27 game victory.

Notre Dame reasserted control of the match in the fourth game, scoring seven straight points behind Herndon's service and coasting to a 30-15 win.

Notre Dame 3, Valparaiso 1

Led by 21 kills from Kaelin, Notre Dame beat Valparaiso 3-1 Friday in the first match

of the Shamrock Invitational for the Irish.

Notre Dame won the first game 30-25, jumping out to a 10-3 lead before the Crusaders stormed back to within five at 21-17. The two teams went back and forth until Irish freshman Megan Fesl recorded two straight kills to give Notre Dame the win in game one.

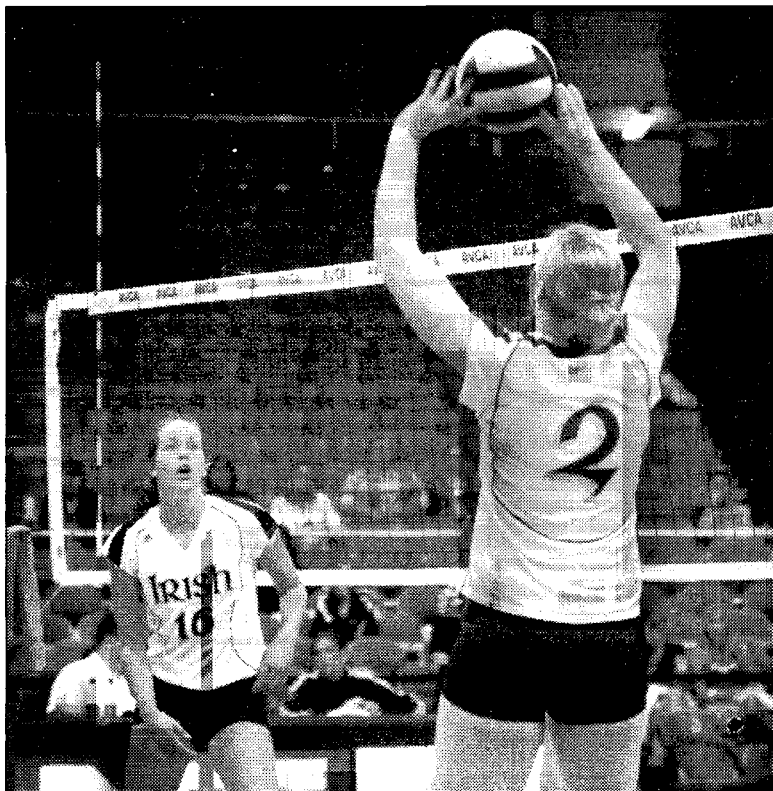
Valpo recovered from a three-point deficit to take the second game of the match, 30-27. After three straight kills by Kaelin put the Irish up 18-15, the Crusaders stormed back, taking the lead 27-26 on two straight aces by sophomore Brittany Marks and cruising

to the victory from there.

Notre Dame found itself trailing 28-23 in the third game and in serious danger of falling behind 2-1, but the Irish rallied, using three straight kills from sophomore Justine Stremick and an error by the Crusaders to cut the lead to just one. Valpo junior Sara Hughes put her team back up by two, but a kill by Kaelin and another Crusader error tied the score at 29. The Irish won the next two points to finish off the game and take a 2-1.

After surrendering the lead, the Crusaders were momentarily shell-shocked, falling behind 10-3 early in game four. They fought back to tie it at 14, only to watch the Irish run away again and take the game 30-22 and the match 3-1.

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Outside hitter Mallorie Croal, right, sets a ball for middle blocker Tara Enzweiler in a 3-2 loss to Missouri Saturday.

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Coffee and Conversation

For Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Questioning Students at Notre Dame

Tuesday, September 5
7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
316 Coleman-Morse

The Core Council for Gay and Lesbian Students invites gay, lesbian, and bisexual members of the Notre Dame family, their friends, and supporters to an informal coffee at the Co-Mo.

