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Emergency notifications tested

Text security system requires student response; Connect-ED will send messages via cell phones

By MARCELA BERRIOS
Associate News Editor

Notre Dame sent out a wave of text messages to more than 75 percent of students Wednesday, asking them to confirm their registration in the SMS portion of the University's emergency notification system — but the future success of this aspect of the initiative is contingent on the students' response rate, said Jay Steed, executive assistant to Chief Information Officer Gordon Wishon Sunday.

Before the University conducts a full-scale trial run of

its new mass notification system — which would serve to swiftly inform the campus of emergencies through e-mails, text messages and voice mails — mobile phone users had to confirm their willingness to receive these text messages, as required by most carriers.

"The majority of cellular [phone] carriers will not send text messages to mass mailing lists without individual confirmation," Steed said. "Most carriers will not allow companies to create mass text message mailings unless they first provide an option for people to confirm they want to be a part

of that or give them the option to opt out of that. It's not something the University chose to do on its own, but rather something Connect-ED asked us to do because many of the carriers require it."

Connect-ED, the company Notre Dame contracted to send the text- and voice-based notifications to thousands of mobile phones, has an online interface where the Office of the Registrar can upload both the text and the recorded voicemail messages it wants to send out.

This service, Steed said, allows the University to keep control over the content of

the messages that reach the campus community. The Office of the Registrar informed students via e-mail Tuesday that those who signed up for emergency alerts on their mobile phones would be receiving a text message from Connect-ED that was actually produced by the University.

The e-mail said the text message would read: "Univ of Notre Dame: You have asked to receive SMS alerts from us. You must text reply 'Y NDIRISH' to confirm this request."

When students opened

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Author celebrated at College

Talks part of annual CWIL colloquium

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY
News Writer

Encouraging women to challenge a male-dominant system was a key theme in Colleen O'Brien's lecture Friday as part of the annual Center for Women's InterCultural Leadership (CWIL) colloquium at Saint Mary's.

Her lecture — "Race and Desire in Gertrudis Gomez de Avellaneda's 'Sab'" — discussed the writings of Cuban activist and author Avellaneda and the prominent themes in Avellaneda's most famous works. O'Brien described Avellaneda's life and the recurrent themes of racial and gender opposition in the author's writings.

Elaine Meyer-Lee, director of CWIL, began the lecture describing the purpose of the series.

"The fellows and faculty present their work and research for the edification of cultural history," she said.

O'Brien has a Ph.D. in English and women studies and currently teaches humanistic studies at the College.

"[Avellaneda] was not a woman who liked patriarchy," O'Brien said of the 19th century poet. "She felt women were not subservient to men and fought for freedom of equality. She was the first woman to make a bid for a chair in the Royal Academy but was denied the position because she was a woman."

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25th Domer Run fields hundreds

By KATIE STAAK
News Writer

Members of Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross communities raced Saturday morning in the 25th annual Domer Run to raise awareness for ovarian cancer. The run, which is held on a designated away football weekend each fall, sponsors various types of cancer research, support groups and foundations.

Greg Weber, sports camps coordinator for RecSports, said 336 people pre-registered but others showed up Saturday to participate. The race has had over 500 participants in years past.

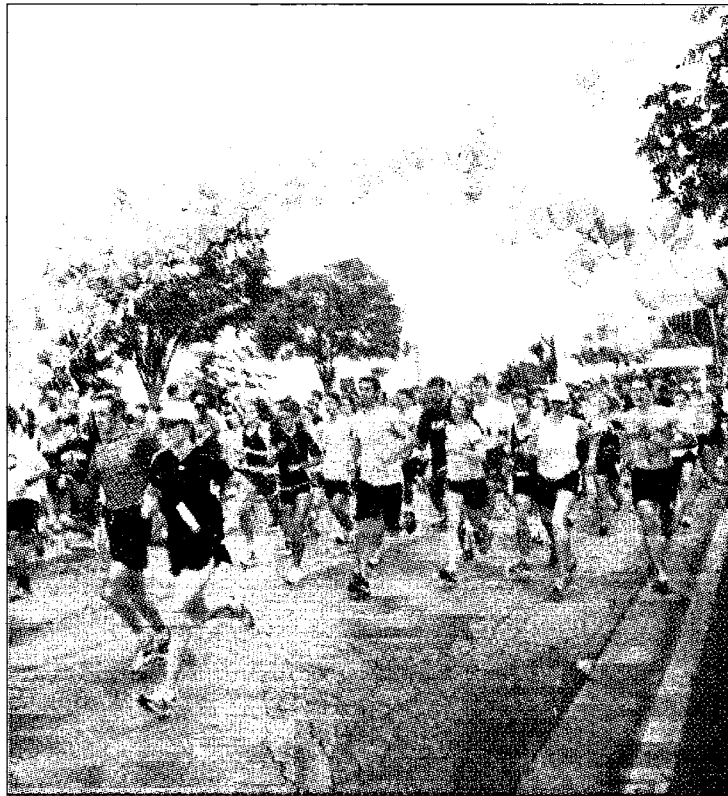
The money raised from the

registration fees and donations will be given toward ovarian cancer awareness. As of Sunday night, no figures were available. The run is sponsored by RecSports, the Notre Dame Alumni Association, Chase Financial and Legends.

According to the American Cancer Society, ovarian cancer is the eighth most common cancer in women. One in every 67 women in the United States will be diagnosed this year.

The event was established in memory of Barbra Link, an alumna and wife of Notre Dame Law School Dean Emeritus Dave Link. Barbara

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DUSTIN MENNELLA/The Observer

Participants in the Domer Run jog past the Snite Museum Saturday. More than 350 people participated.

Visionary car designer honored



KATE FENLON/The Observer

Two of Virgil Exner's car designs are on display outside the Snite Museum Saturday.

Exner biographer delivers tribute to accomplishments

By THERESA CIVANTOS
News Writer

Notre Dame hosted a car show Saturday featuring the work of the late legendary Chrysler designer Virgil Exner.

Exner was Chrysler's first vice president of styling and worked for the Studebaker Corporation, which was based in South Bend.

The event, coordinated by Notre Dame's industrial design program, included a show at the Stepan Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and a 7:30 p.m. lecture at the Snite Museum of Art delivered by Peter Grist, author of

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Lecture discusses cosmopolitanism

Speaker highlights idea's components

By BRIAN MCKENZIE
News Writer

Cosmopolitanism, a set of beliefs concerned with providing global justice and cultural acceptance, is a critical aspect of global citizenry and communication, Kwame Appiah, a keynote speaker at the gender studies program's conference said Friday.

