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NDFCU members hit by e-mail scam

Unknown fraudster prompts customers to give out sensitive banking information online

By MARCELA BERRIOS
Associate News Editor

Students with Notre Dame Federal Credit Union (NDFCU) bank accounts may have been victims of what appears to be a complex, multi-part Internet scam.

On Friday, NDFCU's Web site posted a message that warned members against clicking on certain links in e-mails ostensibly from the credit union that actually originated elsewhere.

"If you have received an e-

mail message that appears to have originated from Notre Dame Federal Credit Union telling you that 'your access has been limited' or asking you to participate in a survey, please do not click on any links that ask for your personal information," the warning said.

That warning, it appears, could have played into the hands of the hacker's scheme.

By late Friday, some members received fraudulent e-mails — from an address that appears to users as

alert@ndfcu.org — telling them that a computer with a foreign IP address had unsuccessfully attempted to access their online account.

The second wave of e-mails told members to "sign in to our secure server at onlinebanking.ndfcu.org and review your account(s) for any irregular activity. If you do not recognize any transactions, please contact us immediately at 800-835-5373."

Some members, perhaps concerned after seeing the warning posted on ndfcu.org,

may have given more credence to the fraudulent e-mail that appeared to come from the NDFCU.

The phone number listed on the second set of e-mails is the correct national number for NDFCU, but the hyperlink redirects users to a non-NDFCU Web site designed to look exactly like the real NDFCU homepage — except that, as of press time, it lacked the warning message carried on the actual site.

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EG college changes leadership

New dean Kilpatrick to arrive in early 2008

By MARCELA BERRIOS
Associate News Editor

The College of Engineering is awaiting the arrival of its new dean and its new building, but while it may be in a period of transition, Interim Dean James Merz called the college's future "brighter than ever before."

University President Father John Jenkins announced in August the appointment of Peter Kilpatrick, the chair of chemical and biomolecular engineering at North Carolina State University, as the new dean of the College of Engineering.

Kilpatrick will replace former dean Frank Incropera and Merz in January.

"Peter Kilpatrick is an accomplished teacher and researcher who is a long-standing chair of one of the top chemical engineering departments in the country," University Provost Thomas Burish said in a news release.

He was expected at Notre Dame in September, but previous commitments pushed Kilpatrick's



Kilpatrick

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Sbarro employee publishes memoirs

'A Boy Amidst The Rubble' offers Porter-Young's childhood perspective of London Blitz

By JENN METZ
News Writer

Growing up in World War II-era London, George W. Porter-Young faced innumerable sufferings and sacrifices. The LaFortune Sbarro employee has worked for 13 years to record his memories in the semi-autobiographical novel "A Boy Amidst the Rubble," which was published in March.

Porter-Young, now 73, struggled to get his novel on the shelves in the bookstore of the university he had served for seven years. As a self-published book, the novel was not originally accepted for sale at the Hammes Bookstore,

Porter-Young said, a response he found alienating.

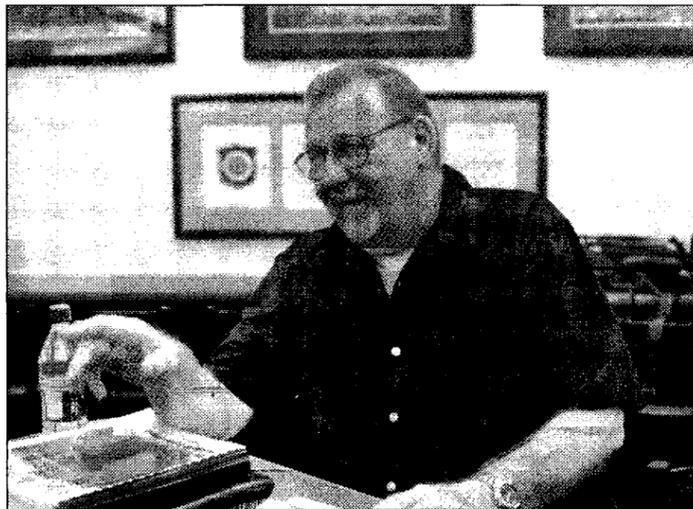
"I felt a bit like well, my name's not Charlie Weis or Rudy or Knute Rockne, but I still should be recognized [at the University]," Porter-Young said.

So he wrote a letter to the book's printer, Xlibris Corp., a subsidiary of Random House.

"I knew something needed to be done to help authors get their books out to the public," he said.

The outcome of his letter was a return-ability program that would allow bookstores, like Hammes, to carry self-published books. Without this program, books could not be

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Sbarro employee George Porter-Young talks about his self-published memoirs Sunday in LaFortune Student Center.

DUSTIN MENNELLA/The Observer

SMC celebrates opening year Mass

Professors, students, administrators gather for service, prayer

By LIZ HARTER
News Writer

Saint Mary's students, faculty and staff gathered at the Church of Our Lady of Loretto Sunday to celebrate Mass and ring in the new academic year.

Father John Pearson, CSC, presided over the Mass at which President Carol Ann Mooney spoke, and both the Loretto and Saint's Mary's College choirs provided music.

Father Pearson spoke of Father Basil Anthony Moreau's life and the creation of the Holy Cross religious order that he founded in 1840 during his homily.

"This is the year of Father Moreau," Pearson said, in relation

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Members of the Saint Mary's community congregate at the Church of Our Lady of Loretto for the annual opening Mass Sunday.

KATE FENLON/The Observer

SNL comedian muses on college, pop culture

By SARAH SKILLEN
News Writer

South Quad served Friday night as a comedic stage for Seth Meyers, a skit actor and contributing writer for the television show Saturday Night Live (SNL). The Student Activities Office (SAO) brought the television personality to campus after the Student Union Board got some of Meyer's fellow SNL castmates to speak in a popular lecture series last semester.

"I thought he was hysterical," sophomore Margaret Burke said. "His randomness was great and how he got involved with the crowd. ... I just love comedy, so it was great."

Touching on everything from a Frenchman's lovemaking skills on

a futon to the origins of the Fighting Irish's name, Meyers tied his humor to college-related topics.

The comedian interacted with audience members by drawing from his own college experience at Northwestern University to reflect on the lives of students — but he emphasized his added insight into the Midwestern college experience.

"I do a lot of colleges, but it was a lot of fun to come back to a school that I have a connection to," he said. "I am super psyched about the football game tomorrow."

In his discussion of Notre Dame in particular, Meyers noted Touchdown Jesus and the fear

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INSIDE COLUMN

Notre Dame and the Rover of Doom

The other day, I had the misfortune of reading the Aug. 30 edition of The Irish Rover. While perusing the Cheers and Jeers section of that seldom-read paper, I came across a blurb entitled "One Dining Hall Does not a Hogwarts Make" — jeering The Observer for a spread about the Harry Potter series.

Tae Andrews
Scene Editor

The first thought to enter my mind was which of the three Unforgivable Curses I would use in retaliation. Fortunately for the staff of that alleged newspaper, I am not a Dark Wizard, nor do I believe in the use of Dark Magic, so your continued health is guaranteed — so long as you stay on campus. (Once you step across that campus boundary, all bets are off these days.)

However, I now believe you may be under some sort of spell: perhaps an Imperius Curse, which would explain your obnoxious behavior as your being placed under the control of a Dark Wizard, or maybe just a commonplace Stupefy or Confundus Charm.

Regardless of how confused or confounded you may have been at press time, Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry is not, as you claim, "an antiquated, upper class English boarding school for magic." Hogwarts enjoys continued relevancy in the hearts and minds of its readers, and as far as being upper class, any Harry Potter fan would know Ron Weasley comes from a working-class family. (His father works for the Ministry of Magic, and we all know how government jobs pay.)

After reading your embittered and nonsensical diatribe, it is clear that if Notre Dame were Hogwarts, you and your ilk at The Irish Rover would undoubtedly be Dementors — a bunch of marauding, hateful creatures who, cloaked in darkness, are determined to suck all the fun out of this place.

You wrote, "This isn't 7th grade and even if it were, anyone who cares about Harry Potter has already read the books and watched the movies twice."

Perhaps you never had a childhood. Perhaps you are the sort of people who believe Harry Potter advocates witchcraft. Perhaps you spend your free time trying to have copies of "The Da Vinci Code" banned from libraries and go around smudging lightning-bolt shaped scars drawn in face paint on the foreheads of children. Perhaps you crashed the midnight release Harry Potter parties at Borders, flipped to the back pages and screamed out the ending, just to spoil things. Perhaps you spend your free time kicking puppies. Whatever it is that you do, please leave my section out of your inane and awkward rants.

I had originally hoped to write about how difficult it was to procure a copy of your obscure and largely irrelevant paper, but in reality it was quite easy. Unread stacks of the Rover litter this campus like Vin Diesel DVDs in a movie store.

Which, of course, is not to say that your paper doesn't have its uses: It's a great fire-starter and a very handy substitute should you ever run out of toilet paper. If I had to rate your second-rate excuse for my section, I'd give the Rover the Golden Sombrero, a perfect zero out of a possible four clovers in our rating system. My only lasting hope is that all three of your readers have not formed a tainted opinion of the Scene section of this university's daily newspaper.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Tae Andrews at tandrew1@nd.edu

CORRECTIONS

The Observer regards itself as a professional publication and strives for the highest standards of journalism at all times. We do, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If we have made a mistake, please contact us at 631-4541 so we can correct our error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT FOOD WILL YOU BE LOOKING FOR IN THE DINING HALL THIS YEAR?



Jocelyn Claycomb
freshman
McGlinn

"I think we need some sirloin steak."



Justin Browne
freshman
Dillon

"I really like the tacos."



Kevin Stein
sophomore
Dillon

"Uh ... I like the buffalo wings."



Laura McCarty
freshman
McGlinn

"Snickerdoodle cookies. That's all I require."



Michael Troy
freshman
Alumni

"How about haggis? We need some haggis."



Rosabelle Conover
freshman
Pangborn

"I really wish they had fruit salad and berries."



CHRISTIAN SAGARDIA/The Observer

Two fans dressed as Charlie Weis, left, and Lou Holtz cheer with the crowd in the Joyce Center during Friday's pep rally for the Georgia Tech game.

IN BRIEF

The Summer Shakespeare company will perform "Love's Labour Lost" tonight at 8:30 p.m. in the Debartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$20-35 for faculty/staff/seniors and \$12-15 for students. Performances will run through Sept. 2.

The rosary will be said tonight at 6:45 p.m. at the Grotto. This event is open to the public.

There will be free fitness classes offered at Rolfs SportsRec Center this week starting at 7:30 a.m. tomorrow. Schedules can be found online. Space is limited.

The Snite Museum will show "Between Figurative and Abstract," paintings by Gao Xingjan Tuesday at 10 a.m. Admission is free.

The Notre Dame volleyball team will play the College of Charleston in the Shamrock Invitational on Friday at 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center.

The Snite Museum will show "The Camera and Rainbow: Color in Photography on Wednesday. Admission is free.

Notre Dame men's soccer will play Rhode Island Friday night at 7:30 p.m. at Alumni Field.

The Public Policy Lecture Series will hold "Latino Immigrants in America: Our Past and our Future on Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in 220 McKenna Hall. President and general council of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, John Trasvina will speak.

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

OFFBEAT

Maine sand castle builders seek record

CASCO, Maine — The creator of a sand castle built nearly 32 feet high to raise funds for terminally ill children and their families hopes the structure will be named the world's tallest.

Organizers said Saturday the elaborate sand castle measured a height of 31 feet, 7 inches. Plans called for verification paperwork to be sent to the Guinness Book of Records, which will determine whether the castle makes the record book.

Ed Jarrett, who created

a 29 1/4-foot sand castle in Falmouth in 2003 that was declared the world's tallest, organized the "Castle to the Sun" event to raise funds for Camp Sunshine.

More than 1,000 people volunteered over the past two months to help build the castle, which used 40 dump truck loads of sand, organizers said.

Wisp of a woman is a whiz at wing eating

BUFFALO, N.Y. — When it comes to wolfing wings, Sonya Thomas is a wiz.

The 105-pound competitive eater who goes by

"The Black Widow" bested a dozen beefy rivals Saturday night, scarfing 173 wings in 12 minutes to win the wing-eating contest at the National Buffalo Wing Festival.

"That's 5.17 pounds of wings," said Brian Kahle, spokesman for the annual Labor Day weekend event in the city where Buffalo wings were born.

Thomas, 40, of Alexandria, Va., also held the festival's previous record of 161 wings in 12 minutes, set in 2004.

Information from the Associated Press.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 85 LOW 67	HIGH 75 LOW 57	HIGH 88 LOW 65	HIGH 85 LOW 68	HIGH 87 LOW 64	HIGH 84 LOW 62

Atlanta 74 / 62 Boston 70 / 49 Chicago 64 / 48 Denver 65 / 42 Houston 83 / 67 Los Angeles 78 / 72 Minneapolis 80 / 62 New York 70 / 49 Philadelphia 75 / 48 Phoenix 56 / 40 Seattle 61 / 48 St. Louis 71 / 58 Tampa 88 / 68 Washington 75 / 49

ND co-founds consortium

University partners with laboratories, colleges to study nano-engineering

Special to The Observer

The University of Notre Dame is one of only a dozen universities selected by Sandia National Laboratories as founding academic members of a unique research consortium.

The newly established National Institute for Nano-Engineering (NINE) will function as a national hub for technological innovation and engineering education.

"It is an honor to be included in this new partnering model presented by NINE, but we believe it is also a natural evolution of our program," said Peter M. Kogge, Ted H. McCourtney Professor of Computer Science and Engineering and associate dean for research in the College of Engineering. "Notre Dame has been a leader in nanotechnology for quite some time, with first-of-a-kind work in nano devices, architectures that leverage such devices, and in developing course work to educate the next generation of students."

The other founding NINE members from academia include Harvard University, Harvey Mudd College, the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Rice University, the University of California at Davis, the University of Florida, the University of

Illinois, the University of New Mexico, the University of Texas, the University of Wisconsin and Yale University. Initial industry members include Corning, ExxonMobil Corp., Goodyear Tire and Rubber, IBM, Intel Corp. and Lockheed Martin Corp.

"The goal of NINE is to broaden a student's education through a unique team research experience," said Duane Dimos, Sandia director of materials and lead for the consortium. "We want to be part of developing the next generation of innovations and innovators."

Pilot projects, which began this summer, focused multidisciplinary efforts in key aspects of nano-engineering — including business, legal, political and social issues — and encompassed students from first-year engineers to graduating seniors. As the program grows, partners anticipate outreach to high school teachers as well as pre-college students.

James L. Merz, Frank M.

Freimann Professor of Electrical Engineering and interim dean of the College of Engineering, believes it is exciting and appropriate that Notre Dame be among the initial university members.

"Several College of Engineering faculty have been active in the development of this consortium," he said. "Nano-engineering, a signature program here at the University, can both benefit from and make significant contributions to the activities of NINE."

Also anticipating new research opportunities for Notre Dame undergraduates is Wolfgang Porod, director of the University's Center for Nano Science and Technology and the Frank M. Freimann Professor of Electrical Engineering.

"Our students will be able to use state-of-the-art facilities and instrumentation — at Notre Dame and in national laboratories — where they will be working on problems of national interest. This is essential for the nation's future in engineering and science," he said.

"The goal of NINE is to broaden a student's education through a unique team research experience."

Duane Dimos
director of materials
Sandia Laboratories

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The fake site, possibly as part of the scheme, prompted concerned members to re-enter sensitive information into the system, including their account number and password and their ATM card number, expiration date, security code and password.

NDFCU officials did not return Observer phone calls Sunday, and the institution had not updated its warning to include an update about the second wave of the scam.

University spokesman Don Wycliff had not heard of the scam and did not know how many students were affected.

The impersonalized e-mail with the fraudulent link rerouted members to a Web site where they initially entered their member numbers and passwords. The site then asked them to enter all the information related to their ATM cards.

Gordon Wishon, the University's chief information officer, said the criminal practice — known as phishing — is a common practice used to target national and local financial institutions.

"Scammers set up Web sites that look legitimate and they send out e-mails that look like their originated from the bank," Wishon said. "Most of the time, they are shotgunning, e-mailing thousands of addresses in hopes a few of them will actually have an account with the bank they're masquerading as."

The scam also appears to be using the University's online directory to get the e-mail addresses of students. Of those fraudulent e-mails viewed by The Observer, all were sent to the member's preferred e-mail address, as listed on nd.edu/directories, even when that person's registered e-mail address with NDFCU was different.

Wishon said he did not know where the fraud's perpetrators obtained the nd.edu e-mail addresses but that mass e-mail lists can be bought illicitly or stolen if the scammer "successfully penetrates a machine and harvests its entire address book."

He said that machine could have been a NDFCU computer or, just as easily, any computer with an ample Notre Dame e-mail contact list.

"Most likely, NDFCU had nothing to do with the incident and this spammer just shotgunned as many Notre Dame addresses as it could find," Wishon said.

Wishon said the University's Webmail security filters cannot catch every unsafe e-mail that may come in, but he gave students tips to identify potential Internet scams.

"We always recommend students not to click on links on e-mails," he said. "Very few financial institutions will actually communicate a personal information request via e-mail."

Ken Fowler contributed to this story.

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arrival back to January, prompting Burish to ask Merz to continue to serve as interim dean for another semester.

Merz, the former vice president for graduate studies and research, took office on August 1, 2006, after Incropera announced he would step down after eight years in the position to focus on his research and the classroom.

"I had been in academic administration for almost 20 years ... and I was forced to deemphasize scholarly and

teaching activities," Incropera said. "I decided it was time to focus on a smaller subset of activities."

He said he will focus on long-standing interests such as energy conversion and utilization.

In his time as dean, Merz has worked closely with the engineering faculty to finalize the architectural design of the college's new multidisciplinary home, Stinson-Remick Hall. Construction on the new building will begin in early 2008, Merz said.

He will also continue to oversee the recruitment of new faculty members to fill a number of open positions and endowed

chairs.

Among the other changes the college underwent last year was the retirement of Associate Dean John Uhran, who joined the engineering faculty in 1966.

Many of his responsibilities passed to Cathy Pieronek, the director of academic affairs and the women's engineering program. One year after Uhran's departure, Merz commended Pieronek's performance and said the college does not need to find a replacement in light of her accomplishments in her new position.

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to Moreau's upcoming beatification ceremony in September. "We're going to be talking about him a lot."

Only four years after founding the religious order of the Holy Cross and three years after the Sisters of the Holy Cross were founded, Moreau sent a group of order members to Indiana. In 1855, the Sisters he had sent moved their institution to its current location.

"This is a place where the Word of God is preached, and heard, and lived," Pearson said.

College president Carol Ann Mooney also spoke of Moreau and the Holy Cross education, which he helped to

create.

"The Holy Cross Education has remained true to the philosophy of its founder," Mooney said. "It focuses on embracing all of human knowledge and attends to the spiritual foundation [of its members]."

Mooney said that as members of the Holy Cross family of brothers, sisters, faculty, staff and students, we must all strive to "prepare the world for better times than ours", which is one of the main goals of Father Moreau.

Moreau will be beatified in Le Mans, France from Sept. 12-16.

Beatification is the second step in the Catholic Church's road to sainthood.

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returned to the publisher. Porter-Young is now under contract with the return-ability program for two years.

On Friday, Porter-Young held a two-hour book signing. He was surprised by the number of students who turned up to meet him and purchase the book.

"I get along well with students," he said. "Some had bought the book for their fathers."

The book itself is a "sad commentary," according to Porter-Young.

"Sixty-five million people died in World War II," he said, "and most kids today are absolutely ignorant about the war and what people sacrificed."

Porter-Young, who has lived in America since 1966, traveled to England to do research for the novel. An important stop was the Imperial War Museum in London, where the head of the picture gallery authorized the inclusion of historical photographs in the book.