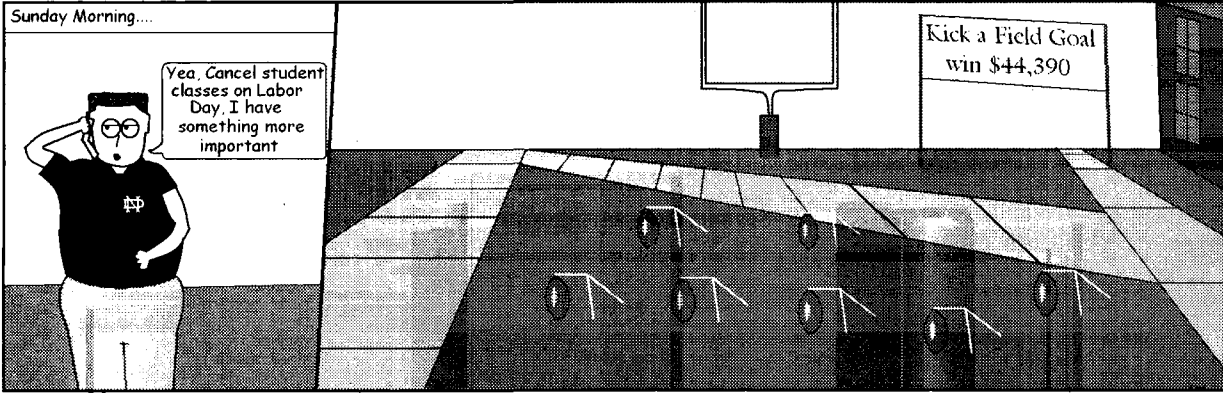
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Coffee and refreshments will be served



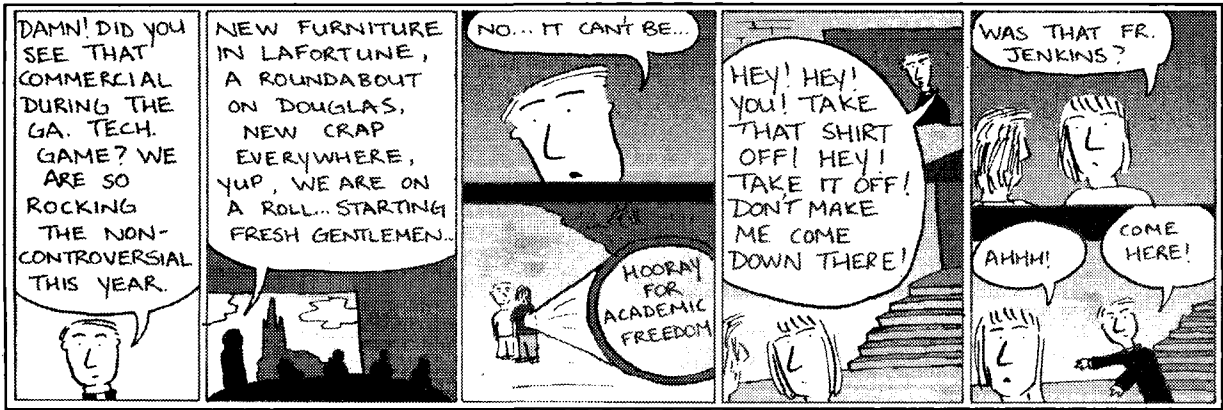
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HENRI ARNOLD
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JUMBLE

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

POKKA
HIDUM
MUTTUL
GOOSTE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



Answer here:
Saturday's Jumbles: COWER MURKY ECZEMA OXYGEN
Answer: Why he enjoyed working at the mint — TO MAKE MONEY