Genocide, patriotism and world governments were recurring

themes throughout the conference for Appiah and fellow keynote speaker Martha Nussbaum, of the University of Chicago.

Appiah began by outlining the three core tenets of cosmopolitanism. The first is that there should be a global citizenry but not a world government. The second is that every world citizen should care about the condition of every other citizen. Finally, he stressed the importance of cultural exchange and conversation.

He spoke about how globalization has affected the "ancient

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INSIDE COLUMN

Premieres please

Last May, in the midst of finals and pre-summer angst, we all took the time out of our busy schedules to cozy up on the couch with a full bowl of popcorn and engage in our most beloved TV shows' season finales.

While some shows left us rather disappointed and unimpressed, others left us with mouths open, staring at the screen in a mixture of excitement and disbelief. Those shows most likely had some sort of mind-boggling cliffhanger that was entirely unexpected. It is these shows that we've been anxiously awaiting to return this fall.

For television lovers, this past week has been the highlight of the fall — the season premieres of many of our favorite shows (Desperate Housewives, The Office and Heroes, to name a few) as well as the start of several new, highly anticipated shows (Dirty Sexy Money, Private Practice, and Chuck). I do admit to taking a fair number of "study breaks" this week for the premieres of my favorites.

I happen to be an avid fan of The Office and Grey's Anatomy, in particular. Understandably so, I was rather conflicted when I learned that these two shows would now be airing simultaneously — The Office on NBC and Grey's on ABC Thursdays at 9 p.m.

For those of you who share in an Office obsession, you can understand my eagerness to find out where Jim and Pam now stand. And for those who can't get enough Grey's Anatomy drama, you can see how essential it was for me to see how ABC would handle Isaac Washington's departure from the show, plus get an update on Derek and Meredith's relationship, of course.

Clearly, NBC has made an aggressive move against its competitor, ABC, by moving The Office into the 9 p.m. time slot and extending the show to an hour long. I can't imagine I'm the only person in these shows' 18-to-45 year-old target audience who is now forced to choose between two favorites.

Statistically, this seems to have been a wise move on NBC's part. While Grey's Anatomy still surpasses The Office in number of viewers, Grey's has reportedly lost 20 percent of its viewers from last season. Conversely, The Office is showing NBC the best numbers it has seen in several years and continues to attract more viewers every episode.

Forced to choose just one to watch at 9 this past Thursday, I decided on The Office, knowing that I could view Grey's Anatomy online after the show. It certainly was a smart decision, being that the first episode was ridiculously hilarious as always. Could anyone have seen it coming that Michael would hit Meredith with his car?

All in all, I'd consider the premieres week a success. While I suspect some of the new shows may flop early on, I was quite impressed by the strong returns of my favorite shows. Perhaps an exciting television season can help compensate for our lack of entertainment on the football field this fall.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Madeline Nies at mnies@nd.edu

Madeline Nies

Graphics Editor

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE FORM OF EXERCISE?



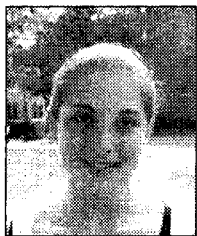
Tom Soler
sophomore
Knott

"Draining cups all night long, son."



Megan Krizmanich
sophomore
Pasquerilla West

"12 ounce curls."



Tori Carpenito
freshman
Farley

"Gymnastics, because I love the risk involved."



Christine Roetzel
freshman
Farley

"I love 'ab' exercises because they make me feel good about myself."



Anna Franzonello
grad student
Badin

"The secret Twister death match that takes place every Sunday night at the Law School."



Erin Williams
sophomore
Pasquerilla West

"Dancing, but only on table tops in six-mans in Zahm."



IAN GAVLICK/The Observer

St. Edward's Hall junior Paul Macias goes up for pushups after his team returned an interception for a touchdown in a game against Carroll. St. Ed's won 7-6.

IN BRIEF

There will be an information meeting for international internships in Africa, Asia and Latine America tonight at 6:30 in the auditorium of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies. Internships are available to freshmen, sophomores and juniors. Former recipients will talk about their experiences and answer questions.

Craig Cramer will perform in a faculty organ recital tomorrow at 8 p.m. in Reyes Organ and Choral Hall, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$3 for students.

There will be a workshop titled "Interviewing for the Academic Job Market" Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 5:15 in 126 DeBartolo Hall. Registration is needed. Panelists will concentrate on issues related to Science and Engineering students.

Notre Dame men's soccer will play Michigan Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Alumni Field.

There will be an Eastern Orthodox Prayer Service Wednesday as part of the Prayer From Around the World series. The service will be at 8 p.m. in 330 Coleman-Morse. The series consists of evenings of prayer and meditation exploring the beliefs and practices of the world's great faith traditions.

The Feast of St. Francis mass will be held Thursday at 5:15 at Alumni Hall chapel. The mass is sponsored by the Orestes Brownson Council.

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

OFFBEAT

Man eats 21 pounds of grits for title

BOSSIER CITY, La. — He'll never want breakfast again.

Pat Bertoletti, a mohawk-sporting chef from Chicago, gulped down 21 pounds of buttery, goopy grits in 10 minutes to win \$4,000 in the first World Grits Eating Championship at Louisiana Downs on Saturday.

The grits were presented in 2-pound trays, each about 8 inches by 6 inches and 1 1/2 inches deep, said Ryan Nerz, a spokesman for Major League Eating.

Bertoletti, in a state-

ment, said the race "tested our stomach capacity like no other."

The buzz going in was that a lot of grits would go down because they are so easy to eat, Nerz said. There were nine contestants, and the top three ate a combined 60 pounds.

Stop signs try humor in Illinois

OAK LAWN, Ill. — A big red sign that says "Stop" sometimes isn't enough to get everyone to stop. Maybe a laugh will get their attention.

This Chicago suburb has installed second stop signs

beneath the regular ones at 50 intersections with messages, including "WHOOAAA" or "Stop ... and smell the roses."

"I thought it might make people smile and take notice," Mayor Dave Heilmann said as he launched the campaign Friday. "You've got people on their cell phones, their BlackBerries and iPods while driving. Those are all distractions. Hopefully, when they see a sign they're not expecting it might make them stop."