The main character in "A Boy Amidst the Rubble," Barry, is a young boy living in London during the German blitzkrieg, a lightning-like bomb attack used for great effect by Hitler and the Nazis. His memories of the night air raids and a nation's experiences of grave deprivation are relived in the novel's pages.

"We tend to forget, or we

don't want to remember bad things about the past," Porter-Young said. "We don't want them to haunt us."

Iowa State professor Frankie Santos Laanan was instrumental in getting the story published, Porter-Young said.

"He told me, 'You've done all this writing, what's the point if it's just going to sit and collect cobwebs?'" Porter-Young said. "He made the point that a lot of war books are out there, but there aren't many with an 8- to 10-year-old reflecting upon the war years and sacrifice."

Porter-Young grew up in Upper Norwood, a suburb at the border of London and Surrey. Sitting in LaFortune, he recalled tales of bombers coming across the countryside from France, carrying deadly weapons that hit or destroyed three out of four houses in London and the surrounding suburbs.

"We were at war," he said. "The older people knew what that meant. We had no idea what was going on. It was very scary when the first bombers came over."

The novel opens with "Requiem," a poetic tribute to Londoners who died in the Blitz between 1939 and 1945. According to Porter-Young, it contains imagery reflective of that time, like "rampant fires"

that describe the night air raids, one of which started the second burning of London in 1940.

Porter-Young's father was a London fireman, so he did not see him "for a long time." Children during the war years were transported away from the city and into the country, including Porter-Young's sister. He, too, was sent away from his family.

"I stood in Victoria Station," he said, "with my little gas mask and a slice of bread with jam, and I said to myself, 'I'm

not going.' I hopped off to the train and onto the other side of the platform. When my father left, he said, 'You're the man of the house now — take after your mother and grandmother.' How was I supposed to do that from the country?"

Staying in the city meant staying in the heart of the devastating Blitz. During one of the raids, the explosion of a bomb blew Porter-Young backwards into a hedge, taking his hair, eyelashes and clothes from his body. For his injuries he was hospitalized for "a little bit," and he still retains a scar on his right leg from a piece of shrapnel.

"Anyone [in this situation] really can write this book," he said. "A child in Afghanistan or Baghdad ... they're going through the same thing I did, but with more sophisticated weapons."

A main aspect of the novel is the food deprivation and rationing experienced during the war years.

"How do you survive when your country is being blockaded? ... Some of the meats and food rationed to us would have never been considered food years later," he said.

Another facet is the heroism of the wartime women, who took on men's jobs. Porter-Young cites his mother and grandmother as two very strong women who made

great sacrifices during the war.

"It's sad when you think about it," he said. "War doesn't solve anything. We fought over one man, and did we learn our lesson? We're fighting today, again over one man. Now he's gone and we're still fighting."

"A Boy Amidst the Rubble" has sold roughly 400 copies so far, Porter-Young said. The statistics, however, are two months behind. Self-promoting the book is "very hard," he said.

Along with the Hammes book signing, Porter-Young has appeared on 106.5 FM. He wants to travel to his alma maters, Black Hawk College in Illinois and St. Ambrose College in Iowa, to run lecture series about his stories of the war. He soon hopes to have an audio book made, and has started working on book two of his recollections.

"The things you remember are absolutely amazing," he said.

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George Porter-Young author

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outside teams must have coming into the University, as Jesus wants the Irish to win, he said.

He also said that during his years at Northwestern, he enjoyed games against Notre Dame because this university was always polite — and because Jesus was watching.

Meyers' performance was also laced with references to pop culture, including Ashlee Simpson and her infamous SNL jig and the Michael Vick dog-fighting scandal. He also took time out to discuss the insect population at Notre Dame.

"The bugs were free comedy," Meyers said.

The outdoor comedy show provided a new experience for many of the freshman students, who got their first taste of the type of events planned by the SAO.

But the night was, in many ways, a new experience for the performer himself.

"I rarely perform outside," Meyers said. "It's a little harder to

tell how it's going, but it was a beautiful night, so it was great."

Meyers stars on SNL's various skits and is one of two anchors on the recurring "Weekend Update" bit. He said he draws from his daily life for material for the show.

"The longer you are in comedy, the more you realize it's all about noticing what's going on around you and drawing from that," he said. "The more you try to write jokes, the harder it gets."

As part of his unintended routine, Meyers scanned and evaluated his audience, determining that freshmen and sophomores were O.K., juniors were cocky and seniors were "reformed juniors." He also expressed his sympathy for graduate students, saying they are the students who, after four years of college, are still afraid to go out into the real world.

"I think he was really awesome," freshman Claire Brown said. "I don't watch SNL all that much, and I was really impressed by how funny he was. I might just start watching now."

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

British troops withdraw from Basra

LONDON — British soldiers began withdrawing Sunday from their last base in the southern Iraqi city of Basra, paving the way for fresh troop cuts and fueling worries about the security of the country's second-largest city and the surrounding region.

U.S. and Iraqi authorities have expressed concern that a broader British drawdown could jeopardize the region's rich oil resources and the land supply line from Kuwait to Baghdad and beyond. Some analysts also fear that British withdrawal could exacerbate a violent power struggle between rival Shiite groups in the sect's southern heartland.

Around 550 soldiers were leaving the downtown Basra Palace, one of deposed President Saddam Hussein's former compounds, to join 5,000 other personnel at an air base 7 miles away on the fringes of the city. Defense officials said the withdrawal was going well but could take days to complete.

Athletes may face cardiac problems

VIENNA, Austria — Cardiac problems like an abnormal heartbeat are exacerbated by rigorous exercise in a way that can be fatal in athletes, and regular testing for the problem could save lives, doctors at a heart conference said Sunday.

Italy is the only country that mandates heart screening of all its professional athletes, Dr. Domenico Corrado of the University of Padua said at the European Society for Cardiology meeting in Vienna.

Since 1981, Italian authorities have run heart checks on all competing athletes. The incidence of sudden, fatal heart attacks has dropped from four cases per 100,000 to 0.4 cases per 100,000.

NATIONAL NEWS

Food recalls prompt safety questions

WASHINGTON — Try searching for a culprit in the 90 brands caught up in the recent recall of canned chili, stew and other products, and you weave back to a single manufacturer.

That also was the case in recalls of spinach, pet food and frozen meat.

Companies increasingly are paying others to make the foods we eat — or the ingredients in them — and then selling it under multiple brand names. And that has prompted a growing debate about food safety.

"If people cannot trace a product back to a supplier, the supplier has no incentives to keep their processes as clean and effective, in terms of food safety, as possible," said Caroline Smith DeWaal, director of food safety for the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a consumer group.

Picture boards help in emergencies

TRENTON, N.J. — With more ill and injured people unable to speak English, hospitals, clinics and rescue squads are turning to picture boards to bridge the communication gap with easily understood images.

The large, double-sided panels let patients point to icons showing their problem — such as pain, a burn, breathing trouble or a fall — as well as the part of the body that is affected. They also can point to their native language in a list so an appropriate interpreter can be located.

LOCAL NEWS

More Hoosiers have health insurance

INDIANAPOLIS — The number of Indiana residents without health insurance fell by about 84,000 last year, according to new Census Bureau figures that have left state officials puzzled.

The decline was welcome news, but it's hard to explain, said Mitch Roob, secretary of the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, who called the numbers "surprisingly high."

ITALY

Pope urges youth to care for Earth

Benedict, Italian bishops' conference promotes strong environmental message

Associated Press

LORETO — The planet risks irreversible decline from environmentally unsustainable development, Pope Benedict XVI warned Sunday, urging young Catholics to take the lead in caring for the Earth and its precious resources.

During an open-air Mass on the final day of a weekend religious youth rally that drew about 500,000 people to the town of Loreto, Italy's most important shrine dedicated to the Virgin Mary, Benedict said the world's water supply particularly needed to be preserved and shared equitably to avoid conflicts.

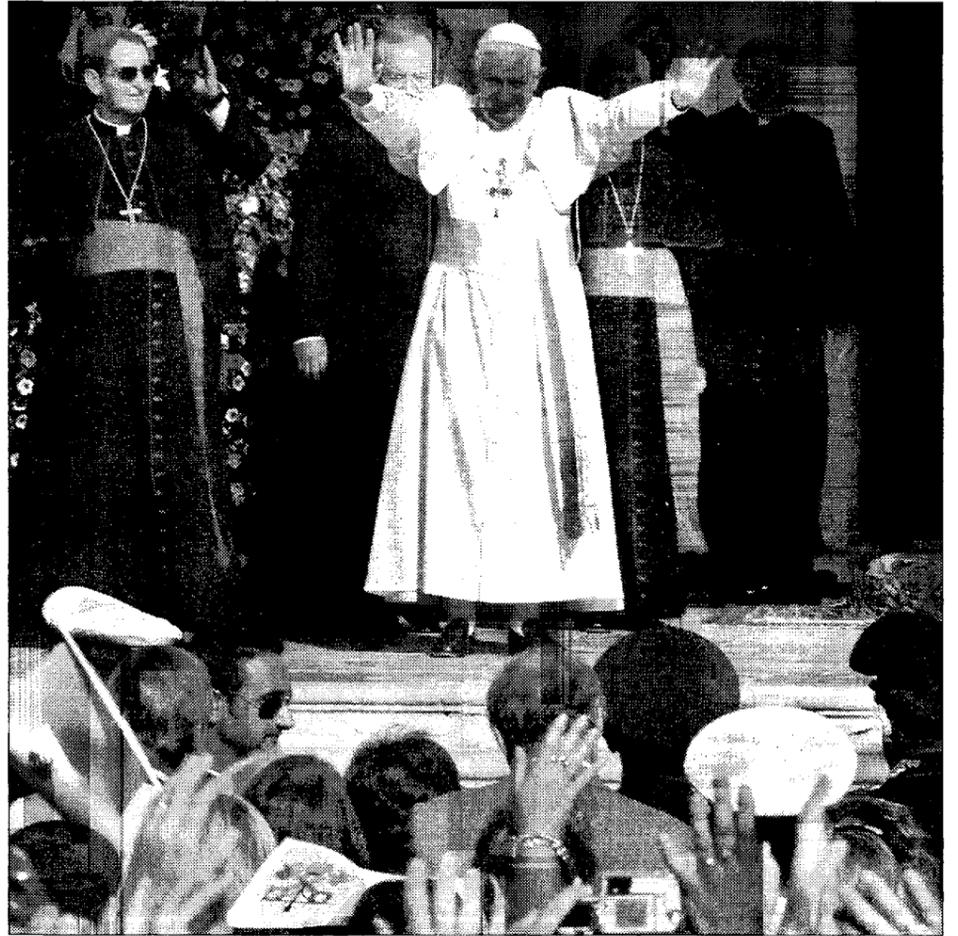
The Loreto meeting organized by the Italian bishops' conference carried a strong environmental message. Participants were given biodegradable plates, recycling bags for their trash and a hand-cranked cell-phone recharger.

Benedict told the crowd, camped out under umbrellas and tents on a vast, dusty field on the Adriatic coast, that it was up to them to save the planet from development that had often ignored "nature's delicate equilibrium."

"Before it's too late, we need to make courageous choices that will recreate a strong alliance between man and Earth," Benedict said in his homily. "We need a decisive 'yes' to care for creation and a strong commitment to reverse those trends that risk making the situation of decay irreversible."

He said water needed to be preserved since "it unfortunately becomes a source of strong tensions and conflicts if it isn't shared in an equitable and peaceful manner."

Benedict lamented this week the environmental impact of recent forest fires in Italy and Greece. And during his summer vacation in the mountains, he spoke frequently about the



A crowd welcomes Pope Benedict XVI upon his arrival outside Loreto's Basilica Sunday at the end of a two-day Catholic youth meeting.

importance of nature — God's creation — in inspiring spirituality.

Under Benedict, the Vatican has been taking steps toward greater environmental sustainability. It has joined a reforestation project aimed at offsetting its CO2 emissions, and has also said it was installing solar cells on the roof of its main auditorium.

Benedict urged the young to "go against the grain" and not be seduced by pressure, including from the mass media, to succeed at all costs in arrogant, egotistical ways.

"Be vigilant! Be critical! Don't get swept up in the wave of this powerful persuasion," he said. "Don't be afraid, dear friends, to take the 'alternate' path indicat-

ed by true love: a sober and solid lifestyle, with loving, sincere and pure relations, an honest commitment to studies and work, and the profound interest in the common good."

Andrea Ringressi, 29, and his girlfriend of three years, Marta Iuzzolini, 27, said they appreciated the pope's green message, particularly during an event that was producing small mountains of plastic water bottles and other refuse.

"It's a good idea here, because there's so much garbage!" Iuzzolini said as she surveyed the grounds, which by the end of the weekend had turned into a very un-ecological field of plastic tarps and garbage bags.

But the couple, who trav-

eled across Italy from the Tuscan city of Pisa for the event, said Benedict's other main message — about how young people should not be afraid to commit themselves to marriage even though so many marriages fail — had particular resonance.

"Marriage is a challenge that we are thinking about," Ringressi said, as he snuggled with Iuzzolini under an umbrella. "I appreciate that he says there are difficulties, but that if you have this desire, this will to follow your dreams, confide in Jesus."

The meeting was an Italian warm-up for next year's World Youth Day, in Sydney, Australia, which the 80-year-old pope plans to attend.

Bush shortens stay at Asia-Pacific summit

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush is cutting short his stay at this year's Asia-Pacific summit, but the fact that he's going — at a pivotal moment in the debate over his Iraq policy — is meant to show he's not neglecting the neighborhood.

Iraq, however, will weigh heavily on his mind during the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum being held in Sydney, Australia.

It will shadow his talks about global warming, trade and thorny foreign policy challenges like North Korea with the leaders of China, Australia, South Korea, Japan and possibly others.

Bush will spend Tuesday night through Saturday in Sydney. But he is leaving a day before the summit ends to rush back to the White House where advisers are scripting a report assessing his decision earlier this year to send 30,000 more troops to Iraq.

A day after Bush returns to Washington, the top U.S. commander in Iraq, Gen. David Petraeus, testifies to Congress. Then, Tuesday marks the sixth anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks. U.S. ambassador to Baghdad, Ryan Crocker, testifies on Capitol Hill on Wednesday. And by Sept. 15, Bush must present his Iraq progress report to Congress.

All the while, Bush's advisers will

continue to search for a replacement for embattled Attorney General Alberto Gonzales and fend off congressional investigations that are expected to follow Bush through his final 16 months in office.

This year's Asia-Pacific summit is being hosted by Australian Prime Minister John Howard, a key U.S. ally on Iraq, who has said keeping Australian troops there could cost him re-election later this year. Bush hopes his visit gives Howard a boost.

"He is a man of steel because he is a person who stands on conviction and principle," Bush told Australia's Sky News television.

GOP denies double standard

Group says admission of guilt in sex scandal sets Craig case apart

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A GOP leader Sunday denied a double standard in pushing Sen. Larry Craig to resign after a sex sting guilty plea, while remaining silent over GOP Sen. David Vitter's involvement with an escort service.

A senior Democrat said a double standard by Republican leaders is exactly what occurred.

Sen. John Ensign, R-Nev., the Senate Republican campaign chairman, said Craig "admitted guilt. That is a big difference between being accused of something and actually admitting guilt."

"David Vitter never did that. Larry Craig did," continued Ensign on ABC's "This Week" program.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt. and chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, expressed a contrary view on "Fox News Sunday."

"One, I say there's a double standard," said Leahy. "Secondly, I don't think they'll ask him (Vitter) to resign because, of course, he'd be replaced by a Democrat. It's easier to ask Larry Craig to resign because he'd be replaced by a Republican."

Idaho has a Republican governor who will appoint a successor to Craig. Louisiana's governor is a Democrat.

Craig of Idaho pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct in a men's restroom and announced Saturday he will leave the Senate at the end of the month. He was caught in a sex sting at the Minneapolis-St. Paul airport in June and,

despite his guilty plea, now insists he did nothing wrong.

Vitter of Louisiana has not been charged with a crime although he acknowledged his Washington telephone number was among those called several years ago by an escort service.

Prosecutors say the escort service was a prostitution ring and have accused the woman who headed it of racketeering.

Craig's conduct was "embarrassing not only to himself and his family but to the United States Senate," said Ensign. Before Craig's announcement, Ensign had strongly suggested that he resign.

Another Republican, Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, said on "Fox News Sunday" that Craig should seek to vindicate himself.

"I'd like to see Larry Craig seek to withdraw the guilty plea, and fight the case," said Specter, the top Republican on the Senate Judiciary Committee. "I'd like to see him fight the case because I think he could be vindicated."

Regardless of any legal developments in Craig's case, Republicans clearly would frown on Craig changing his mind about quitting the Senate Sept. 30 — and leaving the party with a festering corruption issue.

Ed Gillespie, President Bush's counselor and a former chairman of the Republican Party, acknowledged that ethical scandals have hurt the GOP. He predicted that by 2008, the party "will not have candidates who have any kind

of ethical considerations that will be a concern to the voters."

Gillespie agreed with Ensign that Craig's guilty plea made his case different from that of Vitter.

"The fact is that Sen. Craig pled guilty to a crime, and therefore was convicted of a crime. Sen. Vitter has not been charged with a crime, let alone convicted of one. So there's a pretty big distinction here," Gillespie said on "Fox."

Despite Craig's decision to leave the Senate, Democratic Senate campaign chief Charles Schumer, of New York, sought to keep the corruption issue alive. He accused Republicans of failing to support ethics reform when they were in the majority.

"What the American people are looking for is not a blame game, but who is trying to clean it up," Schumer said on "This Week."

"For six years, there was no ethics reform," he said.

The New York senator defended Democratic actions in a new fundraising scandal. A party fundraiser, Norman Hsu, had been a fugitive since failing to appear for a 1992 sentencing.

Hsu, who had pleaded no contest in 1991 to grand theft, turned himself in Friday in California. He raised money for Democratic presidential contenders Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham Clinton.

"We've already given money back," Schumer said. "Nobody knew he was a fugitive. When we found out something was wrong, we returned the money."

13-year-old found dead after ATV accident

Associated Press

PHOENIX, Ariz. — A 13-year-old girl who fell into a brush-covered mine shaft while riding an all-terrain vehicle was found dead at the bottom Sunday, and her 10-year-old sister was rescued with serious injuries, authorities said.

The girls, 13-year-old Rikki Howard and 10-year-old Casie Hicks, were out for a holiday weekend ride around 7 p.m. Saturday when their father, who was riding ahead of them on a dirt bike, noticed the girls were missing.

"They were driving along and they went into the mine. It was a total accident," Mohave County Sheriff's Department spokeswoman Sandy Edwards said.

The mine, believed to be inactive, is located in Chloride, about 17 miles north of Kingman. It was next to a dirt road, concealed by brush and had no signs or barriers.

Sheriff's personnel searched throughout the night, but they weren't able to follow the ATV's tracks into the 125-foot mine shaft until 6:20 a.m. Sunday. The team walked by the site overnight because the hole was covered, she said.

When the entrance was discovered, the father called out and one of the girls answered, officials said. Crews later rappelled into the mine and found the girls and the vehicle at the bottom.

The 10-year-old girl was

transported to University Medical Center in Las Vegas, Edwards said. She was in critical condition Sunday afternoon, a hospital spokesman said. The family declined to comment through the hospital.

Seth Johnson, a neighbor of the girls and their family's landlord, said the two were half-sisters. Their family was at the Las Vegas hospital, he said.

"It's an awful shock," Johnson said. "Their parents are very distraught."

Cathy Kelso, a bus driver, said she has been driving the two girls to school for a year and a half. "They're little sweetheart girls," she said. "I just keep hoping it's not true, but it's horrible."