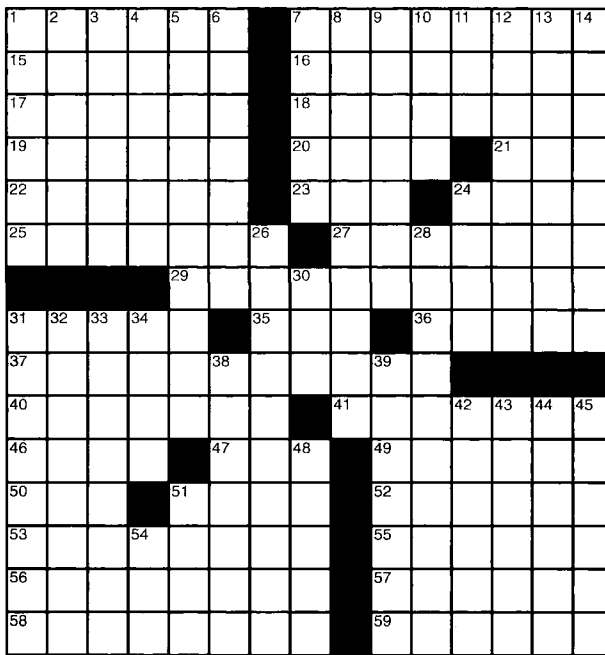
CROSSWORD

WILL SHORTZ

- ACROSS
- 1 Easily tamed birds
 - 7 Something brought to the table
 - 15 Canny
 - 16 Surprise with a call
 - 17 Manhattan addition
 - 18 Prone
 - 19 Letter's need
 - 20 Powerful arms
 - 21 Department of Commerce div.
 - 22 Busy
 - 23 Fair-haired boy
 - 24 Allied target of November 1942
 - 25 Royal Air Force station in Flintshire
 - 27 Interdigitation, e.g.
 - 29 Many an antique
- 31 Mix it up
- 35 Robert Burns's "___ Wild Mossy Mountains"
- 36 Terse putdown
- 37 Fatalistic sentiment
- 40 They keep their eyes on the ball
- 41 Gentleman's agreement?
- 46 Feeling
- 47 Site of a routine landing?
- 49 Sombreoed cowboy
- 50 Year in Justinian I's reign
- 51 "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" setting
- 52 They put on shows
- 53 Not subject to change
- 55 Wits
- 56 Biased
- 57 Lion botherer
- 58 Cinematic events
- 59 Car bars
- DOWN
- 1 Computer time-savers
 - 2 Get pasted, say
 - 3 "The Real McCoys" co-star of 1950's-60's TV
 - 4 Coming from the heart?
 - 5 Expert on bugs
 - 6 Component of synthetic rubber
 - 7 Compute, so to speak
 - 8 Purse
 - 9 Put forth
 - 10 "Alfie" actor, 2004
 - 11 Parent's hermano
 - 12 Sequentially
 - 13 Emulate a ballerina
 - 14 Compromise
 - 24 Home to Athens
 - 26 Very, very thirsty
 - 28 Like the greatest show on earth?
 - 30 Island on which Homer is reputedly buried

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

LAPUP CAMS ABAS
ELENA SMUT BALL
ASTIR POSE WERLE
DONISTART WITHME
SRA EEN SER OAT
TAMEST REDAPPLE
ONES RHEE NOSED
THREE LEVI PISA
SEAEAGLE CHANTS
HAR TOSKI DJS
IVEHADIT WITHYOU
REBA IDEA MOCHA
THIN VERB ABANG
SOTS ASIS NORSE



Puzzle by Sherry O. Blackard

- 31 Sometime siren sounder
- 32 Heap up
- 33 Counterblow
- 34 "Prometheus Unbound" character
- 38 Marine hangers-on
- 39 Gets new players for
- 42 Large dragonfly
- 43 1974 ballad subtitled "Touch the Wind"
- 44 Put in a 31-Down, perhaps
- 45 Characters in "Macbeth" and "Richard II"
- 48 Window treatments
- 51 Colorado feeder
- 54 Canadian market inits.

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EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Beyonce Knowles, 24; Jason David Frank, 32; Lone Skye, 34; Mike Piazza, 37

Happy Birthday: You've been contemplating what you want to do for some time and now you have to take action. A change is in order -- look to the future with optimism. If you don't take advantage, you may never forgive yourself. Your lucky numbers are 6, 9, 11, 28, 35, 47

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Deal with any matters that concern your pet if you have one or your own personal health and well-being. The more changes you make to ensure a better lifestyle, the better. Consider a career change. ***
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Plan a social event at your house or make plans to do something exciting with friends or family. Don't let things get too serious. It's time to relax and enjoy yourself. *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You will have a creative eye today but are likely to meet with opposition. Don't dictate what you are going to do. Plant the seed and let everyone around you think that the idea is a group effort. **