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

LOCAL WEATHER	TODAY		TONIGHT		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW
	70	60	60	50	83	57	83	62	85	57	78	63

Atlanta 80 / 54 Boston 76 / 66 Chicago 70 / 50 Denver 84 / 50 Houston 90 / 73 Los Angeles 75 / 60 Minneapolis 72 / 46 New York 75 / 67 Philadelphia 79 / 66 Phoenix 97 / 74 Seattle 58 / 49 St. Louis 81 / 54 Tampa 90 / 74 Washington 82 / 66

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Prof questions perceptions of Court

Special to The Observer

Richard W. Garnett, John Cardinal O'Hara, C.S.C., associate professor of law in the Notre Dame Law School, suggests that the upcoming Supreme Court term will challenge conventional wisdom.



Garnett

"Much of the commentary about the Supreme Court's last term has included the claim that the justices have made a 'sharp turn to the right,'" Garnett says. "In fact, the evidence does not support this claim. Even the high-profile cases involving racial classifications in public-school assignment, campaign-finance rules,

partial-birth abortion, and speech in public schools were, all things considered, narrow in their scope and modest in their reach.

"The main reason the last term seemed 'conservative' is that the menu of cases the justices had before them included several issues on which Justice Anthony Kennedy — the new 'swing vote' — has well established, fairly conservative positions.

"Looking ahead to the upcoming term, however, the menu is quite different. The justices have on their docket a number of cases—cases involving the detention of suspected terrorists, the regula-

tion of child pornography, and the death penalty — in which it is likely that the more 'liberal' positions will win out. That is, that they will win out in Justice Kennedy's mind. When they do, will the end-of-the-year commentary conclude that the court has 'turned dramatically to the left'? Not likely, and nor should it."

A member of the Notre Dame law faculty since 1999 and a former clerk for the late Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist,

Garnett teaches courses on criminal law, criminal procedure, First Amendment law, and the death penalty.

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law professor

Hispanic bishops convene at ND

Special to The Observer

An informal meeting of the nation's Hispanic Catholic bishops was held at Notre Dame on Sept. 24-25.

The gathering was organized in consultation with the bishops by John Cavadini, chair of theology and director of Notre Dame's Institute for Church Life (ICL); Rev. Virgilio P. Elizondo, Notre Dame Professor of Pastoral and Hispanic Theology; and Rev. Richard v. Warner, C.S.C., director of Notre Dame's Office of Campus Ministry.

Among the topics discussed by the bishops were appropriate pastoral responses to the issue of immigration; the recent closing of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Secretariat of Hispanic Affairs; and proposals for

new educational and catechetical ICL programs for Catholic Hispanic youths and Spanish-speaking seminarians.

Nine bishops attended the meeting, the third of its kind to be held at Notre Dame. They were Bishop Octavio Cisneros of Brooklyn, N.Y.; Bishop Raymundo Peña of Brownsville, Texas.; Bishop James Tamayo of Laredo, Texas.; Bishop Francisco Gonzalez of Washington, D.C.; Bishop Armando Ochoa of El Paso, Texas.; Bishop Gustavo García-Siller of Chicago; Archbishop José Gómez of San Antonio; Bishop Eusebio Elizondo of Seattle; and Bishop José Vasquez of Galveston-Houston.

The meeting concluded with a Mass concelebrated by the bishops in Notre Dame's Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

Book analyzes World Social Forum

Special to The Observer

Jackie Smith, associate professor of sociology and peace studies at the University of Notre Dame, is the co-author of a new book recently released by Paradigm Publishers.

"Global Democracy and the World Social Forums" offers an analysis of one of the most important political developments of our time — the huge

annual gatherings of social change activists collectively known as the World Social Forum (WSF).

The book "is a real contribution to the worldwide struggle for global justice," according to Yale University sociologist Immanuel Wallerstein. "It offers readers . . . insight into what WSF has been, what its internal debates and difficulties are, and how we might move forward."

Since 2001, the World Social Forum has drawn hundreds of thousands of people to annual meetings in Brazil, India, Venezuela, Mali, Pakistan and Kenya. This summer, Smith and another Notre Dame sociologist, Dan Myers, along with several undergraduate and graduate student-researchers, traveled to Atlanta to join more than 15,000 participants at the first United States Social Forum.

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Show

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"Virgil Exner: Visioneer." "Visioneer" is the first written biography of Exner.

Virgil Exner, Jr., also an automobile designer, spoke about his father's vision and legacy.

Pictorial histories and presentations on Exner's iconic achievements were presented throughout the day at the Stepan Center.

"The spirit of this event was Virgil Exner, Jr.," Paul Down.

a Notre Dame professor of art, art history, and design said, who played a key role in bringing the Exner exhibit to Notre Dame.

Virgil Exner, Jr., a Notre Dame alumnus, contributed to Notre Dame's being chosen to host this event because of his personal connection.

"The No. 1 reason for this event," Down said, "is that this is an opportunity for the University to give back for all it received in the 1940s and '50s. We owe it to Virgil Exner. He made a grand investment in Notre Dame."

Notre Dame students pri-

marily staffed the car show, which featured 13 of Exner's designs.

"There's never been a celebration of Virgil Exner before," Robert Elton said. "I've been a fan of [Exner's] work since I was nine."

Exner's visionary designs include trademark tailfins and curved window glass, which has since become an industry standard. He foresaw with prophetic accuracy that cars of the future would be wedge-shaped, Exner, Jr. said.

"Virgil Exner believed in beautiful designs with practical function."

Peter Grist
Exner biographer

Exner believed in beautiful designs with a practical function," Grist said. "He created what people wanted in a car in two or three years, not twenty."

Grist gave a book signing on stage during the car show.

"We live in a world of mediocrity and blandness," Grist said. "That's why we have to give our congratulations to Virgil Exner for creating these iconic masterpieces that are still beloved today."

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Gender

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ideal of [cosmopolitanism], because citizens of the world have an unprecedented ability to learn about and affect each other. He mentioned pollution, arms trafficking and disease transmission, but also said that a cosmopolitan world could oppose tyranny and environmental destruction.

"There are so many effective solutions to the problems facing mankind that a single society could not implement them all," he said.

Diversity, he said, was only important because of what it made possible, not as an end itself.

He sought to balance cultural sovereignty with inherent human rights. He quoted philosopher John Stuart Mill to assert that men should be free to make their own choices as long as they offer moral consideration to others. Genocide was another theme throughout the lecture.