Laurie Swartzbaugh, deputy director of the Arizona State Mine Inspector's office, said that the mine had not been used for some time, and that the office was investigating. She said abandoned mines are common in the state, and that since Jan. 1, the office has secured 108 of them.

"There's a significant amount of abandoned mines out there that are hazardous to the public's health," she said. "Most of those mines are from old prospectors who would go in and they would mine and they'd just pick up leave."

It was not immediately clear who owned the mine. Swartzbaugh said many abandoned mines date back to the early 1900s and that sometimes it's not possible to track down who owns them.

Miners' families mourn at Utah site

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — The Crandall Cranyon mine has become a tomb, leaving the families of the six men trapped inside with no clear way to say goodbye.

With the search for the miners lost in an Aug. 6 collapse suspended, relatives are now faced with finding a way to grieve for and remember Kerry Allred, Don Erickson, Luis Hernandez, Carlos Payan, Brandon Phillips and Manuel Sanchez — even though the men's bodies were never found.

The experience of having a loved one permanently entombed in a mountain is much like having a family member lost at sea or missing in action in war, said Dale Lund, a professor at the University of Utah who is an expert on bereavement.

"It's pretty hard to come to that closure when you don't see the body and don't have the certainty of what really happened," he said. "In this particular case, you probably have more uncertainty. Even if you believed the person is deceased at this point, it's unclear about how the death experience occurred."

Rescue efforts at the Crandall Canyon Mine were suspended indefinitely Friday, when officials said conditions were too danger-

ous to continue searching. Three rescuers working underground were killed in a second collapse Aug. 16, bringing an abrupt halt to tunnel-clearing efforts to reach the miners.

Teams had drilled seven holes deep into the mountain, but found no signs of life. After a robotic camera became stuck in mud in one hole Friday, federal officials said they had run out of options and told families the search was ending.

There are no plans for a memorial at the mine yet. Colin King, a lawyer and spokesman for all six families, said funeral plans and memorial services wouldn't be discussed with the families for at least a week.

"It's too early and nobody's had a chance to think about it up to now," King said Saturday, one day after federal officials called off the search.

However, at the urging of Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman, community members have organized a memorial service on Sept. 9 on the football field at a junior high school in Huntington, about 120 miles southeast of Salt Lake City.

"I think (a) memorial may be a good way for the family and communities who have been touched by this tragedy to move toward closure and healing," said Huntsman's spokeswoman, Lisa Roskelley.

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IN BRIEF

China accused of illegal subsidies

GENEVA — The World Trade Organization opened a formal investigation Friday into allegations by the U.S. and Mexico that China is providing illegal subsidies for a range of industries.

The two countries accuse Beijing of using WTO-prohibited tax breaks to encourage Chinese companies to boost exports, while imposing tax and tariff penalties to limit purchases of foreign products in China.

Beijing blocked a separate probe of its rules for protecting intellectual property rights. But the move will probably only delay the creation of a panel until the next meeting of the WTO's dispute body in September, when Washington can bring up the issue again.

Wall Street closes out erratic week

NEW YORK — Wall Street closed out another erratic week with a big gain Friday after investors took comments from President Bush and Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke as reassuring signs Wall Street won't be left to deal with problems in the mortgage and credit markets on its own.

Investors balked early in Friday's session when comments from Bernanke didn't indicate a cut in the benchmark federal funds rate was imminent. However, they moved past some of their initial disappointment and appeared to concentrate on comments that the Fed would step in if needed.

Bernanke, speaking at the Fed's annual conference in Jackson Hole, Wyo., said the central bank will "act as needed" to prevent the credit crisis from hurting the national economy.

The major indexes fluctuated but by midday extended their gains after President Bush spoke about details of a plan to help borrowers facing trouble paying their mortgages.

"You've got all the speeches working for the market here," said Michael Church, portfolio manager at Church Capital Management in Philadelphia. "What we've seen in the last few weeks is that Ben Bernanke and the Federal Reserve are paying attention to what's going on. They will help correct the credit markets. For now, we're in a trading range and we have to sort through this mess."

JAPAN

Social security system mismanaged

Retired citizens angry over serious flaws, lost records in troubled pension program

Associated Press

TOKYO — After reading a book this year about serious flaws in Japan's pension system, retired deliveryman Yoshikazu Hirano thought he'd check his own records just to be safe.

He's glad he did: The 74-year-old discovered the government had short-changed him by 460,000 yen (\$3,770) in benefits he accrued while driving a truck for three years in the 1950s and '60s.

Hirano wasn't alone. Shortly afterward, the government confessed to losing track of pension records linked to an astounding 64 million claims — igniting a scandal that has punished the ruling party at the polls and eroded confidence in the ability of the world's second largest economy to support its growing legions of elderly.

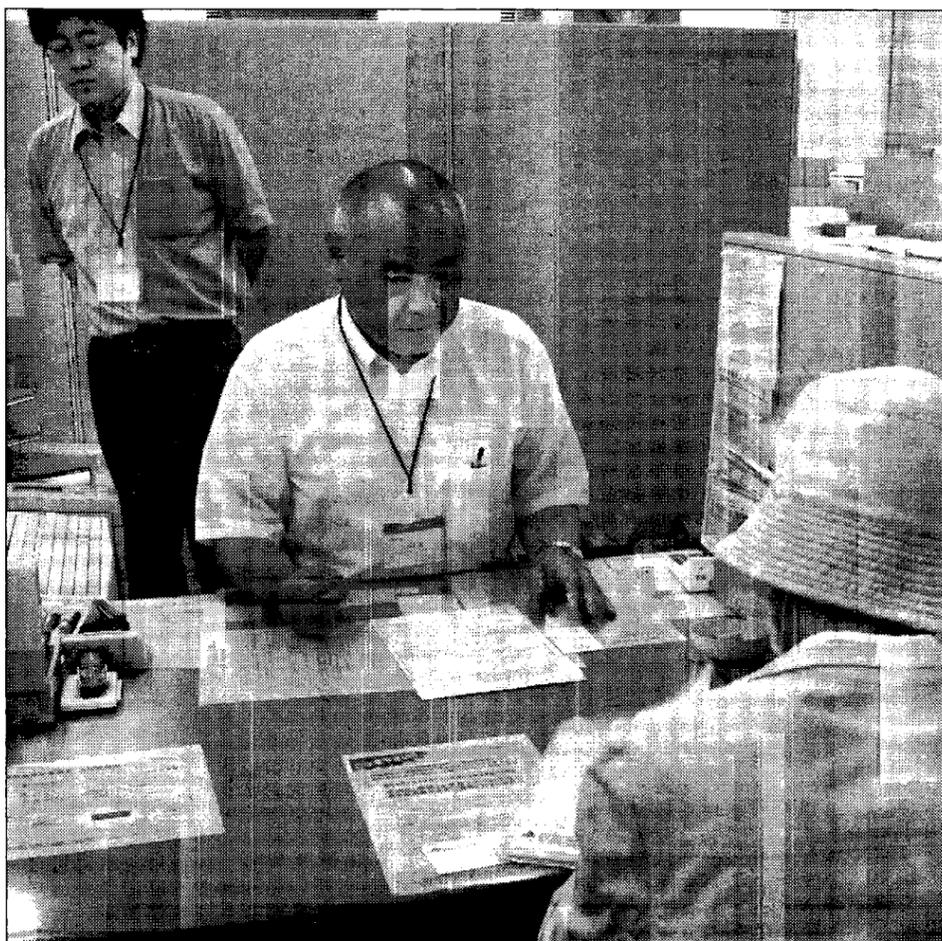
Hirano, who is single and lives outside Tokyo, felt defrauded. "Had I not asked, I would have never gotten the money back," he said.

The pension mess, fully disclosed in May, has landed on one of the world's fastest-aging societies: 21 percent of its 127 million inhabitants are 65 or older and some 25 million retirees are collecting pensions, rising to 35 million by 2040.

People have flooded pension offices and 24-hour call centers seeking to check their records, and titles such as "Recover your pension!" fill bookstores and newsstands.

The confusion has hit Prime Minister Shinzo Abe. The outrage contributed to a plunge in his popularity and forced him to delay an upper house election for a week — to no avail, since his ruling party was trounced at the polls anyway, though he remains in office.

An interim government



An unidentified pensioner, right, talks with consultant Kiyoshi Kawaguchi at the pension provision department at a Social Insurance Agency in Kawasaki, west of Tokyo, Aug. 24.

report released in July alleged widespread incompetence at the Social Insurance Agency: records kept in yellowing files instead of on computers, evidence of possible embezzlement of funds, and rampant clerical mistakes.

"The organization had little sense of compliance," said the report, which blamed the mess on faulty governance, low morale, lack of professionalism and ignorance of "the duty to protect the people's rights."

The agency was established a decade ago to unify three separate pension organizations — one for self-employed or non-workers, another for company employees, and the

third for public servants. With 70 million members and \$1.3 trillion in reserves, it is one of the world's largest.

The panel found internal agency documents indicating embezzlement of pension money by employees. But the fund's flaws were largely clerical; it failed to properly match some 50 million claim records with the correct individuals, and more than 14 million records aren't computerized, meaning they can't be readily retrieved when claims are submitted.

The government has not released an estimate for the number of people affected or amount of money involved, so estimates of the sum in limbo fluctuate widely, between

\$25 billion and \$175 billion.

Hirano has recovered his missing money in a one-time payment, but his case is rare. The agency says it has cleared up only about 40 cases since the scandal erupted.

It's not the first time the agency has been in trouble.

In 2004, a series of scandals led to the arrest of a senior official on bribery charges. A string of agency-run resorts have suffered massive losses. In 2005, the agency disciplined nearly 3,300 staff for various types of misconduct including accepting questionable gifts and money from office suppliers, an agency report shows.

Hollywood revenues up 8 percent

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Hollywood lived its own second-chance "Rocky" story this summer as a business that looked to be going down for the count two years ago rebounded with record revenue and an unparalleled string of blockbuster hits.

The movie industry had its first \$4 billion summer and will finish with a haul of about \$4.15 billion from the first weekend in May through Labor Day, according to box-office tracker Media By Numbers.

That was up 8 percent from last summer and surpassed the previous high of \$3.95 billion in summer 2004.

Hollywood did not set a movie attendance record, though. Factoring in annual rises in admission prices, about 606 million tickets were sold this summer, up 3 percent from 2006. But the season was only the sixth-best for modern Hollywood, whose biggest summer for attendance since the golden age of the 1930s, '40s and '50s came in 2002, when 653.4 million tickets were sold, according to Media By Numbers.

Still, it was a sharp turnaround from summer 2005, when attendance plunged 11.5 percent compared to the previous summer and critics predicted the movie industry would continue to decline as consumers turned to home theaters, video games and

other entertainment choices.

"Everyone should be very happy with the result. The movie industry is alive and well, in comparison to maybe what was being said a few years ago," said Rory Bruer, head of distribution for Sony, which started the summer with a record-breaking \$151.1 million opening weekend for "Spider-Man 3" and also released "Superbad," which is on its way to becoming a \$100 million hit.

"Spider-Man 3" was quickly followed by DreamWorks Animation's "Shrek the Third" and Disney's "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End," the third installments in those three franchises all shooting past \$300 million domestically.

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You gotta fight for your right

The day after the Senate voted to authorize eavesdropping without warrants on international communications, including those involving Americans in the U.S., the heads of Notre Dame's student government alerted their constituents to an alarming threat to constitutional rights in our daily lives: a new

Andrea Laidman

High Sounding Words

Common Council ordinance regulating "special events" in South Bend. Nothing short of a revolution — on the scale of Notre Dame student activism, that is — has ensued.

Notre Dame students have organized in unprecedented numbers, as evidenced by chains of outraged e-mails planning responses and action, multiple articles in the South Bend Tribune quoting concerned students and the Facebook group, "Fight the new South Bend City Ordinance," which has gathered over 2,400 members in a matter of days since student government's e-mail in early August.

The online group's profile calls the ordinance "a directed effort to hamper the living quality of a group of people who are an easy target and don't have a lobbying interest in the government." The group's creators question the legality of an ordinance "restricting a private gathering on private property" and "targeting a specific subgroup of the population."

The anti-ordinance Facebook group even raises the possibility of aid from the American Civil Liberties Union: "The ACLU, as much as they are maligned, does do some good and may be able to help us in this situation." But most ACLU representatives in the news in recent weeks have focused on the new wiretapping measures as a major violation of civil rights, somehow overlooking those

fighting the good fight at Notre Dame.

And so, while Democrats like Hillary and Barack and newspapers like the New York Times express their outrage and dismay at the failure of a Democratic Congress to resist another "stampede" by the Bush administration, and while the founding fathers presumably roll over in their graves at the trampling of the basic values of our nation, Notre Dame students fight for their right to party.

It's not that I fail to see the absurdity of a city ordinance that addresses "special events" of 25 or more guests at "boarding houses" or that I don't recognize that the South Bend Common Council's proposal intentionally targets student parties.

I simply can't help but question the political priorities of our students — and really, our generation — when issues from war and political corruption to poverty and disease in Africa elicit responses from students that pale in comparison to the current indignation over the proposed South Bend ordinance.

I simply can't help but ask, where was this type of activism as stories broke about abuses of detainees — including American citizens — held without charge at Guantanamo Bay?

Where were outraged students discussing "a group of people who are an easy target and don't have a lobbying interest in the government" when Hurricane Katrina revealed shocking levels of poverty and a pitifully inadequate federal response? Yes, hundreds of Notre Dame students have spent time repairing homes along the Gulf Coast, but where was the political savvy and willingness to protest that we're demonstrating now?

Where was this level of awareness when a classified CIA agent's identity was exposed to the press by core mem-

bers of the current White House, putting at risk the agent's life and mission of protecting our nation?

One explanation is that these national issues do not affect our daily lives as students. It follows, according to this mentality, that students get most involved when something impacts their campus — something like the Common Council ordinance.

But I don't buy it.

If impact on campus is what fuels such a heated, student-led response, where were Notre Dame students when eminent Muslim scholar Tariq Ramadan was denied entrance to the U.S., and therefore the opportunity to teach at Notre Dame, over several hundred dollars of contributions he made to Islamic charities?

Where were these coalition-building efforts when last week's episode outside Club 23 revealed a need for dialogue with members of the South Bend community over an incident and issue that certainly impacts the lives of Notre Dame students?

Where were Notre Dame students?

At special events and social gatherings in residential areas and at homes zoned as boarding houses, where over 25 guests could have access to alcohol.

That's just one answer, but I think it explains a lot about the current student opposition and political battle in South Bend.

Andrea Laidman is a senior political science and peace studies major. Her column's title recalls advice given to John Adams by his wife, Abigail: "We have too many high sounding words, and too few actions that correspond with them." She can be contacted at alaidman@nd.edu.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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"Is boredom anything less than the sense of one's faculties slowly dying?"

John Berger
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Quality of Notre Dame education has risen

I commend Professor Charles Rice for proposing that Notre Dame move to adopt a "no-loan" student aid policy ASAP.

However, in his most recent column ("Addressing the tuition increase," Aug. 29), he repeats one of his recurrent themes, that somehow an undergraduate education at Notre Dame has lessened in quality since 1978, when he says the University first moved to a search for status as a nationally recognized Catholic research university. (I

think that particular choice of dates would have surprised the very ambitious CSC priest who was provost at that time.)

I graduated from Notre Dame at the end of Father Hesburgh's first year (1952-1953) as president, and before the 1950s were through, the handwriting "monumental changes ahead" was clearly on the wall, discernible by all but the most myopic. "Bachelor dons," some of them monk-like, some of them good drinking buddies, were on the way

out. An increasingly professionalized faculty, recruited as "best available" to fill the open slots, was becoming the norm. I'm sure Professor Rice was one of them.

My oldest child graduated from the University in 1978, my youngest in 1992. There simply is no question that the education they received was infinitely superior to that available here in my generation, particularly in the College of Science, from which I graduated. All the evidence available to me indicates that

upward trend in the quality of undergraduate education at Notre Dame has accelerated over the last 15 years.

Whether its dollar value is currently greater than Princeton's is another matter, and Professor Rice and I agree that Notre Dame's move to a "no loan" policy is imperative.

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Bumper sticker may send wrong message

The final shot of a video featured on the revamped Notre Dame Web site is distressing. It draws attention away from the University's impressive incoming class, which the rest of the three-minute video highlights, and should be edited to remove the political bumper sticker it includes.

The video, entitled "A New Home Under the Dome," spotlights the arrival of the incoming first-year class. The class, the video tells us, consists of just under 2,000 students from an applicant pool of 14,500 — an exceedingly exclusive and bright bunch indeed. Impressive, too, is that the class is distinguished by greater ethnic diversity than any other group in Notre Dame's history, with over 25 percent of the

students being minority. Both signs of progress, to be sure.

Unfortunately, though, the video ends in the following way: The camera holds on a close-up of the vanity license plate on the back of a recently unloaded SUV. As the car drives away, we see the "Bush/Cheney in '04" bumper sticker next to the Notre Dame vanity license plate. As graduates of the University who also grew up a mile from campus, we are well aware that there is nothing decidedly false or inaccurate about the contiguity of a Notre Dame vanity plate and a Republican bumper sticker. However, as alumnae who do not approve of most of the Bush administration's foreign or domestic policies, we hate to

think that this shot in some way signals the University's endorsement of the Bush/Cheney administration and its past or future decisions.

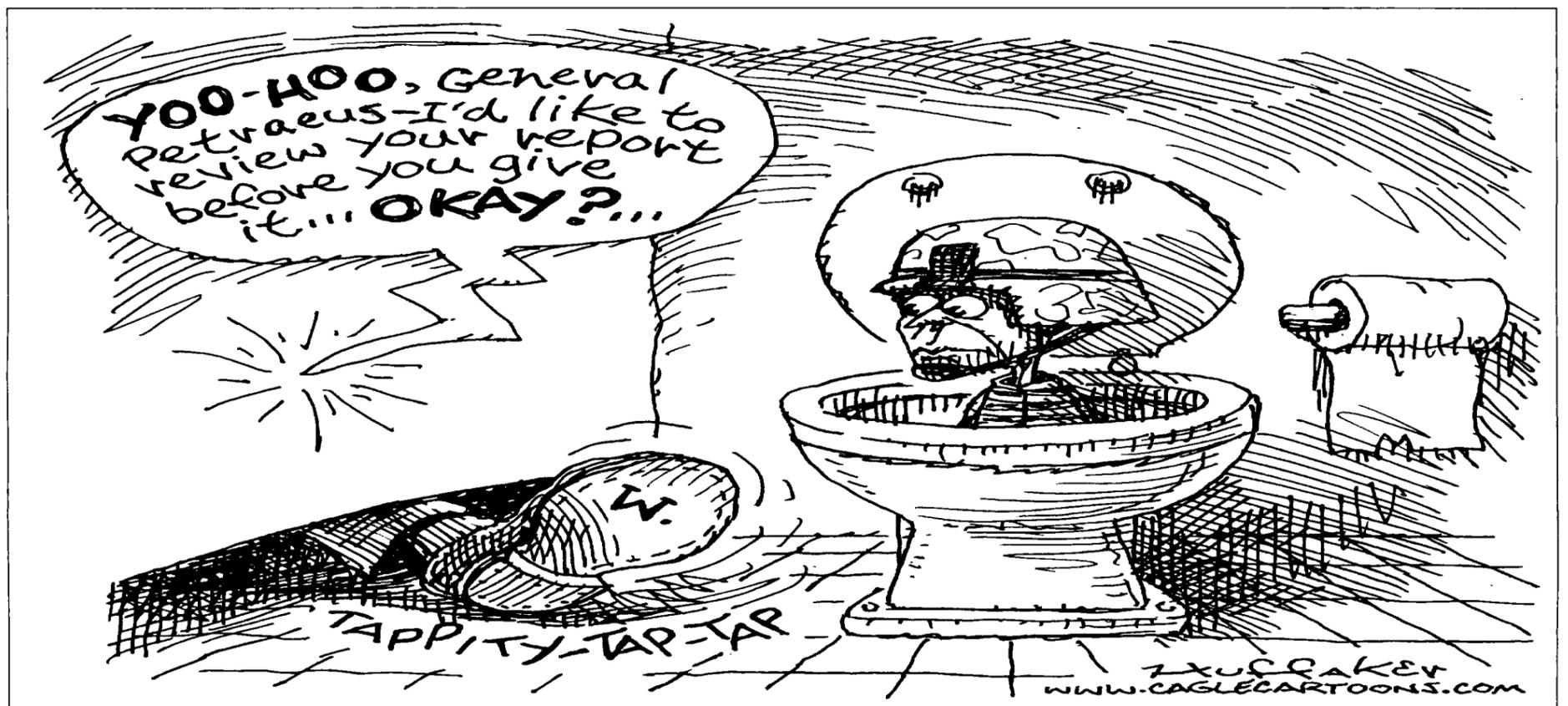
As alumnae from the Classes of 1994 and 2003, we too applaud this year's incoming class and look forward to the promise of the future they can help create. We hope that their Notre Dame education will provide them with the tools to think critically, to act as engaged citizens of this country and the many other countries they represent, and, most importantly, to be guided in their work to act justly toward the most vulnerable members of the global community. At its best, this is what four years of a Notre Dame education afforded each of us, thanks to so

many excellent and committed Notre Dame professors and staff members.