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your heart is in the right place, and offering a helping hand should work out in your favor. Don't expect your loved ones to be too happy about your spending time assisting someone else. A short outing will appease. ****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Try to incorporate something in your day that relates to work, making money and getting ahead. Someone you know outside of work will be able to shed light on how the people around you perceive you. A disciplined approach will ensure success. ***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A hectic pace may not be your thing, but today you will thrive on the excitement it provides. Being a little unpredictable will keep others guessing. Love may be on your mind, but don't let it consume you. ***
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may want to take on a new project at home. The chance to do some of the work yourself will not only save you money, but it will bring you great satisfaction. Lady Luck is in your corner. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): By doing for others, you will raise your profile and ensure that nothing will stand in the way of following your dreams. Organize an event -- you will win favors from people who will help you out in the future. ****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may be charming and someone you've won over the excitement they provide. Being a little unpredictable will keep others guessing. Love may be on your mind, but don't let it consume you. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't stop doing what you really want to do because someone is making you feel guilty or putting too many demands on you. This can be an ideal day with fabulous results. The contacts you make by following your own path will be to your benefit. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): It may be the weekend, but if something needs to be looked after, do the groundwork so you are fully prepared to resolve these issues as soon as possible. Added responsibilities will be necessary if you want to get things done. ***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your interests are changing, and you will discover that the people you have been spending time with and the people you want to spend time with are very different. Don't burn bridges or give up what you have. Instead, try to give equal time to both. ***

Birthday Baby: You are practical when it comes to your personal life. You can charm anyone into accommodating you. You are artistic, sensitive and open-minded.
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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Clean sweep

No. 1 Irish dominate powerhouse Santa Clara, shut out USC

By TIM DOUGHERTY and
CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Writers

After sparking a second-half firestorm in Sunday's 3-1 win over Santa Clara (3-1) at Alumni Field, Notre Dame junior striker Amanda Cinalli may have helped her team keep a more important light display — the one on top of Grace Hall.

Both teams entered the match with a No. 1 ranking this week by different polls, but the Inn at Saint Mary's Classic offensive MVP Cinalli and her two-goal, one-assist second-half show solidified Notre Dame's claim to the top spot.



Forward Kerri Hanks chases down a ball between Santa Clara defenders in Notre Dame's 3-1 win Sunday. Notre Dame and Santa Clara were both ranked No. 1 in separate polls before the game.

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National champions make up an elite club

The magical formula to a national championship is as complicated as it is elusive.

So much so that only six different schools have won the NCAA Women's College Cup in its 25-year history, as North Carolina's patent protection of the secret blueprint has hoarded a mind-boggling 18 of those titles when it defeated Big East Irish rival Connecticut in the 2003 Cup championship.

Like a handful of other pro-



Tim Dougherty
Sports Writer

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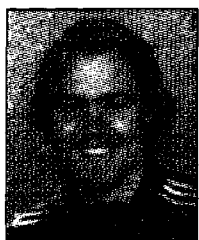
MEN'S SOCCER

Irish tie St. Louis, top Indiana in OT

Tournament has one tie, one 5-4 thriller

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

Led by junior forward Joseph Lapira and his four goals, No. 18 Notre Dame's offense erupted in a thrilling 5-4 win in overtime against archrival No. 8 Indiana before a raucous crowd of 5,613 Sunday afternoon at Bill Armstrong Stadium.



Lapira

It looked like overtime wouldn't be needed for the Irish, who held a 4-3 advantage late in the game. The referee, however, awarded the Hoosiers a penalty kick with only 11.7 seconds remaining when Indiana's Darren Yeagle was tripped up by Notre Dame keeper Chris Cahill. Indiana's John Michael Hayden convert-

ed the spot kick to send the game to overtime.

It was only fitting that Lapira, who had already secured a hat trick for the day, would put the finishing touch on the game. Eight minutes into the first overtime, Lapira dribbled around a Hoosier defender and chipped the ball over Indiana goalkeeper Chris Munroe into the right corner of the net to give the Irish their second consecutive victory over the Hoosiers.

"We handled the second half very well, and we were a little unfortunate to give the penalty kick up," Notre Dame coach Bobby Clark said. "I thought we showed a lot of character to bounce back from their late goal."