"Tolerance does not mean there is nothing we don't find intolerable," he said.

Ruth Abbey, the director of Notre Dame's Institute of Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, responded to Appiah's lecture, saying that cosmopolitanism calls for the "cavalier ... and very exacting position" of respecting those who do not believe in the equal dignity of others and will

not reciprocate that respect.

She also accused him of relaxing his position on the obligation of the world's wealthy to the poor.

Abbey said that one percent of the wealth of the richest tenth of the world could drastically reduce global poverty. Alex Neustrom, a senior at Culver Military Academy, was disappointed that the panel did not include scholars that disagreed with the key tenets of cosmopolitanism.

"Respecting views was a core tenet of cosmopolitanism," he said. The conference also featured Martha Nussbaum, who spoke about the relationship between cosmopolitanism and patriotism.

"Traditionally cosmopolitans have distrusted patriotism because it makes appeals to national sentiment rather than global solidarity," she said. "Patriotism could help create a strong global culture because it

could stir citizens to make sacrifices for values beyond themselves."

Nussbaum cited the Pledge of Allegiance's "liberty and justice for all" phrase as an example of patriotism creating a sense of solidarity. She offered solutions for "purifying patriotism" of harmful exclusion and prejudice.

These included constitutional guarantees, fair treatment for immigrants and an independent judiciary.

"Even in times of war, these can protect cosmopolitan values," Nussbaum said.

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Run

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Link battled ovarian cancer before her death in 2003. Dave Link said a blessing over the runners in front of Moose Kraus Drive near the stadium tunnel before the race began.

The streets were lined with signs displaying facts about ovarian cancer so the runners and spectators could understand the cause. Runners also had the chance to write the name of someone they knew who faced or is dealing with ovarian cancer and tie the name to a teal balloon. The balloons were tied on to an arch that lined the start and finish line of the race.

Runners had the opportunity to participate in either a three-mile or six-mile run, or a two-mile walk, all beginning at 10 a.m. Everyone checked in at Legends where

they received a T-shirt for participating.

Last year's winner, Michael Rose, a sophomore at Notre Dame, won the 3-mile race again this year.

"I run for the race, but I definitely support the cause," Rose said.

The race ended in front of the Hesburgh Library.

"We thought it would be beneficial to run for the cause," freshman Grace Yeh said.

Many students and faculty, alumni and community members came out Saturday morning for the races.

"I think it was a good way to get involved on campus," freshman Sara Yusko said.

This year's run also marked another milestone for the Domer Run tradition. Graduate student James Fetter became the first blind runner in the race's history.

"I am definitely not a runner," he said. "I primarily swim. I've been a swimmer

for years, but I thought I would try something different."

Fetter participated in the three-mile race.

"Even people with disabilities can take a part in competitive activities, such as a race," he said.

Fetter's experience with the Domer Run proved to be a positive one, which may lead to more races in the future for him — if food is involved.

"I might run another race if there is another free breakfast at the end, but I think I would rather stick to swimming."

At the end of the race, runners made their way back to Legends for a complimentary pancake breakfast, sponsored by Chase Financial.

Participants could register for the Run for \$10 in advance or \$15 the day of the race.

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Poet

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Avellaneda was a Cuban advocate for women's rights and an abolitionist who found inspiration from romantic writers.

"[She] was influenced by Victor Hugo and Chateaubriand, which is evident in most all of her works" O'Brien said.

O'Brien noted historical influences from the conquest of Mexico and the leader of the Haitian Revolution, Toussaint Louverture.

'Sab,' the book which was most heavily discussed, was published in 1841. It was Avellaneda's most controver-

sial work.

"It was well received in Spain but immediately banned in Cuba," O'Brien said.

Avellaneda was a revolutionary author because she used themes of interracial love and social divisions, such as slavery, O'Brien said.

'Sab' is the story of a slave who falls in love with his master's daughter. Avellaneda describes how Sab, although a slave, is morally superior to the white characters in the book.

"The flow of identity comes not from the blood, but from

the soul," O'Brien said. "Human souls are capable of more than love."

Avellaneda wrote four other novels during her lifetime.

CWIL will be hosting another lecture next Friday titled "Racing the Archive: Will the Real William Dubois Please Stand Up?" It will take place from noon to 1 p.m. in the Mother Pauline room on the second floor of Cushwa-Leighton Library.

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"The flow of identity comes not from the blood, but from the soul."

Dr. Colleen O'Brien
professor

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Early election held to end standoff

KIEV — Ukraine's pro-Western Orange Revolution allies made a strong combined showing in Sunday's parliamentary elections and looked poised to win a majority that could allow them to unseat Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovich, an exit poll showed.

The election was called early in an attempt to end a standoff between Yanukovich and President Viktor Yushchenko and shake sense into the ex-Soviet nation's politics after years of infighting.

The independent poll showed Yanukovich's bloc was the top vote-getter with 35.5 percent, but Yulia Tymoshenko, the fiery Orange Revolution heroine, followed closely with 31.5 percent. Yushchenko's party was trailing a distant third with 13.4 percent.

Sudanese rebels kill 10 peacekeepers

HASKANITA — Rebel forces stormed a small African Union base in northern Darfur and killed 10 peacekeepers in an unprecedented attack on the beleaguered mission that threatened key peace talks set for October.

Several others were wounded and dozens were missing after about 1,000 rebels from the Sudan Liberation Army attacked the base in Haskanita late Saturday and eventually stormed it early Sunday, AU peacekeepers told The Associated Press in Haskanita.

The remaining AU peacekeepers were evacuated from the base under the protection of the Sudanese army, who routed the rebels out of the area. Some government troops could be seen plundering goods from the burned-out camp as an AU armored vehicle lay smoldering nearby.

NATIONAL NEWS

Former Congressman goes on trial

SAN DIEGO — Defense contractor Brent Wilkes hosted fancy dinner parties and chartered jets for powerful members of Congress while his company was racking up more than \$100 million in government contracts.

The lawmakers who enjoyed the largesse were often the same ones who approved his contracts. They included former Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham, who pleaded guilty in 2005 to accepting \$2.4 million in kickbacks in the largest corruption scandal ever to strike Congress.

Wilkes goes on trial Wednesday to fight federal charges that he funneled more than \$700,000 in bribes to Cunningham in the form of both cash and perks ranging from a Sea-Doo jet boat to the services of two prostitutes at a high-end Hawaiian resort.