We urge the University administration to continue striving to make Notre Dame a place that is open-minded, a place of thoughtful exchange, a place where many viewpoints are welcome and a place whose identity, fortunately, is not tied with any particular politician or political party. (And we urge the Web site administrators to review this video and consider editing the shot before the partisan bumper sticker appears!)

Mary Kate Goodwin-Kelly, Maura Kelly
 alumnae
 Class of 1994, Class of 2003
 Aug. 30

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OBSERVER GRAPHIC | Jared Water

By DAMON JASON
Staff Writer

This year's version of Madden is the third year the immensely popular series has appeared on next-gen consoles. Fans of the series will remember choppy animations, control issues, reduced game play options and awkward character models have plagued the series for the last two years. So how does Madden '08 fare on third down?

The issues above have been addressed and tweaked, with mixed results. Veteran players will notice a much revamped control system that is admittedly a little too complex at first. It will take some time to master all of the pre-play defensive/offensive controls. Traditional defensive playmaker controls remain relatively unchanged, as do most of the post-snap defensive controls.

When playing the game, a new addition you will notice is that little icons surround major players and designate what type of "weapon" that player is. There are tons of designations, including multiple per position. Running backs suited for pounding the ball inside, such as Rudi Johnson, are "Power Back" weapons. More shifty backs, like Stephen Jackson, are desig-

nated "Elusive Back" or "Stiff Arm Ball Carrier" and are more adept at breaking and avoiding tackles. In addition, each weapon has a complimentary opposite. For example, big play receivers are vulnerable to big hitters.

Some players are given the "smart" quarterback or defender designation. After a certain defense has been called multiple times, a meter fills up, and when activated, these "smart" QBs, such as Peyton Manning, can see the defensive formation on the fields and attack these holes.

"Smart" defenders, on the other hand, are able to react with greater probability to where the ball is going to be. This is especially helpful with corners like Champ Bailey, who are much more likely to get the drop on a pass and create an interception.

One notable change is the Hit Stick. Flicking the Hit Stick up or down with your right thumb will cause you to hit a player high or low, and the choice of which to choose can mean the difference between a fumble and a missed tackle. It is better to hit Power Backs low to throw them off their center of gravity, while you should almost always hit Elusive Backs high to try and cause them to cough up the ball.

This brings up a point of contention in this year's version of Madden. In an effort to create a more realistic and lower scoring game, developer EA Tiburon has modified the defense to the point where turnovers occur way too often. Fumbles definitely happen frequently, even when the offense is protecting the ball. Interceptions, however, occur way too often. Interceptions from bad passes are understandable, but too often defenders get an extra step on open

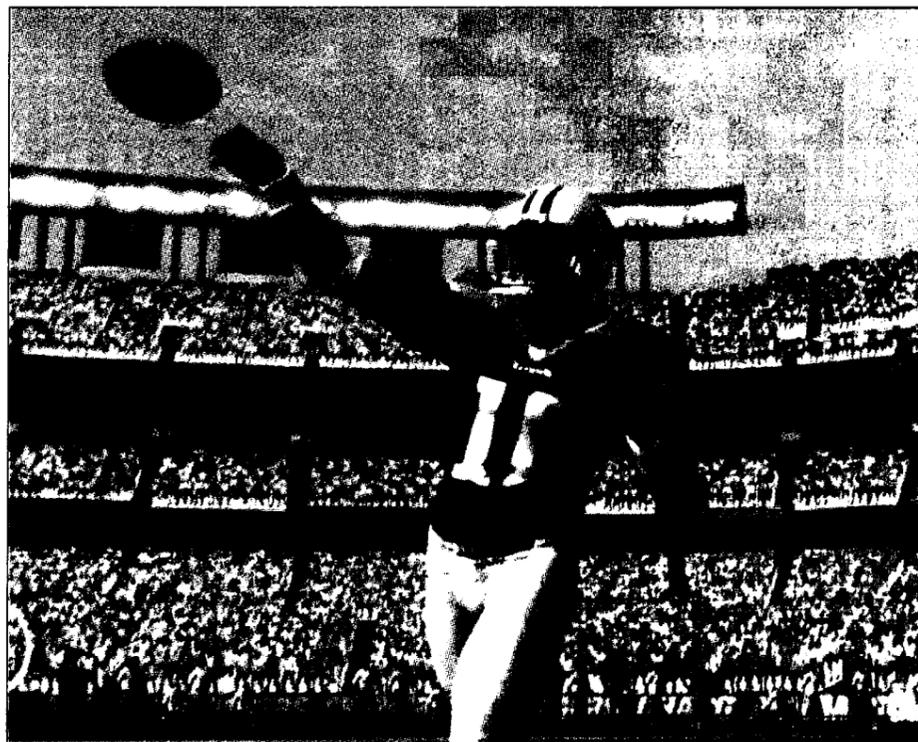


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Tennessee Titans quarterback Vince Young is featured on the cover of Madden 08 after winning the Rookie of the Year Award last season.

receivers to force interceptions.

Franchise mode is finally back, with most previous features completely intact and with a few new wrinkles thrown in. The best new feature here is the ability to train individual players each week. For example, you have a quarterback who has a "Cannon Arm" designation, like Rex Grossman, but has some accuracy issues.

You can fix this by forcing "Sexy Remy" to practice accuracy drills. The amount of points you accumulate in these drills converts directly into that player's ability ratings. Therefore, you can upgrade Grossman's accuracy from "sub par" to "almost competent."

New this year is the off-season finance mode, in which you can man-

age finances, purchase stadium upgrades, choose sponsors and many other options. You even have the possibility of moving your team to a new city and changing its uniforms and logos. This is a novel feature that fits into the game very well.

All things aside, Madden NFL '08 is a solid addition to the Madden lineage. While certain shortcomings such as the massive amount of turnovers during game play, no true in-game commentary (why is this so hard if EA has the ESPN license?) and weak online play hold this title back from being truly innovative, Madden NFL '08 is still a great game.

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Madden 2008

Developer: EA Sports

Consoles: Xbox 360, Playstation 3



Here Come the Irish

After being drafted 22nd overall, quarterback Brady Quinn has traded in Notre Dame blue and gold for Cleveland Brown and has a chance to start at quarterback sometime this season. Now you can put yourself in his cleats and play as him in Madden 2008.



Photo courtesy of msnbc.com

Stat Ratings	
Overall:	77
Speed:	77
Strength:	66
Agility:	74
Throw Power:	86
Throw Accuracy:	84
Awareness:	62

Assessment: While he doesn't have the earth shattering ratings that Irish fans have enjoyed for the past few years in EA's NCAA College Football, Quinn is given a lot of love for a rookie quarterback. High marks in power and accuracy means he will be able to hit a streaking Braylon Edwards downfield, but low marks in awareness make him very susceptible to sacks. Overall, the virtual BQ QB is a solid player, much like his real-world counterpart.

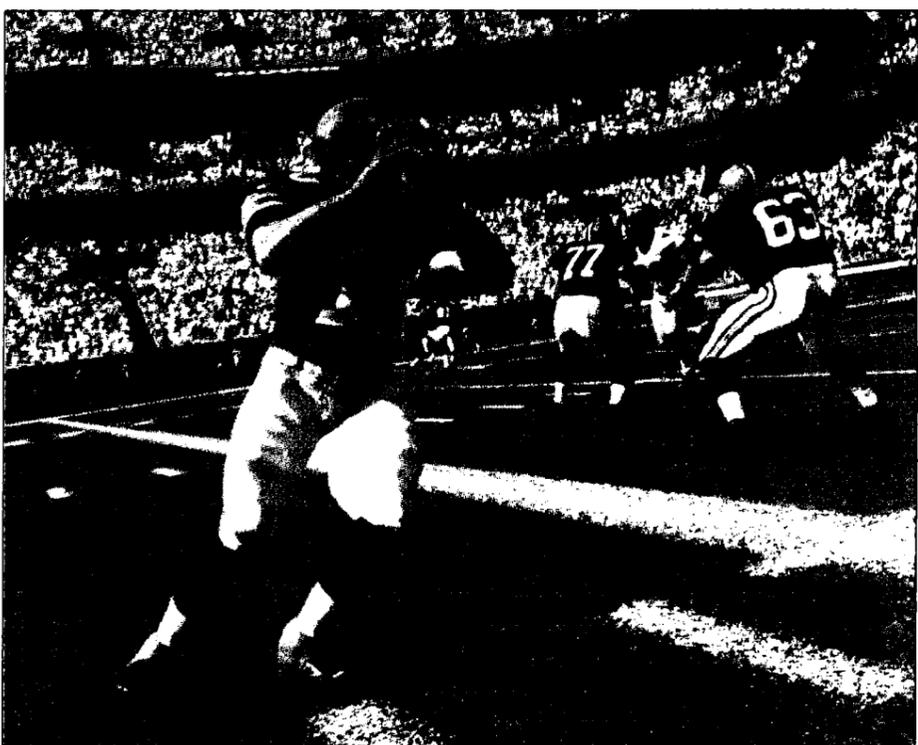


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Although he's no longer under center here at ND, you can play as NFL rookie Brady Quinn and air it out in Madden 2008. After all, chicks dig the long ball.

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Georgia Tech 33, Notre Dame 3

A Ramblin' Wreck

Georgia Tech crushes Notre Dame 33-3 in season opener

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

The post-Brady Quinn era at Notre Dame began Saturday with a failed spread option experiment against a stout Georgia Tech defense. Three quarterbacks saw the field in a 33-3 defeat — the worst opening-game loss at home in school history.

"Obviously you have to give credit to Georgia Tech because they are a good football team," Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said. "But the flipside of that is that when the team is not ready to go, OK, which we obviously weren't, OK. Who else are you going to blame but yourself? I'm the head coach. It's my responsibility."

After weeks of suspense, the curtain was finally lifted to reveal Demetrius Jones as the Notre Dame starting quarterback, but Georgia Tech's Tashard Choice stole the show, running for two touchdowns and a career-high 196 yards.

"We knew we could win the game," Choice said. "But we wanted to come out and make a statement, and I think we did that."

For most of the first half, Weis played the dual-threat Jones over Evan Sharpley and Jimmy Clausen, who are both more traditional pocket-style passers. Weis also altered his offensive scheme from the pro-style passing attack Notre Dame ran under Brady Quinn the past two seasons.

Weis, known for his complex passing offenses and a tendency to abandon the ground game when struggling, used the run almost exclusively in the first half, choosing to keep the ball on the ground in 19 of Notre Dame's first 24 plays. The majority of those runs came out of the shotgun spread formation — an offense suited to take advantage of Jones' running ability.

"I knew they have a very sound defensive scheme, and they have very good players," Weis said. "Especially with our experience level, we thought that the best way to go against them was to run the football. And we felt that Demetrius as an additional runner could provide us some plays where we would be able to move the ball."

Despite their persistence in running the ball, the Irish achieved little success in the first half, gaining 53 yards in 26 attempts. Weis, however, was determined to establish a running game, and Jones threw only three passes in the first half.



VANESSA GEMPIS/The Observer

Notre Dame quarterback Demetrius Jones is brought down by a Georgia Tech defender in Notre Dame's 33-3 loss Saturday to Georgia Tech. Jones was pulled late in the first half in favor of junior Evan Sharpley, who was later replaced by freshman Jimmy Clausen.

"What we are trying to do is we felt we could keep the game relatively close and play in a more intermediate type of game," Weis said. "We figured they were going to be getting after us pretty good and one of the ways we felt we could try and slow down and neutralize them is try to run the football and try not to have negative plays."

While the Irish struggled greatly to run the football, Georgia Tech had few problems. The Yellow Jackets ran Choice early and often, entering the Notre Dame red zone on their first four possessions, but the Irish defense limited the damage to only nine points.

The game turned late in the first half after a personal foul penalty on Notre Dame defensive lineman Justin Brown. The Irish had stopped the Yellow Jackets on third down, but Brown's penalty extended the drive. Choice then took a direct snap, found the edge of the Irish

defense, and scampered 22 yards down the sideline for the first touchdown of the game that put the Yellow Jackets up 16-0.

Choice would add a seven-yard score early in the fourth quarter.

"Our veteran offensive line did a great job of opening holes for me," Choice said. "The receivers had a couple of key down-field blocks as well. They made my job easy. By the second half, everything seemed to be wide open."

Choice's performance also eased the burden of first year Yellow Jacket starting quarterback Taylor Bennett. Playing in his first true road game, Bennett completed 11 of 23 passes for 121 yards with no touchdowns or interceptions, and he drew mixed reviews from Georgia Tech head coach Chan Gailey.

"He did some really good things, and he missed some throws that I've seen him make 50 times in practice," Gailey said. "The great thing is he didn't have

to play great today."

While Bennett had his struggles, they were nothing compared to the trouble Notre Dame's three quarterbacks faced against the blitz-happy Yellow Jacket defense. Defensive coordinator John Tenuda sent constant pressure after the Irish signal callers, resulting in nine Georgia Tech sacks.

"They're a really aggressive defense," said Notre Dame center John Sullivan. "When a really aggressive defense that blitzes a lot, moves a lot, executes well, it can be a long day for an offense."

The majority of the Yellow Jackets' sacks came after junior Evan Sharpley entered the game with just over two minutes left in the first half. Running Weis' more traditional offense, Sharpley completed 10-of-13 passes for 90 yards, but Georgia Tech's seven sacks on Sharpley prevented the Irish from mounting any sort of comeback. Sharpley did lead Notre Dame's

one scoring drive, taking the Irish as far as the Georgia Tech two-yard line before settling for a 22-yard Brandon Whitaker field goal.

Highly-touted freshman quarterback Jimmy Clausen did enter the game with just under nine minutes to play, drawing cheers from fans despite the 33-3 scoreboard. Clausen went on to complete 4-of-6 passes for 34 yards with no touchdowns or interceptions.

Weis said he did not know which quarterback would start next week at Penn State.

"I think I'm going to need 48 hours," Weis said. "We're going to watch the tape tomorrow and critically evaluate where the problems are and go about fixing them so that when we go to Happy Valley, we are not having this same conversation next Saturday night."

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player of the game

Tashard Choice

Choice carried the ball 26 times for 196 yards and two touchdowns, exploiting problems on the outside of Notre Dame's 3-4 personnel scheme.

stat of the game

- 8

Notre Dame's net rushing yardage on 41 attempts.

play of the game

Tashard Choice's
22-yard touchdown run

The run gave Georgia Tech a 16-0 lead with 2:44 left in the first half.

quote of the game

"I felt that the offense hung the defense out to dry."

Charlie Weis
Irish coach

report card

- C-** **quarterbacks:** Jones and Sharpley showed their inexperience, but the offensive line did not help to settle them in their first game. Clausen threw decently in six attempts.
- C+** **running backs:** Thomas struggled, but sometimes the backs are only as good as their line. Armando Allen averaged over eight yards per carry — but only saw the ball three times.
- B** **receivers:** The receivers could not do much because the quarterbacks were busy being sacked. But when the ball did manage to reach them, nobody dropped it.
- F** **offensive line:** The line allowed 19 tackles for loss, and looked confused all day against the blitz. If Notre Dame has any hope of salvaging this season, the line must play better.
- C** **defensive line:** Laws and Kuntz played well and stopped Choice inside, but Brown's disqualification late in the first half gave Georgia Tech a huge boost to victory.
- C-** **linebackers:** The linebackers allowed Choice to earn big gains on the outside, but some of that came from the fatigue of being on the field so much early in the game.
- B** **defensive backs:** Bruton had nine tackles, including a sack, and the secondary only allowed 121 yards through the air. Granted, there was no Calvin Johnson, but this was a step in the right direction.
- C-** **special teams:** Price only had one good punt, while the return games were average. Whitaker had two solid kick-offs and Walker hit his field goal.
- F** **coaching:** Weis' gameplan was disastrous and the offense struggled against Georgia Tech for the second year in a row. Something must improve or this will be a long season for fans.

1.70 **overall:** The Irish were not ready to face Georgia Tech. From the coaching staff on down, everybody shares some blame for the total meltdown that occurred Saturday.

adding up the numbers

- 9** Georgia Tech's sack total. The Yellow Jackets brought down Demetrius Jones and Jimmy Clausen once and Evan Sharpley seven times.
- 7** Total yards starting running back Travis Thomas had on seven carries. Weis said Thomas will start again next week against Penn State.
- 5** Third downs Notre Dame converted in 16 attempts.
- 3** Consecutive losses Charlie Weis has in home opening games during his tenure as Notre Dame coach.
- 1** Completed passes thrown by Notre Dame's starting quarterback, Demetrius Jones.
- 3** Tailbacks who received at least one carry Saturday. Thomas and Aldridge had six, Allen had three.
- 7.5** Yards Georgia Tech running back Tashard Choice averaged per carry.
- 100** Yards lost by Notre Dame either on sacks or tackles for loss.



Notre Dame defensive lineman Pat Kuntz reacts after dropping a potential interception in Notre Dame's 33-3 loss to Georgia Tech Saturday. Kuntz, who occupied the nose tackle position on Corwin Brown's 3-4 personnel scheme, finished the game with two tackles.

New squad needs old Weis

Charlie Weis, where are you? Brady Quinn and Jeff Samardzija graduated, Darius Walker left, and the offensive genius disappeared — at least for now.



Ken Fowler
Sports Writer

And the reason seems to be totally unbecomingly of the uber-confident Weis. Notre Dame's head coach, though he spends most his time as the de facto offensive coordinator, decided to stick with a cockamamie idea to compensate for a lack of confidence New Jersey bravado.

Weis was afraid. Because of elbow surgery and rehabilitation, Jimmy Clausen was not ready to start at quarterback, and Demetrius Jones beat Evan Sharpley for the job. But it's clear that Weis wasn't comfortable with his most important player. After the loss — Notre Dame's worst since the abysmal 2003 campaign — Weis talked about how he wanted to minimize the passing game to avoid turnovers.

Weis thought he could run all day on Georgia Tech's heavy-blitzing defense. John Tenuta, the Yellow Jacket's defensive coordinator, shut down opponents last year with up-the-gut pressure. There was one major exception to Tenuta's success: West Virginia.

The Mountaineers used the spread option to tear through the Georgia Tech defense in the Gator Bowl, which West Virginia won 38-35.