With his offensive outburst Sunday afternoon, Lapira was named the offensive MVP of the adidas/IU Credit Union Classic. His four goals were one short of the Notre Dame all-time record of five, set by Kevin Lovejoy in 1993. Lapira was also the first Irish player

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Team gets 2 wins in tournament

No. 21 Notre Dame also falls twice to ranked opponents

By CHRIS KHOREY
Associate Sports Editor

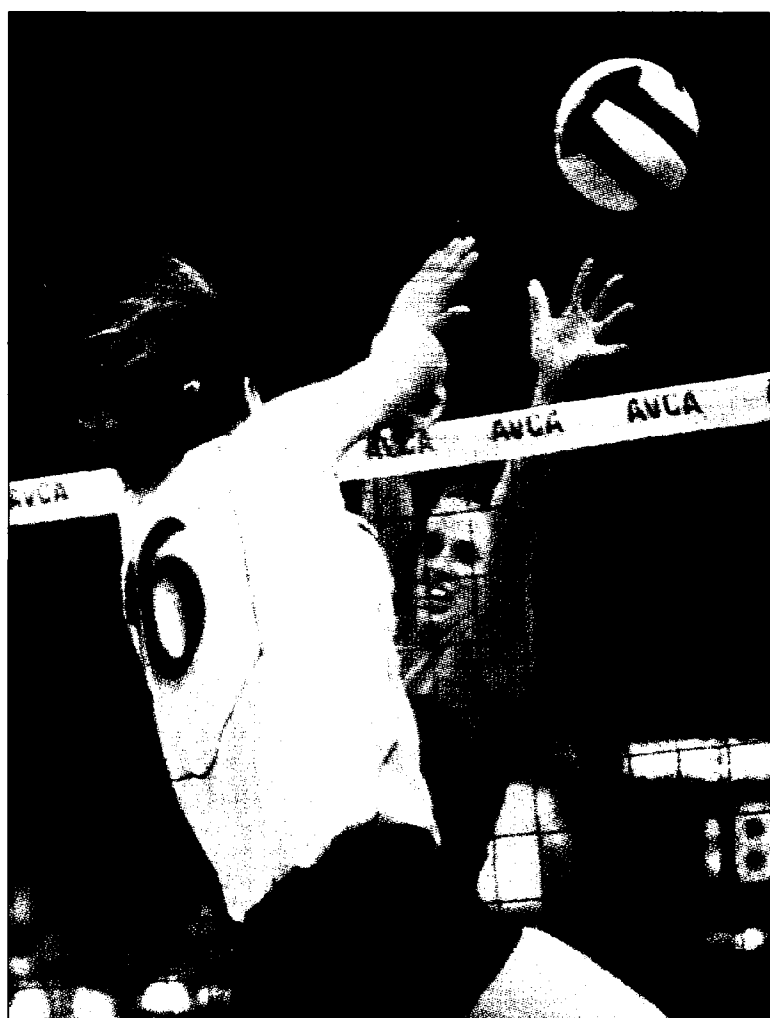
Notre Dame coach Debbie Brown knows her young team has a lot to learn.

That became even more apparent this weekend as the No. 21 Irish went 2-2 at the Shamrock Invitational Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Joyce Center.

"We learned so much this weekend, and it's going to make us a better team," Brown said of her squad, almost half of which is freshmen.

Notre Dame (4-2) beat unranked opponents Valparaiso and Idaho, but was swept by No. 6 Santa Clara and lost a heart-breaking 5-game match to No. 13 Missouri.

"It's very important to play good competition like we have this weekend," Brown said. "There's a lot



PHIL HUDELSON/The Observer

Middle blocker and freshman Tara Enzweiler goes up against a Missouri opponent during Notre Dame's 3-2 loss Saturday.

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

SMC CROSS COUNTRY

The Belles perform well in their preseason debut at the Alumnae Exhibition Saturday.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

**Penn State 34
Akron 16**

In his first regular season start at quarterback for the Nittany Lions, Anthony Morelli leads PSU to a win in week 1.

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PGA

Vijay Singh sets the course record at the TPC of Boston Sunday with a 10-under 61 in the Deutsche Bank Championship.

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TENNIS

**Becker def.
Agassi**

In Andre Agassi's last ever professional match, newcomer Benjamin Becker wins 7-5, 6-7, 6-4, 7-5.

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MLB — NL

**Philadelphia 8
Atlanta 7**

Ryan Howard's three home runs (52) push the Phillies past the Braves Sunday.

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MLB — NL

**Astros 2
Mets 1**

Astros pitcher Roy Oswalt takes a perfect game to the seventh inning to help the Astros beat the Mets.

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