Missing woman found in wreckage

SEATTLE — A woman who spent more than a week trapped in the wreckage of her vehicle has been upgraded to serious condition, a hospital spokeswoman said Sunday.

Tanya Rider, 33, was admitted in critical condition Thursday with kidney failure and other injuries after her mangled SUV was found in a ravine off a highway suburban Seattle.

She remained in the intensive care unit Sunday, said Susan Gregg-Hanson, spokeswoman for Harborview Medical Center.

LOCAL NEWS

Indiana officer accidentally shot

HAMMOND — A Gary reserve officer was fatally shot at a gun range during marksmanship practice, police said.

Kevin Weaver, 49, died Saturday from a single gunshot wound after a fellow volunteer officer's gun accidentally discharged a .45-caliber round into his chest, Gary police said.

Hammond Police Chief Brian Miller said Weaver, who was with the Gary force for more than 20 years, was struck in the arm and chest. Weaver was pronounced dead at a hospital a short time later.

"There's apparently nothing here that indicates anything other than an accident," Miller said.

MYANMAR

Forces sent to repress demonstrations

U.N., Japanese attempt to persuade military rulers to end deadly crackdown in country

Associated Press

YANGON — Thousands of soldiers and police were deployed in Myanmar's largest cities Sunday, keeping even the most die-hard protesters off the streets, and more arrests were reported, further demoralizing dissidents desperate for democracy.

The top U.N. envoy on Myanmar, Ibrahim Gambari, was trying to persuade Myanmar's military rulers to end a deadly crackdown on demonstrators that has sparked international outcry.

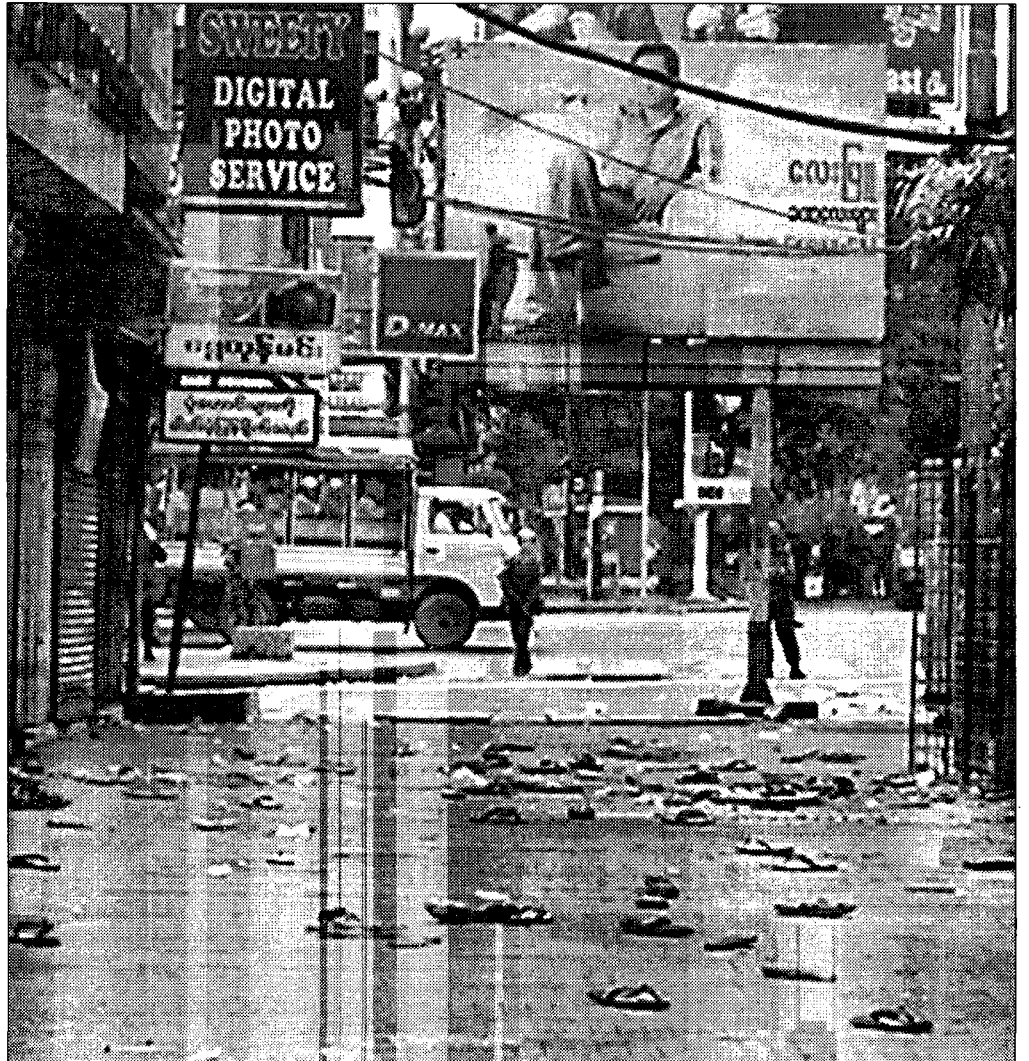
But many protesters said they were seeing a repeat of the global reaction to a 1988 pro-democracy uprising, when the world stood by as protesters were gunned down in the streets.

"I don't think it will make much of a difference," said one hotel worker, who like other residents asked not to be named, fearing retaliation. "We have to find a solution ourselves."

A senior Japanese official headed for Myanmar on Sunday to press the military government to move toward democracy and to protest the killing of Japanese journalist Kenji Nagai during the crackdown on protesters. Deputy Foreign Minister Mitoji Yabunaka was to arrive in Yangon by Sunday evening, according to a ministry official who spoke on condition of anonymity in line with policy.

Soldiers and police have been posted on almost all corners in the cities of Yangon and Mandalay. Shopping malls, grocery stores and public parks were closed and few people dared to venture out of their homes.

A young woman who took part in a massive demonstration in Yangon Thursday said she didn't think "we have any more hope to win." She was separated from her boyfriend when police broke up the protest by firing into crowds and has not seen him since.



Shoes of demonstrators are scattered in the street after Myanmar soldiers opened gunfire into a crowd Thursday in Yangon where ralliers have protested for a democratic government.