Mountaineers quarterback Pat White threw for 131 yards and ran for another 145. Backup tailback Owen Schmitt, in for speedy Steve Slaton, ran 13 times for 109 yards, and West Virginia finished with 311 yards on the ground.

So Weis met with West Virginia coach Rich Rodriguez, probably to swap offensive strategies. But Demetrius Jones isn't the established threat that Pat White is, the Notre Dame running backs haven't proven

themselves, and Weis decided he could beat Georgia Tech without throwing passes to keep the Yellow Jacket front seven off-balance.

Worse yet, Weis didn't give Jones a fair chance to prove himself. Twenty-seven plays, five called passes, three attempts, one completion. That's not the way to let your new "starter" know you have confidence in his passing ability. Nor is playing all three scholarship signal-callers in the first game.

When it came down to crunch time, Notre Dame's three quarterbacks threw 22 passes, with fifteen completions — with no interceptions.

A scared Weis — maybe unsure in himself, maybe unsure because of what he saw in practice — hamstrung his team.

"We were hoping not to get into a game where we had to throw it a whole bunch of times," Weis said. "You know, we thought that going against Georgia Tech, especially with our experience level, we thought that the best way to go against them was to run the football."

And why was that? "I knew that they have a very sound defensive scheme and they have good players," Weis said. "So we figured they were going to be getting after us pretty good and one of the ways we felt we could try and slow down and neutralize them is try to run the football and try not to have negative plays."

"...But in reality what we are trying to do is we felt we could keep the game relatively close and play in a more intermediate type of game, rather than, you know, throwing bomb's away and turning it into a home run game."

That doesn't sound like the "nasty," confident, "6-6 is not good enough" Charlie Weis who replaced a middling coach with a penchant for blowout losses two and a half years ago.

It sounds like a coach unsure what he should do, who he should play and how he should act.

And a day later, new Charlie was as perplexing as he was immediately following the loss.

"I think whoever the quarterback is, you have to build the offense

around that guy," Weis said Sunday. "...You still have to utilize the skills of the person you're using at quarterback."

I still have to wait and see which direction we're going to go and set it around what that guy can do because there's no sense trying to do something the guy's not capable of doing."

Charlie, it's time to make up your mind.

Weis appears to be trying to minimize his losses. He said he picked Jones because, Weis believed, Jones' offensive package gave Notre Dame the best chance to win. He said he would use that same logic when picking a starter for Penn State.

But now he's talking about picking a quarterback and then determining the offense based on the quarterback. The circular logic is maddening, and it seems all designed to minimize his risks.

Weis wants to have the best quarterback on the field, but he also wants to have the best offensive package.

At some point, Weis must realize that trying to fit those varying pieces into the same hole is the reason why the offense was pathetic. At some point, Weis must make a decision to stick with an offense or stick with a quarterback and do what his team does best.

Trying to do both leads to doing neither, and Weis' former self knew that.

The Charlie Weis who stuck with his bread-and-butter against vaunted USC in 2005 made his players play to a level they haven't reached since.

The Charlie Weis who pulled out gadget plays against the Trojans in 2006 and reckless fake punts against LSU in the Sugar Bowl this January has seen his team blown out three times in a row.

The old Charlie Weis needs badly to come back if Notre Dame wants to be successful.

And he needs to come back now.

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Three QBs struggle to find groove

By LORENZO REYES
Sports Writer

Would it be the sophomore playmaker Demetrius Jones? Perhaps the junior with actual game experience in Evan Sharpley? Or could the unproven, but highly regarded freshman Jimmy Clausen take control of Notre Dame's quarterback position?

During the worst home opening loss in the program's history Saturday against Georgia Tech, Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis gave all three a chance to prove themselves at the position. Even though each player was able to get some experience, not much was answered and a great deal regarding the stability of the position remains ambiguous.

It was obvious when Jones led the Irish out of the locker room onto the field that he would get his first collegiate start. With the crowd behind him, he took the field attempting to make a statement.

Just a minute into the game, Jones' first drive was over after Georgia Tech's pressure forced a fumble. The following two offensive drives gained only 13 total yards and resulted in two punts.

As the second quarter began, Jones was able to lead the offense down the field, but another Georgia Tech strip forced Jones' second fumble of the day, ending the surge.

I knew that they have a very sound defensive scheme and they have good players," Weis said.

"So we figured they were going to be getting after us pretty good and one of the ways we felt we could try and slow down and neutralize them is try to run the football and try not to have negative plays."

After the next two offensive possessions resulted in a net gain of zero yards, Weis decided to give Sharpley a shot.

Jones finished with 12 rushes for 28 yards and only completed one pass on three attempts for four yards. He showed the ability to avoid the rush, but couldn't protect the ball well enough to sustain drives.

"It's disappointing," Jones said. "But everything happens for a reason and now we have to respond. It's part of football."

While Jones was under center, Weis used the spread offense as the base scheme, employing shotgun sets with three and four wide receivers for over half of his plays. The rest of the plays consisted of either singleback or I-formation sets, with Jones using his athleticism to try and make plays.

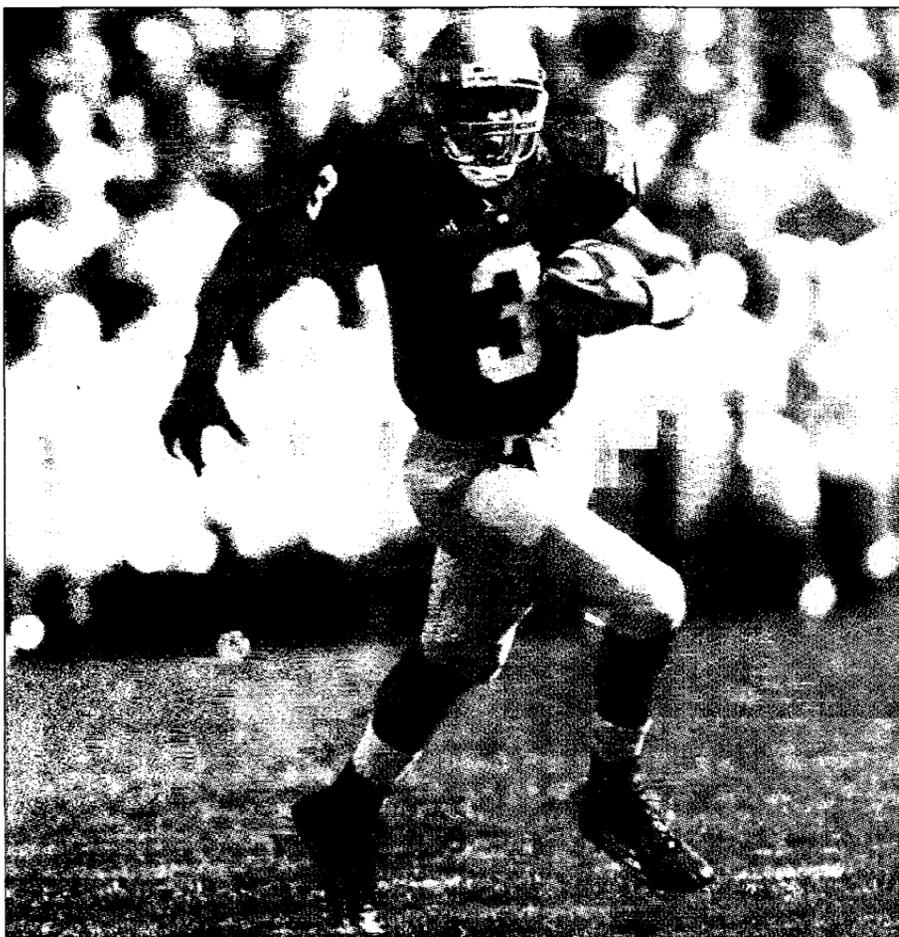
Jones seemed to be more comfortable out of the shotgun thanks to his ability to see the field better and pick up the blitz, but the offensive line could not give him much help.

"I think that we didn't do a very good job of being ready for the speed of the game," Weis said.

Still, the offensive unit could not muster any effective drives to score points.

Sharpley's first drive, which spanned seven plays for 17 yards, stalled, although he completed two of his three passes for nine yards. Sharpley was sacked seven times on the day and Weis said he would have to look at the tape to see who was at fault on those sacks.

"I just have to make sure that when I'm



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Irish quarterback Demetrius Jones scrambles in Notre Dame's 33-3 loss Saturday to Georgia Tech. Jones ran for 28 yards on 12 carries.

identifying problems, I know who is at fault. I mean, you know, too many times you sit there and blame the quarterback. Now there's certain things that you can't shun, certain things that are your responsibility. You turn, you fumble the ball; there's no one else you can blame," Weis said. "But as far as sacks or reads and all those other things, I think that is something that you have to make sure you watch the tape so you don't make the wrong deduction.

Notre Dame's first drive of the second half proved to be the longest and most sustained of the game. Sharpley took control of the reigns once again and led the team down the field to score the first and only points of the game, a field goal from freshman Brandon Walker.

In the drive, Sharpley went 5-of-6 for 42 yards, completing several key passes, one of which was fumbled during the snap. He adeptly recovered the ball and threw it to senior tight end John Carlson to create a gain out of a broken play.

However, the scoring drive was largely sustained by two defensive penalties that resulted in first downs.

Most of Sharpley's plays were from both singleback and shotgun sets. However, the main difference between Jones and Sharpley's time under center was the fact that the sophomore only attempted three passes, whereas the junior relied on his arm to make plays.

"They had a great defensive scheme," Sharpley said. "Now we have to watch film, make our adjustments and make them pay off."

With the game somewhat out of hand, Weis gave Clausen a chance to display his

talent to the nation. The freshman looked poised and confident while showcasing his decision-making.

On one play, he stayed in the pocket until he had to escape. Once he was flushed out, he attempted to signal sophomore wide out George West to alter his route and make a play. Although West did not see the signal, Clausen simply ran out of bounds instead of forcing a throw.

Clausen went 4-of-6 for 34 yards, showing composure and accuracy in the huddle. However, it is worth noting that Georgia Tech had largely backed off their blitz schemes and was going with a conservative coverage plan that gave the freshman more time in the pocket. Additionally, some of the substitute defensive backs for Georgia Tech saw time while Clausen was under center.

So as the Irish go into Happy Valley to face No. 17 Penn State, Weis must go back to the drawing board and figure out who gives the team the best chance to win.

The quarterbacks were mixed as to who would start next week.

"That decision is not up to me, it's up to the coaches," Sharpley said.

Jones had another, and much more confident, take on the situation.

"Yes. I do anticipate starting next week," Jones said.

As the week progresses, and the hype of the upcoming game builds, Weis will have to answer questions about the position and make his decision. Let the speculation begin.

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scoring summary

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Notre Dame	0	0	3	0	3
Ga. Tech	6	10	3	14	33

First quarter

Georgia Tech 3, Notre Dame 0
Travis Bell 32-yard field goal with 11:15 remaining.
Drive: 5 plays, 18 yards, 2:14 elapsed
Georgia Tech 6, Notre Dame 0
Travis Bell 29-yard field goal with 6:47 remaining.
Drive: 7 plays, 36 yards, 2:52 elapsed

Second quarter

Georgia Tech 9, Notre Dame 0
Travis Bell 40-yard field goal with 9:44 remaining.
Drive: 6 plays, 21 yards, 2:45 elapsed
Georgia Tech 16, Notre Dame 0
Tashard Choice 22-yard touchdown run with 2:44 remaining (Bell kick)
Drive: 7 plays, 53 yards, 2:46 elapsed

Third quarter

Georgia Tech 19, Notre Dame 0
Travis Bell 39-yard field goal with 10:22 remaining.
Drive: 13 plays, 63 yards, 4:38 elapsed
Georgia Tech 19, Notre Dame 3
Brandon Walker 24-yard field goal with 4:38 remaining.
Drive: 12 plays, 58 yards, 5:44 elapsed

Fourth quarter

Georgia Tech 26, Notre Dame 3
Tashard Choice 7-yard touchdown run with 13:06 remaining (Bell kick)
Drive: 8 plays, 70 yards, 3:00 elapsed
Georgia Tech 33, Notre Dame 3
Jonathan Dwyer 7-yard touchdown run with 8:52 remaining (Bell kick)
Drive: 3 plays, 17 yards, 1:04 elapsed

statistics

total yards

GT	386
ND	122

rushing yards

GT	265
ND	-8

passing yards

GT	121
ND	130

return yards

GT	68
ND	113

time of possession

GT	29:40
ND	30:20



passing

Sharpley	10-13-0	Bennett	11-23
Clausen	4-6-0	D. Thomas	0-1-0
Jones	1-3-0		

rushing

Jones	12-28	Choice	26-196
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receiving

Parris	3-30	Smith	3-31
Carlson	3-29	Choice	3-22
West	2-29	Johnson	2-42
Kamara	2-19	Peek	1-9

tackling

Bruton	9	Lewis	8
Crum	9	D. Robertson	6

Irish suffer worst loss ever in opener

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

Saturday was the most lopsided loss to open a season in Notre Dame history, surpassing the Irish's 31-10 loss to Pittsburgh in the first game of the 1976 season. It was also the first time Notre Dame has failed to score a touchdown in the season opener since 1985, when the Irish fell at Michigan,

20-12.

Scoring drought

The three points scored by Notre Dame were the lowest total in Charlie Weis' two-plus years in South Bend. The previous low was 14 points, which came in last year's season opening victory over Georgia Tech.

Tech offensive

Georgia Tech amassed 386

total yards of offense compared to Notre Dame's 122. That output was Notre Dame's lowest total yardage since a 44-13 loss to USC in 2002, when Notre Dame gained only 109 yards.

Brown can play next week

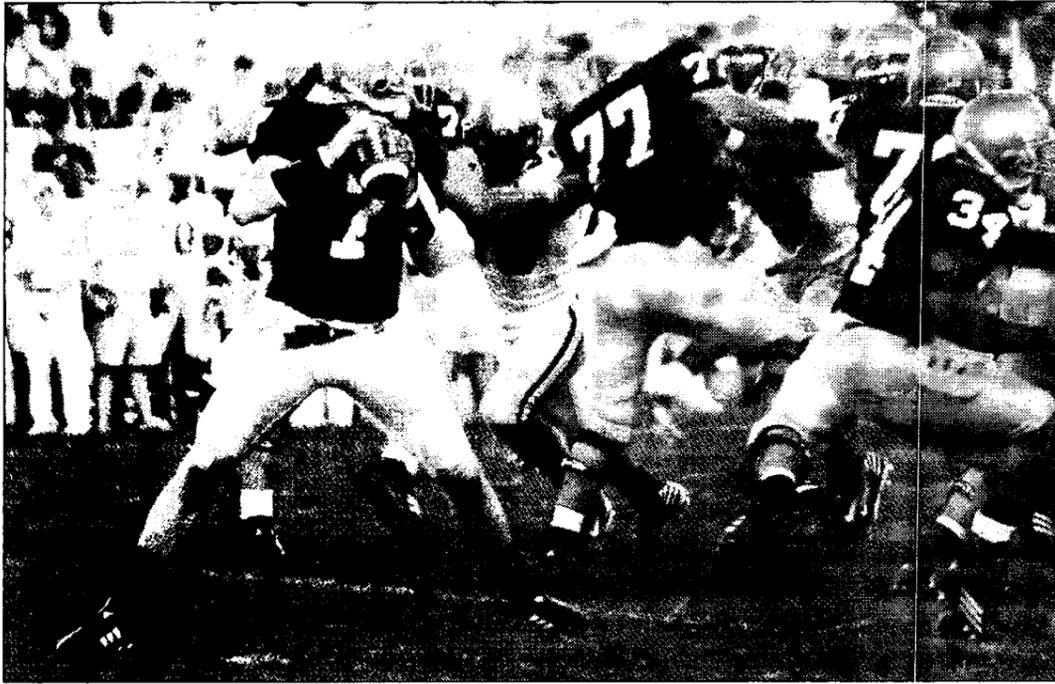
Irish senior defensive lineman Justin Brown was immediately disqualified from the game during the second quarter. According to NCAA rules,

Brown will not be suspended for any additional amount of time.

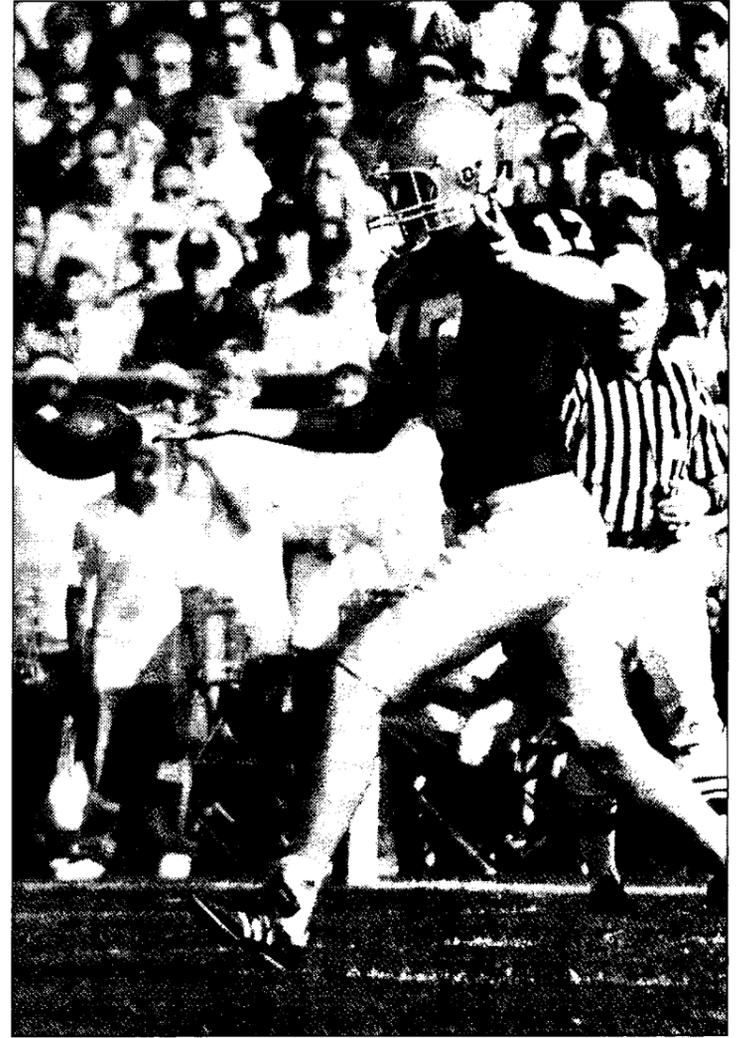
Choice weapon

Saturday was the eighth straight game that Tashard Choice has rushed for at least 100 yards — breaking the Georgia Tech school record set by Eddie Lee Ivery in 1978.

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Battered and Beaten

Notre Dame entered Saturday with many question marks. It left with even more. All three quarterbacks competing for the starting job saw time Saturday, but none could effectively handle Georgia Tech's quick and confusing defense. Notre Dame's experiment with the spread-option offense under Demetrius Jones failed, while Evan Sharpley could not find the time to throw under Charlie Weis' normal offense. But Notre Dame has more problems to solve before it travels to No. 17 Penn State next week. The offensive line let blitzers past them all day and the defense allowed 276 rushing yards. The Irish looked unsure and a step too slow Saturday, but need to be sure of themselves before heading into Happy Valley — one of the most intimidating road atmospheres in college football.



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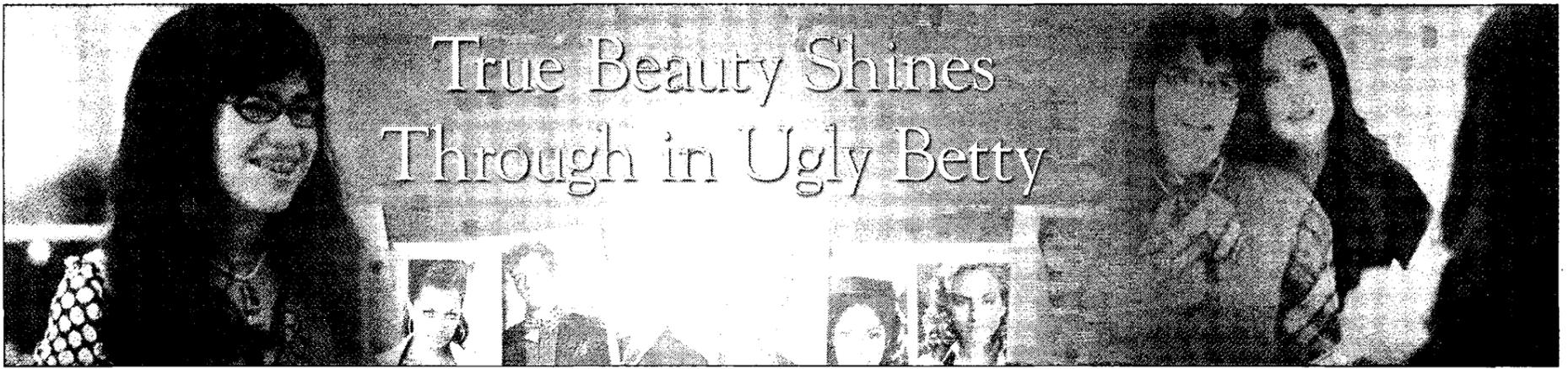


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Jimmy Clausen looks to throw, top left. Geoff Price punts, top right. Evan Sharpley tries to evade Georgia tech linebacker Gary Guyton, middle. Irish linebacker John Ryan chases Georgia Tech running back Tashard Choice, bottom right. Demetrius Jones gets ready to take a snap, bottom left.



OBSERVER GRAPHIC | Jared Wafer

By **CASSIE BELEK**
Assistant Scene Editor

For a freshman series to achieve such tremendous success is rare, but it's easy to understand when the show is as beautiful as "Ugly Betty." Season One is 23 campy and colorful episodes of a series that was adapted from the Colombian telenovela "Betty la fea" by executive producers Silvio Horta and Salma Hayek.

Season One finds perky Betty Suarez (America Ferrera) from Queens adapting to a new environment of skinnier stilettos and even skinnier co-workers and models when she lands an assistant job for new Mode editor-in-chief Daniel Meade (Eric Mabius). At first, Betty is judged for her unibrow and metal mouth, but Betty loves so deeply and thinks so positively that she becomes a true force to be reckoned with.

The success of the show can be traced to the humorous dichotomy between Betty's work and home lives. Mode is cold, glamorous and catty while the Suarez home is warm, cluttered and loving. At Mode, Betty must ward off

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foes like fellow assistants Marc (Michael Urie) and Amanda (Becki Newton) and the ice queen, Wilhelmina Slater (Vanessa Williams). Queens is her home and haven with father Ignacio (Tony Plana), sister Hilda (Ana Ortiz) and nephew Justin (Mark Indelicato).

However, not everyone at Mode is merciless, and not everything at home is stress-free. Betty finds allies in boss Daniel, seamstress Christina (Ashley Jensen) and crush Henry (Christopher Gorham). Meanwhile, Betty must deal with a whole gamut of issues in Queens — she's always in her pretty sister's shadow, she can't seem to hold on to her relationship with boyfriend Walter (Kevin Sussman) and her father suddenly reveals that he is an illegal immi-

grant. The series strikes a perfect balance between Betty's two worlds so that we never tire of the settings and characters. But as the season progresses and the two worlds become less and less mutually exclusive, Betty undergoes a transformation that confuses her and causes its own set of problems. She's still that girl from Queens, but more and more Manhattan creeps into her everyday.

In the midst of all its one-liners and fashion crises, "Betty" confronts a variety of social issues not seen on many other series today — Betty's father faces deportation, Justin is a young boy who may be gay, Marc struggles with coming

out to his mother, and in the world of Mode, everyone must grapple with body image.

"Betty" isn't flawless. As the season progresses, the episodes end on less and less positive notes. The comedy remains, but at times, "Betty" is consumed by darkness and drama. That warm, fuzzy feeling we used to get at the end of every episode becomes more rare, and some subplots are even yawn-worthy, but there is enough comedy and brightness in each episode to draw us quickly back in.

The DVD extras offer behind-the-scenes featurettes, deleted scenes and a blooper reel. Disappointingly, only four episodes have audio commentary. For a show that's achieved such success, there certainly could have been more to say about making individual episodes. However, to focus on the season's shortcomings would be to miss its beauty and humor. "Ugly Betty" is one of the best series on television, and lead actress America Ferrera shines as a new role model for young girls.

As you might expect, "Betty" has all the camp of a typical run-of-the-mill telenovela, but its characters and situations are grounded firmly in reality. No character consists of just a one-dimensional stereotype, and the fact that we care for each one is a testament to the extraordinary talents of everyone involved with the show. Just like its eponymous character, "Ugly Betty" is a fabulous and funny show, and with its first season finished the series is off to a beautiful start.

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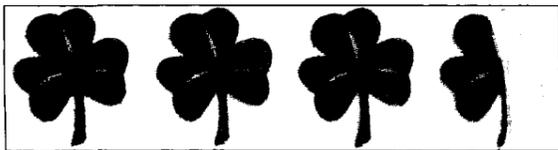
Justin Suarez (Mark Indelicato) stars in a production of "West Side Story."



Betty's sister Hilda (Ana Ortiz) has recently enrolled in beauty school.

Ugly Betty: Season One

Starring: America Ferrera, Vanessa Williams, Ana Ortiz, Daniel Meade



Mode vs. Home: Betty struggles to balance her professional life with her personal one.



Daniel Meade (Eric Mabius) chases women while holding Mode together.



Wilhelmina Slater (Vanessa Williams) plots to take over Mode.



Amanda Tanen (Becki Newton) is known for her witchy comments.



Betty Suarez (America Ferrera) works hard both at home and the office.

MLB

Blue Jays hand reeling Mariners ninth-straight defeat

Glavine outduels Smoltz as Mets sweep Braves; Ankiel's homer leads Cardinals over Reds in NL Central battle

Associated Press

TORONTO — Manager John McLaren is amazed that a nine-game losing streak hasn't killed Seattle's playoff hopes.

Matt Stairs and Gregg Zaun each hit two-run homers, A.J. Burnett pitched seven sharp innings and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Mariners 6-4 on Sunday, the nine-game losing streak Seattle's longest since an 11-game skid in August 2006.

"We're still in good shape," McLaren said. "It's amazing. We have the ability to streak the other way but we've hit a big bump in the road."

Seattle, which begins a critical three-game series at New York on Monday, has not won since Aug. 24 at Texas, a victory that put the Mariners a season-high 20 games over .500.

The Mariners began the day 6 1/2 games back of the Los Angeles Angels in the AL West.

New York lost to Tampa Bay on Sunday, keeping Seattle two games back of the Yankees in the wild-card race.

"It's not getting any easier and we know that," McLaren said. "All I can say is we've got to fight our way through it. There's no easy way out of this."

Infielder Jose Vidro said the Mariners' season likely rests on the outcome of the coming series in New York.

"It's not been easy these last nine games," he said. "We've got to do it like this it for us."

Felix Hernandez will start against New York on Monday, seeking his third win in four starts.

"We need big Felix to pick us up tomorrow," McLaren said.

Toronto has won seven of its past 10 and, at 70-66, is a season-high four games over .500.

"Everything is kind of clicking right now," Burnett said. "We're hitting, we're playing D

and the pitching staff is doing a good job."

Burnett (8-7) retired the first ten batters in order and struck out five of the first six. He allowed three runs and four hits, walked one and struck out seven to win for the first time in three starts.

"He got ahead and when a guy with that kind of stuff gets ahead of you, you know you're in for a dog fight," Raul Ibanez said.

Left-hander Scott Downs pitched to two batters in the eighth and right-hander Brian Wolfe finished the inning before Casey Janssen worked a perfect ninth for his fifth save in nine opportunities.

Mets 3, Braves 2

Tom Glavine allowed himself just a "fleeting 15 seconds" Sunday to consider his past in Atlanta and his future in baseball.

"During the course of the game I thought this could be the last time I pitch here," said Glavine, who has said he hasn't decided if he will retire after the season.

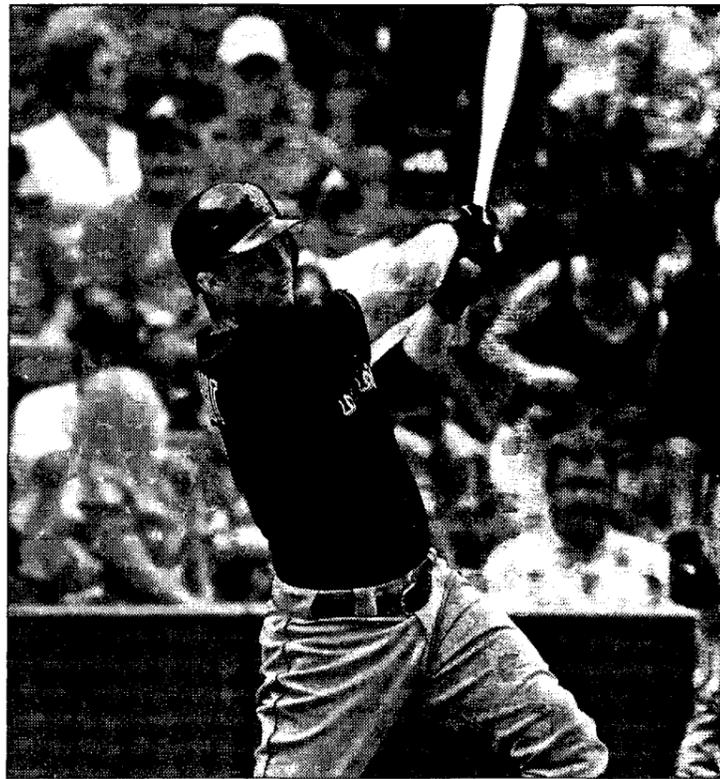
A long-awaited win over longtime teammate and friend John Smoltz, in the midst of a playoff run, could be a fitting Atlanta finale for Glavine.

Backed by David Wright's two-run homer, Glavine won for the first time in four tries this season against Smoltz, beating Atlanta on Sunday as the Mets completed a three-game sweep.

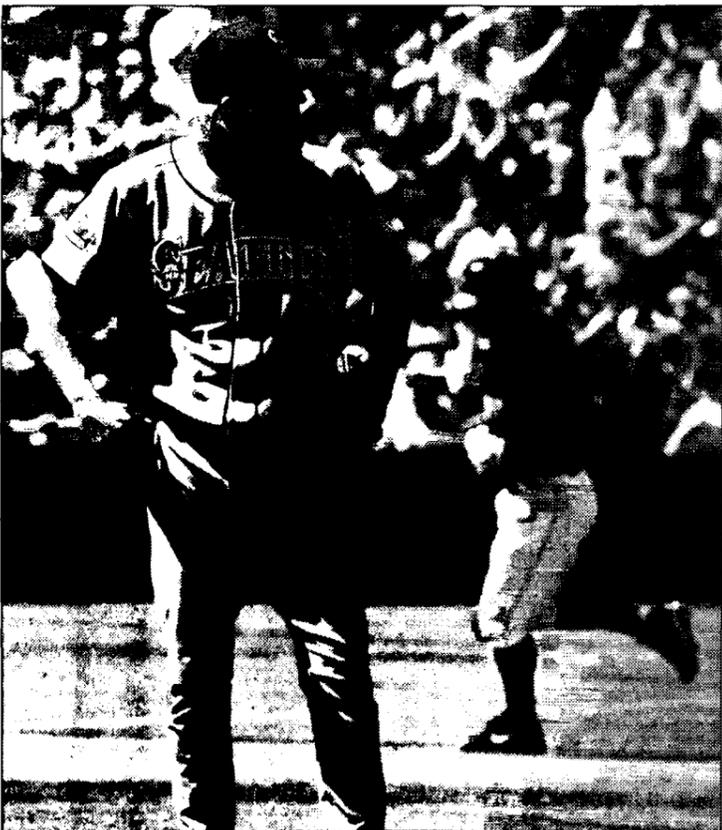
New York, which dropped four straight in Philadelphia and led the Phillies by only two games before this series, recovered to push the NL East lead back to four games.

"We're extremely proud of what we've accomplished," Wright said. "After one of the low points of the year, we hit one of the high points of the year. That was pretty special."

The sweep dropped the Braves 7 1/2 games behind the Mets, their largest deficit of the season. The Braves have lost nine of 12 and are only 22-26 since the All-Star break. Atlanta began the day 6 1/2



Mets third baseman David Wright belts a two-run homer off Braves pitcher John Smoltz in a 3-2 win Sunday.



Seattle pitcher Jeff Weaver reacts after giving up a two-run homer to Toronto catcher Gregg Zaun in a 6-4 loss Sunday.

back in the wild-card race.

"We got our butts kicked," said Chipper Jones, who was 1-for-4. "I just didn't see a ball over the plate the whole series until my last at-bat. That was the one hittable pitch that I got. Those guys were really dealing."

Glavine and Smoltz were teammates in Atlanta from 1988 through the 2002 season. They remain good friends and golf rivals.

"It won't be the last competition between us," Glavine said of Sunday's game. "For bragging rights it was nice to finally beat him. He's certainly had my number."

Cardinals 3, Reds 2

Rick Ankiel homered for the second time in three days to snap a sixth-inning tie, capping a huge weekend series by the former pitcher in the St. Louis Cardinals' victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Sunday.

Braden Loper allowed four

hits in seven scoreless innings and Aaron Miles added an RBI double in the sixth as the Cardinals finally broke through against Bronson Arroyo. Loper (12-10) is 7-1 with an NL-best 1.74 ERA in day games and 4-9 with a 6.52 ERA at night.

The Cardinals are 15-4 in their last 19 games at home and swept the Reds in St. Louis for the first time since 2005, when they closed the final regular season at old Busch Stadium with three straight from Sept. 30-Oct. 2.

The defending World Series champions (67-66) are above .500 for the first time since April 15, when they were 6-5.

Jeff Keppinger's RBI single in the eighth off Ryan Franklin, the third straight hit by the Reds, cut the gap to 3-1. With runners on first and third, Franklin recovered to strike out Ken Griffey Jr. and cleanup hitter Brandon Phillips to end the inning.

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If you go flying back through time, and you see somebody else flying forward into the future, it's probably best to avoid eye contact.

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NCAA Volleyball CSTV/AVCA Coaches Poll

team	record	pts.	previous
1 Nebraska	2-0	1495	1
2 Stanford	1-0	1438	2
3 Penn State	2-0	1382	3
4 USC	3-0	1247	6
5 UCLA	1-1	1230	5
6 Texas	0-2	1208	4
7 Florida	2-0	1158	7
8 Washington	3-0	1086	8
9 Minnesota	1-0	1054	9
10 Wisconsin	3-0	978	11
11 California	3-0	883	12
12 San Diego	1-0	798	15
13 Ohio State	3-0	693	16
14 Duke	3-0	657	18
15 BYU	2-0	546	17
16 Hawai'i	1-2	475	10
17 Purdue	2-1	455	13
18 Cal Poly	2-1	409	14
19 Santa Clara	3-0	350	24
20 Michigan	3-0	343	NR
21 Oklahoma	3-0	271	22
22 LSU	3-0	258	23
23 Ohio	2-0	229	25
24 Long Beach State	0-2	156	19
25 Kansas State	3-0	148	NR1

NCAA Women's Soccer Coaches Poll

team
1 North Carolina
2 NOTRE DAME
3 UCLA
4 Portland
5 Texas A&M
6 Florida State
7 Penn State
8 Santa Clara
9 Texas
10 Stanford
11 BC
12 Rutgers
13 Florida
14 Colorado
15 Purdue
16 UConn
17 Virginia
18 Cal
19 Clemson
20 Illinois
21 West Virginia
22 Wake Forest
23 Oklahoma State
24 USC
25 Tennessee

FIBA BASKETBALL



LeBron James leaps for a dunk during USA's 118-81 victory Sunday over Argentina. James led all scorers with 31 points en route to capturing his first gold medal in international play. The win qualifies the U.S. for the 2008 Olympics. AP

U.S. dominates again in gold medal game

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — LeBron James and Carmelo Anthony finally earned the reward that used to await U.S. players.

James scored 31 points, most by an American player in an Olympic qualifier, and the United States capped its dominance in the desert by beating Argentina 118-81 on Sunday to win the FIBA Americas championship.

Then James and Anthony climbed the podium and were given gold medals — a first for the two players whose international careers had consisted of nothing but

bronze.

"I'm tired of bronze," Anthony said. "I'm speechless right now. This is my first time ever winning the gold medal."

Dwight Howard made all seven of his shots and scored 20 points, and Anthony added 16 points for the Americans, who were never challenged while winning 10 games in 12 days and will head to Beijing next summer as one of the favorites.

The Americans averaged 116.7 points in the tournament.

The game was largely meaningless, because both teams had already clinched spots in the

Beijing field by winning semifinal games Saturday. But the Americans didn't let up, remaining perfect in four Olympic qualifiers, including 7-0 against Argentina.

James and Anthony played on teams that finished third in the 2004 Olympics and '06 world championships. The latter disappointment forced the Americans to play in the qualifying tournament this summer, but it proved to be just a minor roadblock.

"I learned that players can throw their egos and personal accolades out the window," James said. "We came here for one

reason and that was to get the gold medal."

James finished the tournament shooting 76 percent from the field — his percentage actually dropped from 76.5 after he made 11 of 15 shots. He was 8-of-11 from 3-point range — another U.S. record — and also led the tournament in that category, hitting 62 per-

cent. "You don't like to single guys out, but LeBron's performance today was one of the best ones in an international game that a U.S. player has had," U.S. coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "He was big-time today."

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IN BRIEF

Americans dominate world gymnastics championships

STUTTGART — The Americans were already planning a little party back at the hotel to celebrate Shayla Worley's 17th birthday. That, though, seemed a tad tame.

So they invited a few thousand of their closest friends to join in on the fun, turning the world gymnastics championships into their very own bash.

"There's no better gift than to be able to compete at a world championships on your birthday," Worley said. "Well, maybe competing at the Olympics. We'll have to work on that for next year."

China, Romania, Russia — the rest of the gymnastics world can consider itself warned. The Americans aren't the same team that gave away the gold medal at last year's worlds. They're deep, they're confident and, man, are they good.

Mother to miss ninth annual Bowden Bowl

CLEMSON — The Bowden Bowl used to be a can't-miss affair for all members of college football's famous family. These days, the once joyous father vs. son matchup has turned into a game to get past — and much easier for some Bowdens to miss.

"I don't know if my mother's coming," Clemson coach Tommy Bowden said during his weekly news conference.

She isn't, Florida State's athletic department said Friday.

And Ann, the woman who famously wore a half Clemson, half Florida State sweater in the Death Valley stands the first time her husband, Bobby, took on her son's Tigers in 1999, might not be the only Bowden absent Monday night for the ninth Bowden Bowl.

Also unlikely to attend is Tommy's brother, Jeff, who resigned as Florida State's offensive coordinator under harsh criticism for the team's play.

Williams sisters to reunite in U.S. Open semifinals

NORTON, Mass. — The first two days of Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson were a showcase for the PGA Tour playoffs.

Never mind that neither of them were in the lead Sunday at the Deutsche Bank Championship. That belonged to Brett Wetterich, who saved himself with an amazing par and emerged from the pack with an eagle on his way to a 5-under 66 for a one-shot lead over Arron Oberholser (66) on a dynamic afternoon at TPC Boston.