"The monks are the ones who give us courage," she said. Most of the clerics, whose participation helped the protests grow dramatically, are now besieged in their monasteries behind locked gates and barbed wire.

The number of troops in Yangon, the largest city, swelled to around 20,000 after reinforcements arrived overnight Sunday, ensuring that almost all demonstrators would remain off the streets, an Asian diplomat said.

"The security forces are demonstrating their strength," said the diplomat, who spoke on condition of anonymity, citing protocol. "I think the chance of protesters coming to the road and

mobilizing enough people to topple the junta is zero."

People suspected of leading or organizing rallies continue to be arrested, he said, estimating that the total number could be as high as 1,000. With the main prison now overcrowded, people are now being detained in university buildings and educational institutes, he said.

Gambari was taken on arrival Saturday to Naypyitaw, the remote, bunker-like capital where the country's military leaders are based. The White House urged the junta to allow him to have access to Aung San Suu Kyi — the Nobel Peace Prize laureate who is under house arrest — and ordinary Myanmar resi-

dents.

The demonstrations began last month as people angry over massive fuel price hikes took to the streets — then mushroomed into the tens of thousands after the monks began marching.

The junta, which has a long history of snuffing out dissent, started cracking down Wednesday, when the first of at least 10 deaths was reported, and then let loose on Thursday, shooting into a crowd of protesters and clubbing them with batons.

The crackdown triggered an unprecedented verbal flaying of Myanmar's generals from almost every corner of the world — even some criticism from No. 1 ally China.

S.C. first to use single-gender education

Associated Press

COLUMBIA — David Chadwell believes boys and girls can get through the awkward middle school years better when they're separated, learning in classrooms tailored to the learning styles of each gender.

As the country's first and only statewide coordinator of single-gender education, Chadwell is helping to make South Carolina a leader among public schools that offer such programs. About 70 schools offer the program now, and the goal is to have programs available to every child within five years, he said.

The theory is that by separating

girls and boys — especially during middle school years typically marked by burgeoning hormones, self doubt and peer pressure — lessons can be more effective because they are in unique classroom settings.

For example, Chadwell explains, research shows boys don't hear as well as girls, so teachers of all-boys classes often use microphones. And because boys' attention spans tend to wander, incorporating movement in a lesson, like throwing a ball to a student when he's chosen to answer a question, can keep them focused.

In one recent boys' class, a group of gangly seventh-graders sprawled on the floor around a giant vinyl

chart, using skateboard parts and measuring tape to learn pre-algebra. In a different school a few miles away, middle school girls interviewed each other, then turned their surveys about who's shy and who has dogs into fractions, decimals and percentages. Classical music played softly in the background.

Teachers in all-girls classes say they've learned to speak more softly, because their students can take yelling more personally than boys. And the educators gear their lessons to what students like: assigning action novels for boys to read or allowing girls to evaluate cosmetics for science projects.

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their phones Wednesday, the message said: "UNIV OF NOTRE DAME: You must reply 'Y NDIRISII' to confirm your desire to receive future SMS alerts. More info text 'HELP.'"

Moreover, to mobile phone users, the sender of the message appeared as "231-77," which led some students to believe the message was not legitimate.

"I didn't recognize the phone number, and I didn't really remember the e-mail that had been sent out, so when I got the message I didn't reply because I thought it was spam," senior Michelle Mas said.

Steed said in the future students should be aware 231-77 is Connect-ED's number because the Office of Information Technologies has specified that information on its Web site.

In the event of a campus emergency, Steed said, students who fail to reply positively to the confirmation request will not receive a text-message alert — but that doesn't mean they won't receive other forms of notifications.

"Students that don't send out a confirmation reply will not receive any additional text messages from Connect-ED in the future, but in the event of an emergency they will receive the e-mails and the voice mails," Steed said.

But based on the number of students who provided Notre

Dame with emergency cell phone numbers, the University expects mobile phones to become one of the more prominent avenues for warning students of any campus crises.

During this fall's online registration, more than 95 percent of the student body provided an emergency cell phone number to the Office of the Registrar, which would produce any mass notifications sent out during an emergency, Steed said.

Of this 95 percent, he said more than 80 percent additionally signed up to receive emergency text messages. Steed said the University expects to get 75-85 percent of those students to validate their enrollment in the program with a confirmation reply, a benchmark based on the results observed at peer institutions with similar notification systems.

Steed said he didn't have the total number of students who replied to Wednesday's initial confirmation request because the University is still waiting to receive more text-message answers in the coming weeks.

Besides the students who signed up to receive SMS alerts, Wishon said, Connect-ED will also handle the emergency notifications sent out to faculty and staff members.

"The University has over 16,000 people in the system,"

Wishon said Sunday. "And the whole point of all this is to be able to contact as many of them and as quickly as we can to alert them of any emergencies on campus."

Some of the potential emergencies include tornadoes, lightning, dangerous gas leaks or even gunmen on campus. The plans and efforts underway to develop a systematic way of notifying

the campus of any emergencies were only sped up after last spring's murders at Virginia Tech.

A full-scale trial run of the entire notification system will be conducted later this semester, Steed said.

"Right now we know the system works, that students get the text messages. But sometime later this semester there will be a coordinated effort within the University to test the entire notification system, which includes the text messages, the voicemail [messages] and the e-mails," Steed said.

Contact Marcela Berrios at aberrios@nd.edu

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Jay Steed
executive assistant to
CIO Gordon Wishon

Senior receives honors from organization

Special to The Observer

Andrea Laidman, a Notre Dame senior from Alden, N.Y., is the recipient of national and state awards from Campus Compact, a coalition of college and university presidents who are committed to fulfilling the civic purposes of higher education.



Laidman

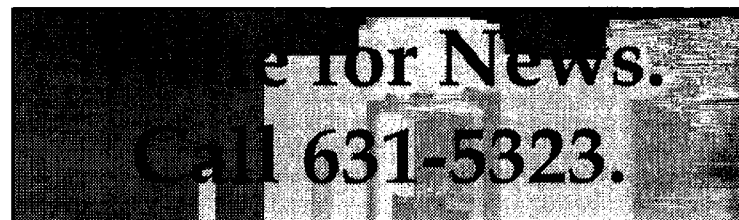
Laidman is one of only five students selected nationwide and the second consecutive Notre Dame student to receive the Howard R. Swearer Student Humanitarian Award in recognition of her commitment to public service and for developing an innovative program to address issues facing the community. She will receive a \$1,500 contribution to be used in a service program of her choosing.

Nationally, Campus Compact is a coalition of more than

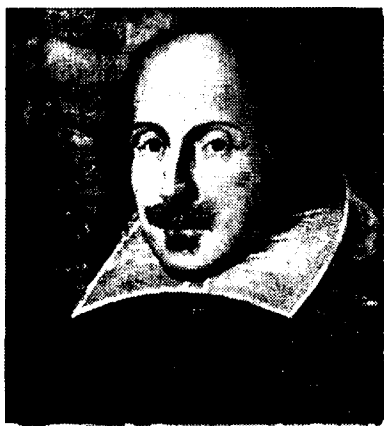
800 college and university presidents that encourages the expansion and support of educational programs involving students in volunteerism and social service.

Laidman also has received the Richard J. Wood Student Community Commitment Award from Indiana Campus Compact, a member of the national organization that consists of a consortium of 31 Indiana higher education institutions. The Wood Award is presented annually to one student per university, based on his or her record of service and determination to positively affect his or her community.

A Presidential Scholar with a double major in political science and international peace studies, Laidman is the co-founder of Notre Dame Against State Killing (ND ASK), a student-led campaign for a moratorium on executions in the state of Indiana. She has served as a columnist and reporter for The Observer and worked abroad as a legal research intern for the Irish Department of Justice.



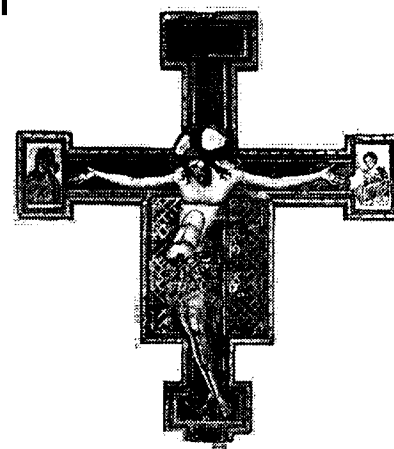
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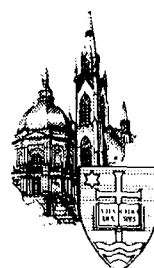
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IN BRIEF

N. J. Meat company announces recall

TRENTON —The Topps Meat Co. on Saturday expanded its recall of frozen hamburger patties that may be contaminated with the E. coli bacteria and sickened more than a dozen people in eight states.

Topps said it was recalling 21.7 million pounds of ground beef products distributed to retail grocery stores and food service institutions throughout the United States, up from the 332,000 pounds it recalled on Tuesday.

The recall represents all Topps products with either a "sell by date" or a "best if used by date" between Sept. 25 this year and Sept. 25, 2008. The Elizabeth-based company said this information is found on a package's back panel.

All recalled products also have a USDA establishment number of EST 9748, which is located on the back panel of the package and/or in the USDA legend, the company said.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture said Friday it had suspended the grinding of raw products at the Topps plant after inspectors found inadequate safety measures at the Topps plant. The USDA declined to detail the inadequate safety measures.

"Because the health and safety of our consumers is our top priority, we are taking these expansive measures," said Geoffrey Livermore, Topps' operations vice president.

Mich. lawmakers plan tax increases

LANSING — Lawmakers were trying early Sunday to reach deals on tax increases and measures aimed at lowering health insurance costs for some public employees in an effort to avoid a partial government shutdown.

A framework of a temporary budget deal appeared to be falling into place as lawmakers attempted to erase a \$1.75 billion deficit in the fiscal year that begins Monday.

Democratic Gov. Jennifer Granholm has told about 35,000 of the state's more than 53,000 workers not to report to work on Monday if a shutdown occurs. The remaining workers, mostly related to public health and safety, would stay on the job.

INDIA

Tea industry sees drop in profit

Growers in northeastern Indian state suffer as competition rises and insurgency increases

Associated Press

DIBRUGAR, India — He's a genteel man, with a sprawling plantation house, courtly manners and an estate of carefully trimmed tea bushes that stretches across the gentle hills of Assam, blanketing the land as far as you can see.

But the business of tea? It's best not to ask.

Manoj Jalan, a fifth-generation planter with a 5,000-acre estate, summed up his situation simply: "This is a rough business."

"I was born here, in this building," Jalan said, standing in front of a colonial-era house. "Tea is a way of life for us."

India has long been famous for its tea, and the \$1.5 billion industry launched by British colonials nearly two centuries ago is, after China's, the world's second largest. More than 1 million tons were grown in 2007, much of it here in the northeastern state of Assam.

But production costs are mounting and a brutal insurgency has targeted the planters. Globalization, with the spread of cheaper tea from countries such as Vietnam and Kenya, has increased competition. While there have been glimmers of good news recently — a \$320 million revitalization package announced by the government, and an uptick in prices from historic lows — the business is still at the bottom rungs of profitability.

Things have changed since earlier generations of planters cleared the forests, planted the tea and built an enormously profitable industry.

"I must confess," Jalan said. "They did a better job in their time than we've been able to do in our time."

Planters like Jalan, whose families piloted the industry



Indian women sort tea leaves at a garden in Jorhat on July 5. The Indian tea industry has struggled as a result of high production costs, insurgency, and globalization.

after independence from Britain 60 years ago, have been forced into a brutally competitive marketplace.

On one side are corporations that maximize profits through enormous scale, with dozens of estates and tens of thousands of workers. On the other side are the growing number of micro-producers, many with just a couple acres of land, that are increasingly powerful in the market. All are competing in a market where prices

have fallen 30 percent in just a decade.

Then there's the United Liberation Front of Asom, whose revolt has killed some 3,000 people over two decades, and helped turn the region into a backwater of unemployment. Planters have been prime targets — more than a dozen killed and at least 20 more kidnapped. Extortion payoffs, farmers say privately, are common.

Today, many prominent

planters don't leave home without jeeploads of heavily armed bodyguards. Guardposts ring their clubs.

Back in the good times, the wealthiest planters jetted to Europe to shop, and bought homes in Calcutta and New Delhi.

Those days are over. Today, Jalan, like many old tea-making families, has turned part of his estate into a guesthouse, hoping wealthy Western tourists can bring more profits.

Hollywood focuses on green energy

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — From "green carpets" at awards shows to organic fruit served to actors on sets, Hollywood is going all out to promote itself as being environmentally hip.

But is it all just show?