The focus, not to mention the crowds, shifts to Woods and Mickelson in a Labor Day finish. The longtime rivals will be paired in the final round for the first time since the 2005 Ford Championship at Doral.

But if they didn't already have enough history, Lefty added some more spice.

NCAA FOOTBALL

Division I-AA Appalachian State shocks Michigan

Associated Press

ANN ARBOR — Chances are, most of the 110,000 fans at the Big House had no idea exactly where Appalachian State is located.

By the time they saw a blocked field goal in final seconds, this much was certain: The little Mountaineers pulled off one of the greatest upsets in college football history.

Appalachian State 34, No. 5 Michigan 32.

The team from Boone, N.C., took the lead with 26 seconds left when Julian Rauch kicked a 24-yard field goal. Corey Lynch blocked a 37-yard try on the final play, and the Mountaineers sealed a jaw-dropping upset that might have no equal.

"It was David versus Goliath," Appalachian State receiver Dexter Jackson said.

Michigan's three stars on offense and its coach came back this season, putting the NFL and retirement on hold, with high hopes.

Big Ten title. National championship.

Looks like it might be time for Plan B.

Mike Hart, Chad Henne and Jake Long never envisioned stumbling this early in what was a promising year.

Neither did coach Lloyd Carr, who looked ashen as the upset unfolded.

It didn't take long to notice the second-tier power belonged on the same field because it made up for a slight size disadvantage with superi-

or speed and, perhaps, more passion.

The two-time defending champions from former Division I-AA were ahead of the nation's winningest program 28-14 late in the second quarter, before their storybook afternoon seemed to unravel late in the fourth quarter.

Hart's 54-yard run with 4:36 left put the Wolverines ahead for the first time since early in the second quarter.

One snap after the go-ahead touchdown, Michigan's Branden Englemon intercepted an errant pass, but the Wolverines couldn't capitalize and had their first of two field goals blocked.

Then Appalachian State drove 69 yards without a timeout in 1:11 to set up the go-ahead field goal.

"I've been dreaming about that kick every day," Rauch said.

Still, it wasn't over.

Henne threw a 46-yard pass to Mario Manningham, giving Michigan the ball at Appalachian State's 20 with 6 seconds left and putting the Wolverines in position to win it with a field goal.

Lynch blocked the kick and almost returned 52 yards to the 18 as the final seconds ticked off. His teammates rushed across the field to pile on as the coaching staff and cheerleaders jumped with joy.

"We're still sort of shocked," coach Jerry Moore said after being carried off the field by his players.

Appalachian State has won



Appalachian State receiver Dexter Jackson celebrates with teammate Hans Batichon after a touchdown in Saturday's 34-32 upset of No. 5 Michigan.

15 straight games, the longest streak in the nation. The Mountaineers are favored to win the Football Championship Subdivision, but they weren't expected to put up much of a fight against a team picked to win the Big Ten and contend for the national title.

That's the beauty of college football.

No Division I-AA team had beaten a team ranked in The Associated Press poll from 1989-2006, and it's unlikely that it had ever happened before. The Division I subdivi-

sions were created in 1978.

"It is one of the biggest losses ever, but give all the credit to Appalachian State," Hart said.

The Mountaineers are not eligible to receive votes in the AP Top 25 poll because they're not in the Football Bowl Subdivision.

Appalachian State's win does seem to trump the game second-tier programs used to regard as their crowning achievement — The Citadel's season-opening win in 1992 over Arkansas that led to the

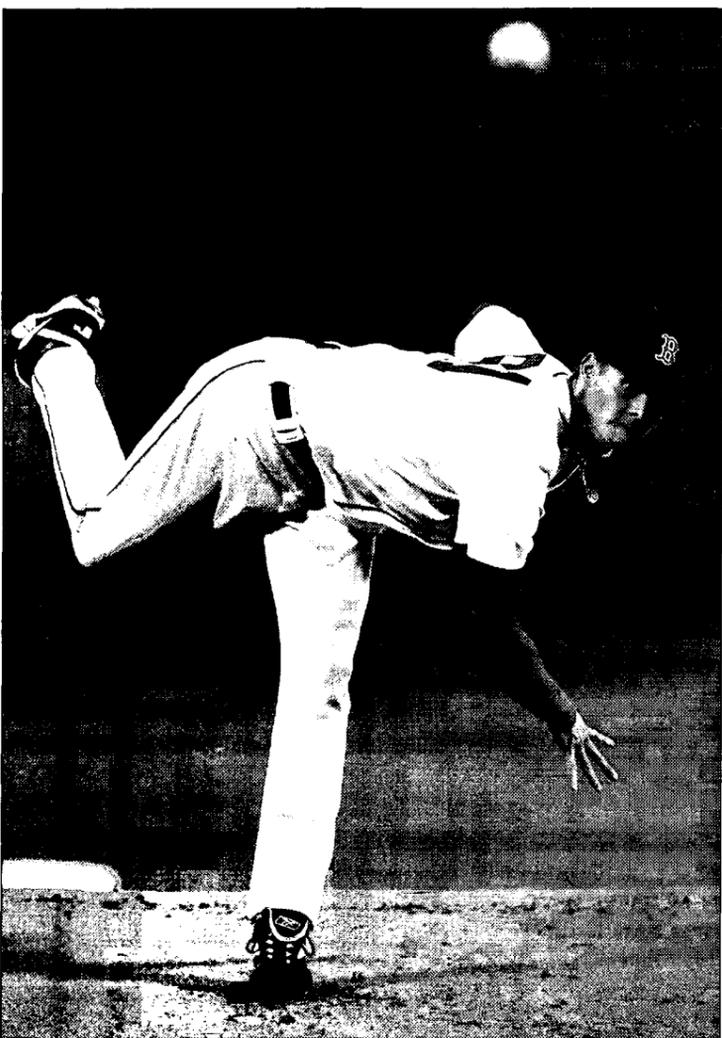
firing of Razorbacks coach Jack Crowe following the game.

Carr will not get fired after this upset, but he might be wishing he had retired after last season when the Wolverines won 11 games before closing with losses to Ohio State and USC.

When it was over, he didn't second-guess decisions to go for 2-point conversions twice in the final 15-plus minutes, but did lament many mistakes, penalties and missed opportunities.

MLB

Red Sox rookie Buchholz throws no-hitter against Orioles



Boston rookie pitcher Clay Buchholz delivers in the first inning of Saturday's no-hitter and 10-0 win over Baltimore.

Associated Press

BOSTON — Before Clay Buchholz made his major league debut two weeks ago, the Boston Red Sox told him he was going back to the minors — even if he pitched a no-hitter.

Got to keep the kid now.

The 23-year-old rookie pitched that no-hitter in just his second outing, using a dazzling three-pitch assortment of fastballs, curves and changeups to beat the Baltimore Orioles 10-0 Saturday night.

"There's no going back to Triple-A," Red Sox manager Terry Francona said.

Buchholz was called up from Pawtucket on Saturday when teams were allowed to expand their 25-man rosters.

The crowd stood through the entire ninth inning, cheering every pitch and taking pictures of the righty in his windup and as he paced around the mound.

He started the inning by striking out Brian Roberts on a 93 mph fastball. A groan rose from the stands when Corey Patterson hit a line drive to center with one out, but Coco Crisp easily moved over to catch it.

Buchholz started Nick Markakis with a ball, then went ahead 1-2 when the batter fouled one off with a check swing. The crowd grew even louder, the flashes were constant, and Buchholz threw a 77 mph curveball that Markakis watched go by.

Plate umpire Joe West hesitated, but catcher Jason Varitek rose from his crouch to run to the mound. The rest of the Red Sox soon joined him there, and David Ortiz enveloped the rookie in a bear hug.

"He's somebody you don't want to see running at you, full-speed," Buchholz said.

No one stopped cheering until Buchholz appeared on the scoreboard for a television interview, and the fans hushed to try to hear him. But when "Clay Buchholz, No-hitter" appeared on the message board, the ballpark erupted anew.

The closest the Orioles came to a hit was when Miguel Tejada led off the seventh with a sharp grounder up the middle. Second baseman Dustin Pedroia raced to his right and dove. He backhanded the ball, stood up and fired to Tejada, who slid in headfirst.

"I jumped up as fast as I could and I threw it as hard as I could," Pedroia said.

Buchholz jumped but missed the ball.

"I was thinking it was over," Buchholz said. "When he made that play I knew something was meant to happen tonight. It was an incredible moment in my life."

The final pitch was his 115th, 21 more than his longest outing of 20, even if he had a no-hitter, he would have been taken out, general manager Theo Epstein said.

Mike Lowell scoffed at the notion.

"If there's two outs in the ninth, Theo would have had to come down there and had to take him out himself," he said.

Francona spoke to Epstein after the seventh and eighth innings.

"He wasn't a whole lot of help," Francona said. "We feel like we have a huge responsibility to this kid. But somebody else would have had to put on a uniform and take him out because that would have been very difficult."

Buchholz, who turned 23 on Aug. 14, pitched the third no-hitter of the season — following Mark Buehrle of the Chicago White Sox against Texas on April 18 and Justin Verlander of Detroit against Milwaukee on June 12.

Buchholz (2-0) became the 17th rookie to throw a no-hitter. The last one to do it was Florida's Anibal Sanchez, a former Red Sox prospect traded for Josh Beckett and Mike Lowell, against Arizona last Sept. 6.

The Boston newcomer became the third pitcher since 1900 to throw a no-hitter in his first or second major league start, according to the Elias Sports Bureau. Bobo Holloman did it in his first start on May 6, 1953, for the St. Louis Browns at home against the Philadelphia Athletics, and Wilson Alvarez did it in his second start on Aug. 11, 1991, for the Chicago White Sox at Baltimore.

SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles win season opener, finish fourth in tournament

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

The Belles opened their 2007 season this weekend with a fourth-place finish at the Monmouth College Volleyball Invitational.

Saint Mary's began the year on a high note by taking down Robert Morris 3-1 (30-25, 30-24, 30-18). The Colonials finished the six-team tournament in last place after losing to Hannibal-LaGrange and Loras.

The Belles also took on Loras in their second and final match of pool play, and fell in four games (21-30, 30-17, 30-24, 30-25). Loras then went on to defeat Principia, 3-2, to take home the championship.

Saint Mary's took on the host team, Monmouth, in its consolation game. The Belles won the opening match (30-20), but lost the next three (30-27, 30-26, 30-19) and finished fourth in the tournament.

Although the Belles came up short in their final two games, head coach Julie

Schroeder-Biek called the tournament a success.

"I felt this was a great opener for us. We got a glimpse of our potential as a team, which is very exciting," Schroeder-Biek said. "There were also areas that were exposed that we need to work on, the good thing is that those areas are things we can fix."

The Belles hope to fix those problems this week before beginning conference play.

"This is an incredibly important week for us, opening up with our conference play against Adrian College on Tuesday and then Hope College on Thursday," Schroeder-Biek said. "We will be working on tightening up our defensive positioning and finding our connections on offense."

She was also excited about

the young talent that just joined the team.

"I am so excited for this season," Schroeder-Biek said. "We have strong talent returning and strong talent in our two new additions to the squad, freshman middle hitter Andrea Sasgen and freshman outside hitter Jacee Watson."

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Julie Schroeder-Biek
Belles coach

One key player and returning talent Schroeder-Biek mentioned is sophomore outside hitter Lorna Slupczynski. Slupczynski, the 2006 Freshman of the Year, was named to the all-tournament team for her performance in the three games and is expected to be a great asset for the Belles this year as she steps in to replace 2007 graduate Kristen Playko.

The Belles hit the courts again Tuesday night at 7 with MIAA conference play against Adrian College in Adrian, Mich. Saint Mary's dropped both conference matches against the Bulldogs last season, and will look to improve on last year's fourth-place MIAA finish.

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Julie Schroeder-Biek
Belles coach

SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Saint Mary's takes title at Tri-State Invitational

Belles runners take five of top nine times; freshman Wieczorek places first in debut

By KATE ARNOLD
Sports Writer

Back on the course for the first time this year, the Belles shone bright at Saturday's 5K Tri-State Invitational held in Angola, Ind., taking first place.

The top five runners on the team all placed no lower than ninth, posting a total of 27 points, resulting in a win over Grace College and Tri-State University.

Freshman Sam Wieczorek picked up a first-place finish in her first collegiate race with a time of 21:58.

"She's a very mentally tough, determined, feisty girl," coach and former Belles runner Jackie Bauters said.

"This race set the tone for her season. I expect her to be up front, scoring for us."

Wieczorek did not have to wait long at the finish line to celebrate with her teammates as sophomore Megan McClowry crossed the finish line 40 seconds later for a time of 22:37. Fellow freshmen Anne Maguire, Olenka Bilyk

and Catie Salyer also looked impressive as they all placed in the top 10 with times of 22:52, 23:08 and 23:12, respectively.

A productive off-season was the key to the Belles great start this year.

"Over the summer everybody had training workouts and did their own thing," Bauters said. "The girls came in good shape, just where I wanted them."

The team needed to be at peak performance to tackle the course at Tri-State.

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Jackie Bauters
Belles coach

"It was a difficult course, so it's typically slow" Bauters said. "The competition was okay. It was nice to race against conference teams, although it wasn't particularly tough competition."

The Belles will face a bit faster course — and faster teams — next week when they travel to Grand Rapids, Mich., for the Aquinas College Invitational.

The race is scheduled to begin Friday at 4 p.m.

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U.S. OPEN

Williams sisters power into U.S. Open quarters

Associated Press

When you hear about Serena and Venus Williams overpowering opponents, as happened Sunday at the U.S. Open to two recent Grand Slam finalists, it's easy to forget that the sisters are, indeed, individuals.

And as similar as their on-court styles might seem, all stinging serves and gargantuan groundstrokes, they are not quite carbon copies.

That point was driven home by their father and coach, Richard, who sat courtside for the final game of Serena's 6-3, 6-4 victory over Wimbledon runner-up Marion Bartoli, then watched Venus' 6-4, 6-2 win against French Open runner-up Ana Ivanovic.

"Serena reminds me of a pit bull dog and a young Mike Tyson, all in one," Dad said Sunday. "Venus reminds me of a gazelle that's able to move, prance and jump. Venus looks as if she is really enjoying herself out there more than Serena is right now. If they get by everyone and meet each other, it will be an interesting match."

Another all-Williams showdown is indeed nearing at Flushing Meadows, although unlike six previous meetings for

major titles — Serena leads 5-1 in those finals, Venus leads 7-6 overall — this one would be a semifinal.

"That would be awesome because it would mean that there is a Williams in the final," Venus said. She also noted: "We have one more step."

For Serena, it's a familiar one. She will face No. 1 Justine Henin in the quarterfinals at a third consecutive major, having lost to her at the French Open and Wimbledon.

"Yeah, we know each other pretty well," Henin said after beating No. 15 Dinara Safina 6-0, 6-2 at night. "I know everyone was waiting for that match, and here we are."

The older Williams' quarterfinal opponent will be No. 3 Jelena Jankovic, who defeated No. 19 Sybille Bammer 6-4, 4-6, 6-1. Jankovic won her past three matches against Venus, including at Wimbledon in 2006 and the French Open this year.

No. 2 Rafael Nadal, meanwhile, advanced to the fourth round without a hitch in his step — his taped-up knees have been bothering him — or his game, beating Jo-Wilfried Tsonga 7-6 (3), 6-2, 6-1.

Next up for Nadal is a fellow Spaniard, No. 15 David Ferrer.

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SMC GOLF

Gore leads Belles in debut tourney

By CHRIS DOYEN
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's shot a combined score of 697 this weekend at the Ferris State Invitational in Big Rapids, Mich., to earn a 13th-place tie with Northwood University.

The Belles jumped up one spot in the standing Sunday after finishing the first round of play in 14th.

Senior Katie O'Brien shot a fifteen-over-par 87 in the first round to lead the Belles. Freshman Emily Gore was only one stroke off O'Brien's pace with an 88, freshman Amanda Mainstone shot a 90, and freshman Megan Lehr and junior Perri Hamma both shot 91 to give the Belles a first-round score of 356.

Gore had an impressive second round Sunday, posting a score of 80 that gave her a 168 overall. The rookie's performance was good enough for 45th on the individual leaderboard, the best showing of any Saint Mary's player.

O'Brien, Mainstone and Hamma also had good showings, shooting 88, 86 and 87, respectively, giving the Belles a second round score of 341 and

enabling them to move up into 13th place.

Ferris State won its own tournament with a 40-over-par 616. Ferris State senior Jacqueline Bencoter was the lowest-scoring individual of the tournament, shooting an even 144.

Head coach Mark Hamilton was very pleased with the performance of his freshmen, who fit in nicely with upperclassmen scorers O'Brien and Hamma.

"It helps us a lot," Hamilton said. "They played really well despite it being their first tournament at a difficult course and against tough competition. Emily Gore played especially well [Sunday]."

Hamilton acknowledged, however, that the Belles' performance over the weekend was not quite as good as it could have been.

"We scored a little higher than we would have wanted in the first round," Hamilton said. "The front nine was tough on Saturday. Once everyone got their feet under them, we played really well, but by then the damage was already done."

The Belles begin MIAA conference play next Saturday as they take on Kalamazoo on the road.

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"They played really well despite it being their first tournament."

Mark Hamilton
Belles coach

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me from the bench."

Phillips aided Fesl's effort by recording 15 total kills in the match. Stasiuk also chipped in with 14 kills and eight digs.

The Golden Panthers (3-2) were led by sophomore outside hitters Yarimar Rosa and Olga Vergun. Both players paced the game with 24 and 22 kills, respectively. Rosa was named the Tiger tournament MVP while Vergun also added 13 digs.

The Irish will now return home for the Shamrock

Invitational from Sept. 7-9 in the Joyce Center. The action starts Friday night against the College of Charleston and will continue throughout the weekend when Notre Dame takes on Alabama and No. 23 Ohio Saturday and Sunday, respectively.

Last year the Irish went 2-2 in three busy days while hosting the tournament. The team started with wins over

Valparaiso and Idaho. The team's two losses were to Missouri and No. 6 Santa Clara on the tournament's last day.

"Getting that win under our belts really helps with our confidence."

Megan Fesl
Irish outside hitter

"[The Shamrock Invitational] is another really tough tournament," Fesl said. "Getting that win under our belts really helps with our confidence."

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composed around the [penalty] box," Cinalli said.

Irish coach Randy Waldrum agreed, but added that the team would rebound after the tie.

"We created way too many chances not to be effective," Waldrum said. "It's not going to kill us but it's not how we wanted to do."

The best Irish chance came early in the second half when freshman midfielder Lauren Fowlkes headed the ball off the crossbar. After Fowlkes' chance, which was set up by junior forward Kerri Hanks' free kick, the Irish continued to pressure the Wolverines until they appeared to run out of gas in overtime.

Sophomore Michelle Weissenhofer set up the attack with several shots that narrowly missed, as well as long throw-ins that gave the Irish a number of other golden opportunities.

But the Irish began to tire as regulation ended and the game headed into overtime.

Waldrum attributed his team's fatigue to the fact that he was forced to use his key players for more time than he would have preferred.

"We changed a lot [of players with seventeen minutes left] in the first half," Waldrum said. "The players we wanted out there had to play a lot more minutes than we would have wanted."

Two Irish goalkeepers, sophomore Kelsey Lysander and Nikki Weiss, combined for the shutout, although each had to make just one save behind a team that possessed the ball for most of the contest.

Notre Dame 2, Florida 0

Junior defender Elise Weber notched a goal and an assist as the visiting Irish bounced back to take down No. 7 Florida 2-0 Sunday in Gainesville.

Notre Dame weathered a four-and-a-half hour rain delay before facing off with the Gators. The wait did not affect the Irish, who were hungry to get back on the field following Friday's tie with the Wolverines.

The game was Notre Dame's 21st shutout in its last 29 games. The team was able to

keep Florida off of the scoreboard despite being outshot 11-4 by the Gators.

Junior midfielder Brittany Bock opened the scoring less than seven minutes into the contest when she headed a cross from Weber into the left side of the net.

Weber then tallied a goal of her own in the 65th minute to give Notre Dame some breathing room. After receiving a pass from junior forward Kerri Hanks outside the penalty box, she beat one defender, then skipped a shot past Gators goalkeeper Katie Fraire.

But the extra score was more of a cushion than the Irish and senior goalie Lauren Karas would need. While only saving one shot on goal, Karas helped Notre Dame overcome a 6-2 corner-kick deficit and kept Florida from finding the back of the net.

The win marked Notre Dame's 27th straight regular season match without a loss, a streak that dates back to the 2005 season.

The team could not be reached for comment.

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Junior Rebecca Mendoza attacks a loose ball during Notre Dame's 0-0 tie with Michigan Friday night at Alumni Field. The tie snapped a 32-game home winning streak.

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Yoshinaga on a give-and-go, and after getting the return pass, Brovsky played the ball in to senior forward Joseph Lapira. With his back to the goal just six yards out, Lapira laid the ball back to an onrushing Yoshinaga, who blasted it home.

"It was a good game," Clark said. "We played very well against one of the best college teams, and it was good for that reason."

Notre Dame had almost won the game in regulation, but UCLA defender Chance Myers scored off a free kick with only 38 sec-

onds remaining. The sequence was reminiscent of Notre Dame's game against Indiana one year ago in the Credit Union Classic when the Hoosiers tied the game at four on a penalty kick in the last minute.

"It was kind of déjà vu," Clark said. "I told them you won the game in regulation. Go out and win it again, and that's what they did. We showed a lot of spirit and a lot of character."

Besides his assist on Yoshinaga's goal, Lapira also tallied his first official of the season when he scored in the 24th minute. The goal came after a flurry of Irish chances, including a shot from senior forward Kurt Martin that was deflected by Bruin goalkeeper Brian Perk, and another from sophomore

midfielder Justin Morrow that went just wide.

While the majority of the action occurred late in Notre Dame's game against UCLA, the scoring started early Sunday afternoon against Maryland.

Only five minutes into the game, junior Graham Zusi took a pass from sophomore Jeremy Hall and deposited the ball past Irish keeper Andrew Quinn to give Maryland a 1-0 lead.

The Terrapins almost doubled their advantage 11 minutes later when Quinn's clear of a cross went to Maryland's Anthony Wallace, whose shot sailed just over the crossbar.

Four minutes before halftime, the Terrapins found the back of the net again. The play started when midfielder Stephen King sent a cross in from the endline, and midfielder Drew Yates collected the ball and slotted it into the lower left corner of the Irish goal.

"I thought we were getting into the game pretty well in the first 10 to 15 minutes, but just as we were getting into the game, they got the second goal," Clark said.

While the Terrapins had plenty of early chances, Notre Dame did not register a shot on goal in the first. Throughout the game, the Irish managed only three shots to Maryland's 17.

Sunday was the first time in 15 games that Notre Dame was shut out. That last happened on Sept. 20, 2006, when the Irish tied Northern Illinois 0-0.

The Irish will return home next weekend for the Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament to take on Rhode Island and No. Illinois.

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the advantage in possession throughout the game, so it didn't take us long to regroup."

And regroup they did, as junior midfielder Whitney Fron notched the game winner in the 85th minute, just over two minutes after Case Western had tied the score.

"It was encouraging to see them respond in such a positive way," MacKenzie said.

Mahoney recorded three saves while earning the victory.

Sunday's game was slightly less dramatic, but the result was just as positive for Saint Mary's.

The Belles defeated Lawrence with a balanced scoring attack. Freshman midfielder Julia Gragtmans scored off a pass from sophomore midfielder Katie Wehrli in the 40th minute for the 1-0 lead. Sophomore midfielder Corissa Hart then scored an unassisted goal in the 51st minute, and Gragtmans assisted on a goal by Hinton in the final minute of the game.

Sophomore Patty Duffy recorded five saves in goal and was replaced in the 77th

minute by freshman Kristin Rhoa, who was not tested by any Lawrence shots.

"We're still feeling that out," said MacKenzie about using three goalkeepers in two games. "All three did well, so we're still in wait-and-see mode. It's a good problem to have."

Whoever earns the job as starting goalkeeper will have a very proficient defense

playing in front of them.

"Our defense was very solid," MacKenzie said. "We were difficult to maneuver past or go over the top of. We were very organized and communicated

"We don't need to rely on one or two individuals to get it done, and we demonstrated that quite well."

Caryn MacKenzie
Belles coach

well, and our outside defenders made some nice runs out of the back."

MacKenzie was also encouraged by the balanced offense, as four different players scored the team's five goals over the weekend.

"That's one of the things we talked about heading into the tournament," she said. "We don't need to rely on one or two individuals to get it done, and we demonstrated that quite well."

The Belles will try to ride this wave of momentum when they host Manchester in their home opener Wednesday.

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Senior forward Kurt Martin shoots during a 2-0 win over DePaul Oct. 25 last season. Martin has scored twice so far in 2007.

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(1995, 90 minutes)

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(1992, 45 minutes)

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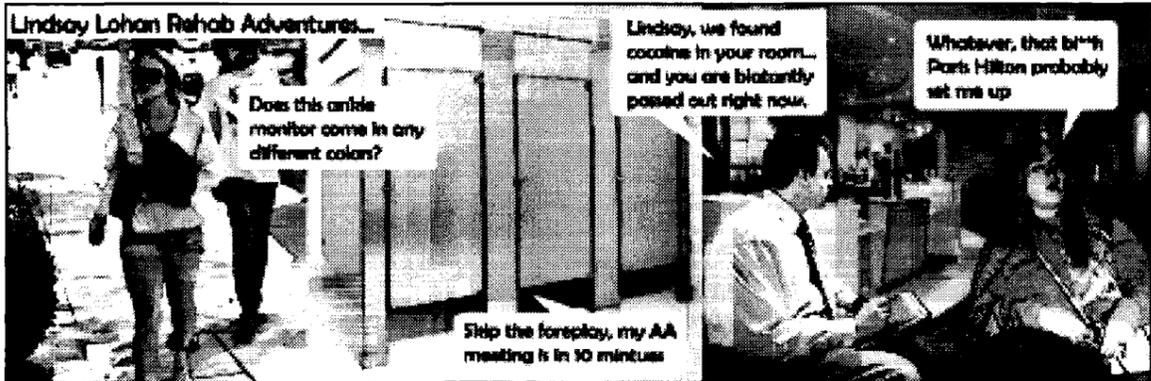
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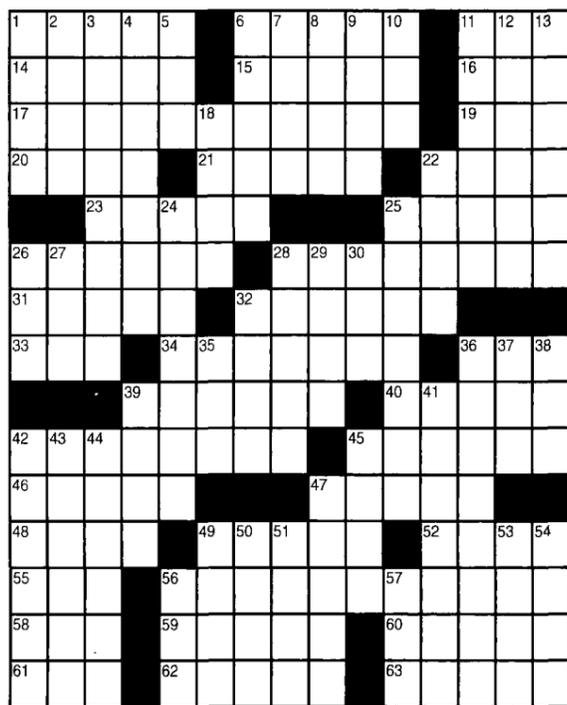


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 - 33 Twisted, as humor
 - 34 Source of disruption to satellites
 - 36 "My man!"
 - 39 Disobeys
 - 40 Letter-shaped skyscraper support
 - 42 Sleeveless shirts
 - 45 Strained relations?
 - 46 Bakery fixtures
 - 47 Goad
 - 48 Moist, as morning grass
 - 49 Los Angeles's San ___ Bay
 - 52 Mayberry lad
 - 55 Santa ___ winds
 - 56 Gotham tabloid
 - 58 Yank
 - 59 Kennel club classification
 - 60 Guy
 - 61 Wide shoe spec
- Down**
- 1 Pepper's partner
 - 2 "Peek-___"
 - 3 Jerry Lewis telethon time
 - 4 Andrew Carnegie corp.
 - 5 Investigator: Abbr.
 - 6 Reef material
 - 7 Steals, with "off"
 - 8 Skin cream ingredient
 - 9 New Jersey hoopsters
 - 10 Places to see M.D.'s in a hurry
 - 11 Company behind nylon and Teflon
 - 12 Georges who composed "Romanian Rhapsodies"
 - 13 "Little" shepherdess of children's verse
 - 18 Daredevil Knievel
 - 22 Serpentine sound
 - 24 Droopy-eared hounds
 - 25 Rink activity
 - 26 This instant
 - 27 Bobby ___, the only N.H.L.'er to win the Hart, Norris, Ross and Smythe trophies in the same year
 - 28 Points on a diamond?
 - 29 Roadies' loads
 - 30 Corporate V.I.P.



Puzzle by Randall J. Hartman

- 32 Salon sound
- 35 Roswell sighting
- 36 Tall, skinny guy
- 37 Like vegetables in salads
- 38 Mantra syllables
- 39 Designer letters
- 41 Knee-slapping goof
- 42 Thus far
- 43 Street
- 44 Music genre for Enya
- 45 Aviation pioneer Sikorsky
- 47 Wash away, as soil
- 49 Andean land
- 50 Pitcher
- 51 Turns red, perhaps
- 53 "Survivor" setting, sometimes
- 54 And others, briefly
- 56 Peacock network
- 57 Col. Sanders's chain

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

STEPFATHER MANS
 NINEONEONE AMOI
 ATTENDANTS NOTE
 PLENTYMORE IRAS
 PINS EROTICIST
 ENT STREP COSTA
 AGELESS YVETTES
 AAA LAT
 ANTWERP TAXICAB
 SEALA RIODE LTR
 SUPERHERO SOTO
 ITIS OPERAMUSIC
 GROS HANDCAMERA
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Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

GYNAM
 ○ ○ ○ ○

UPYPP
 ○ ○ ○ ○

GIPNAY
 ○ ○ ○ ○

GLINJE
 ○ ○ ○ ○

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



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

Answer: "○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○"

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: PIECE BEIGE ENJOIN PRIMER
 Answer: To many, when marriage is mentioned, it has a — NICE "RING" TO IT

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EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Salma Hayek, 41; Lennox Lewis, 42; Keanu Reeves, 43; Jimmy Connors, 55

Happy Birthday: Don't deny yourself the chance to participate because you have had bad experiences in the past. Forget what's already happened and plunge ahead. Your efforts will not go unnoticed or be denied if you are direct and refrain from taking on too much. Your numbers are 16, 20, 22, 36, 39, 47

ARIES (March 21-April 19): There are deals to be made, so draw up proposals and expand on your thoughts. Love is in the picture but leave your romantic plans until the end of the day. It will result in a more playful evening. 3 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Get out and mingle and you will meet someone who can help you move forward with an idea that has been at a standstill. It could very well turn into a profitable pursuit. Money is in the picture. 3 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Focus on having fun and spending time with friends but don't go overboard. Keep your flirtatious ways to a minimum and don't make impulsive decisions. 3 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Help is on the way if you need it but it's really more about what you can do for others. Your time and effort will not go unnoticed or be un-rewarded. 4 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): There is a great deal to be said about your ability to host and entertain but don't let anyone take advantage of your kindness and generosity. Don't get mad or indignant but protect yourself from users and hangers-on. 2 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): For once in a long time, you appear to have everything falling into place. The unexpected will enhance what you are trying to do, so welcome change. 5 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Get involved in a sure thing. Look at real estate or develop a business plan or concept with a partner who can complement your own attributes. Things are looking up and change is heading your way. 5 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Finish what you started but don't be afraid to present what you have done to date. Time is of the essence and you must be willing to share what you have to offer. You'll be surprised by the response and help you get. 3 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will learn a lot if you listen to what others have to say. Attending a seminar or conference will result in a new attitude or approach to something you want to pursue. Keep your expenses to a minimum. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A chance to put an end to a pending problem will come into play and result in your getting more than expected. Money is heading your way. Don't be afraid to do things a little differently. 5 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Expect a lecture if someone who cares about you thinks you have not been living up to your potential. There is probably a valuable lesson to be learned. 2 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): If you let others get involved in your plans, you will lose control and that can lead to disaster. Keep things in perspective. 4 stars

Birthday Baby: You are strong, stubborn and resourceful. You are willing to take on whatever comes your way with courage and determination. You are aggressive and productive.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Starting with a bang

Yoshinaga scores in overtime to defeat No. 1 UCLA Friday

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

You can add another first to the Notre Dame program under Bobby Clark.

After directing the Irish in a season that featured their first ever quarterfinal appearance in the NCAA Tournament last year and their first Hermann Trophy winner, Joseph Lapira, Clark led Notre Dame to its first-ever win over the No. 1 team in the country.

Notre Dame defeated top-ranked UCLA 2-1 in overtime Friday night in its first game of the adidas/IU Credit Union Classic before falling 3-0 to No. 7 Maryland Sunday afternoon.

Heading into their game with UCLA, the Irish were 0-5-0 against teams ranked No. 1 since 1990. Senior midfielder Alex Yoshinaga made sure that record didn't fall to 0-6-0 when he found the back of the net for a "golden goal" just four minutes into the first overtime period.

The play started when freshman Jeb Brovsky connected with



JENNIFER KANG/The Observer

Senior goalkeeper Chris Cahill passes during a 4-1 win over Georgetown Oct. 7 last season. Cahill had four saves in Notre Dame's 2-1 overtime victory over No. 1 UCLA Friday night.

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SMC SOCCER

Belles win tourney to begin year

By CHRIS DOYEN
Sports Writer

The Belles made a late rally to win the first game of a two-game tournament and followed it up with a dominant victory in the finale to take first place for the weekend.

The Belles defeated hosts Case Western 2-1 Saturday and Lawrence University 3-0 on Sunday to win the Case Western Invitational in Cleveland.

In Saturday's game, junior forward Lauren Hinton got a shot past Case Western goalkeeper Kirsten McClain in the 14th minute for the early 1-0 lead. The Belles held that margin for nearly 70 minutes until Case Western's Kaitlyn Yule scored her team's only goal, beating Saint Mary's goalkeeper Amy Mahoney.

"It took us about 30 seconds to register the fact that we still had time to play," head coach Caryn MacKenzie said. "We had

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Michigan forces 0-0 draw

ND beats Florida 2-0 after tie Friday night at Alumni Field

By FRAN TOLAN
Sports Writer

Despite outshooting Michigan 28-6 and keeping the ball on the visitors' side of the field for nearly the entire second half of regulation, the Irish played the Wolverines to a scoreless draw at Alumni Field Friday night.

In front of a crowd of 3,264, Michigan junior goalkeeper Madison Gates racked up a career-high 10 saves while keeping the host Irish from extending a home winning streak that had reached 32 games. The streak is tied for the third longest in NCAA history.

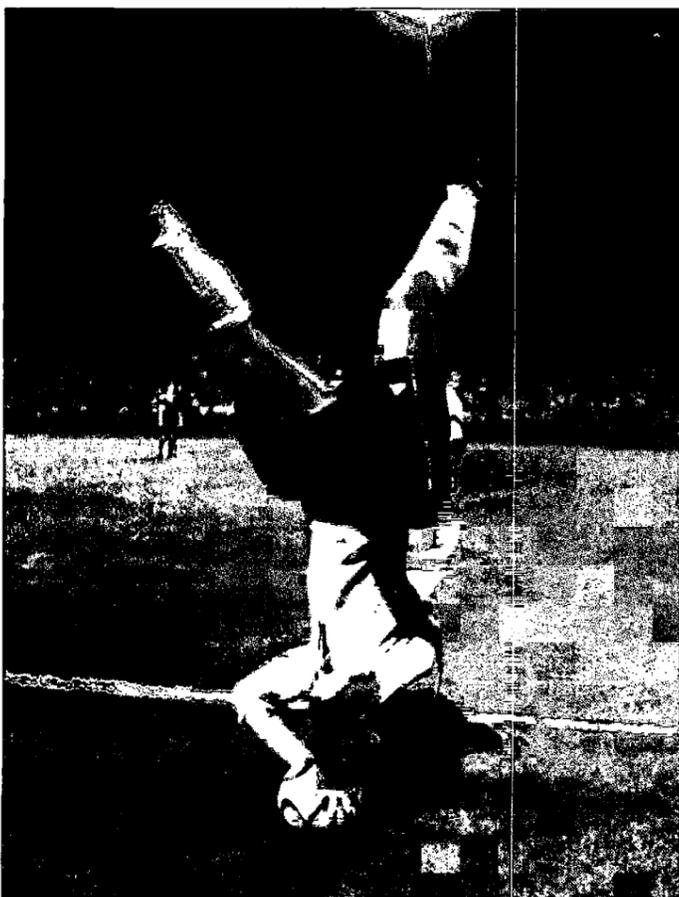
"It feels like a loss," Irish senior captain Amanda Cinalli said.

Notre Dame pressured the Wolverines enough to earn 10 corner kicks and several free kicks just outside the penalty box, but Gates was able to turn away every set piece opportunity.

The Irish also sent a number of shots just over or wide of the goal.

"We have to focus more on finishing and focus on being

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ALLISON AMBROSE/The Observer

Sophomore forward Michele Weissenhofer completes one of her trademark throw-ins during a 0-0 tie Friday with Michigan.

ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish take down FIU for first season victory

Team goes 1-1 at Tiger Invite after dropping first game to Mizzou

By PAT O'BRIEN
Sports Writer

A weekend after losing their first home opener in 17 years, the Irish split two matches on the road to get a tally in the win column. Notre Dame (1-3) defeated FIU 3-2 (28-30, 30-27, 21-30, 30-24, 15-9) in the Tiger Invitational in



Fesl

Columbia, Mo., after a 3-0 (31-29, 30-25, 30-23) loss to the host school.

The Missouri game featured four Irish players who tallied double digit kills. Sophomore outside hitter Megan Fesl led the way with 14 kills, while junior middle blocker Justine Stremick had 13 kills and five blocks.

Sophomore outside hitter

Serinity Phillips recorded 11 kills. Senior outside hitter Adrianna Stasiuk had 10 kills to go along with 21 digs.

The Tigers (3-2) were led by senior outside hitter Na Yang, who connected on 22 kills with only one error. Missouri also received major contributions from two of their sophomore stars. Outside hitter Julianna Klein recorded her second career double-double with 13 kills and 11 digs, and setter Lei Wang helped out with 38 assists.

The Irish made a comeback the following day to secure the win over Florida International. Down two games to one, Notre Dame found itself tied at 15.

From that point the Irish never looked back as Fesl recorded six of her team-high 20 kills for the 30-24 victory. The Irish continued their dominance by posting a 15-9 decision in the deciding game, leading the entire way.

"The whole team felt really good," Fesl said. "Our coaches and players made really good scouting reports. [Mallorie Croall] has been injured, and she really helped

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