No amount of public service announcements or celebrities driving hybrid cars can mask the fact that movie and TV production is a gritty industrial operation, consuming enormous amounts of power to feed bright lights, run sophisticated cameras, and feed a cast of thousands.

Studios' back lots host cavernous soundstages that must be air-conditioned to counter the heat produced by decades-old lighting technology. Huge manufacturing facilities consume wood, steel, paint and plastic

to build sets that are often torn down and tossed out after filming ends.

The energy guzzling continues on the exhibition side, too, with multiplexes drawing millions of kilowatts to power old-school popcorn makers and clunky film projectors that cash-strapped theater owners are reluctant to replace.

A two-year study released last year by the University of California at Los Angeles concluded that special effects explosions, idling vehicles and diesel generators make the entertainment industry a major Southern California polluter, second only to the oil industry.

Still, financial and public pressures have resulted in many studios expanding their environmental efforts, doing everything from using a biodiesel fuel mixture to run the generators on the set of the Fox

show "24" to converting Warner Bros.' enormous set-building facility to solar energy.

"Public consciousness on this issue has changed dramatically," said Kyle Tanger, a principal at Clear Carbon Consulting. "The talent themselves are requesting it from some of the studios. And a lot of these things make economic sense."

Economic benefit can come to studios directly, by switching to more efficient lighting or cooling systems or driving hybrid cars on location, which can save gas. Other projects, such as installing solar power, can take decades to pay off.

But there are other benefits that are harder to quantify. Besides the public relations angle, many performers and other employees want to work with eco-friendly companies, so it also helps in recruiting and retaining employees, Tanger said.

Theologian, Vatican at odds over doctrine

Associated Press

It's not easy being a Roman Catholic theologian these days. Trying to explain a centuries-old faith's place in modern times is hard enough. Now some Catholic thinkers worry the Vatican is more concerned with unity than messy debates that can lead to new ideas.

The case of the Rev. Peter Phan is the latest example of the tension between church authorities and Catholic theologians. A 2004 book by Phan, a Georgetown University professor, has come under scrutiny for going beyond the Vatican's comfort zone in suggesting that other religions might have merit.

"Individual theologians can be creative, or they can be irresponsible," said the Rev. James Hef, director of the Institute for Advanced Catholic Studies at the University of Southern California. "The exercise of central authority can be overbearing, or it can be a necessary corrective. So it's a complex situation."

American Catholics and the broader public have good reason to care about what may look like an intramural squabble, Hef said. Theologians often do the thinking that contributes to profound changes in Catholic teaching — on everything from the church's relationship with Jews and other Christians to the role of lay people.

The conflict at the heart of the Phan case, he said, strikes at "one of the major questions of our time, especially in the coming decades: How we can speak of one faith expressed distinctively in a variety of cultures?"

Over recent decades, the Vatican has clamped down on theologians who advocate fighting

poverty and injustice through the social gospel and liberation theology. More recently, the focus has shifted to the nature of Jesus Christ and salvation, one of the defining concerns of Pope Benedict XVI's papacy and his previous work as a cardinal.

Earlier this year, Benedict released a document reasserting the primacy of the Roman Catholic Church, reiterating themes in the 2000 Vatican document *Dominus Iesus*. That document states non-Christians are "in a gravely deficient situation in comparison with those who, in the church, have the fullness of the means of salvation."

Phan explored salvation and other themes in his 2004 book, "Being Religious Interreligiously," the focus of the Vatican inquiry. The Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith said the book is "notably confused on a number of points of Catholic doctrine and also contains serious ambiguities," according to the National Catholic Reporter.

Among the chief concerns, said the independent Catholic weekly: that Phan's writings could be interpreted as saying non-Christian faiths "have a positive role in salvation history in their own right, and are not merely a preparation for the Christian Gospel." A committee of U.S. bishops is conducting a separate inquiry into Phan's work.

The increasing diversity of Catholic theologians, Phan among them (he is Vietnamese-American), is greatly influencing the debate about Catholicism's place among other religions, said Terrence Tilley, chairman of the Fordham University theology department.

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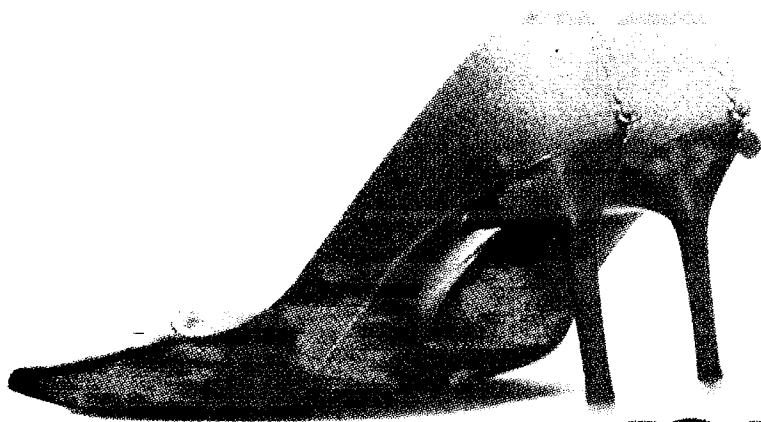
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GERMANY

Ethiopian marathoner breaks world record

Associated Press

BERLIN — Haile Gebrselassie broke the world record Sunday in winning the Berlin Marathon in two hours, four minutes and 26 seconds.

The 34-year-old Ethiopian lowered the mark of 2:04:55 by friend and Kenyan Paul Tergat four years ago by 29 seconds on the German capital's flat fast course, where six world records have been set.

In the women's race, his countrywoman Gete Wami defended her title in 2:23:17.

Gebrselassie picked up the pace over the last six miles, running alone without pace-makers, after he trailed the record by half-a-dozen seconds at the half-way point.

His furious pace carried him through the giant pillars of the Brandenburg Gate in downtown Berlin and he broke into a smile over the final yards as it became clear he would accomplish the feat in his second try in Berlin.

His arms flew up in triumph as he broke the tape.

"Don't ask me how I am," Gebrselassie said. "It's very special, spectacular."

This was the 25th world record for the Ethiopian, a two-time Olympic champion in the 10,000 meters. Kenyans Abel Kirui in 2:06:51 and Salim Kipsang in 2:07:29 finished second and third on Sunday.

Gebrselassie faded over the

final miles last year in a failed bid at the record, settling for last year's fastest marathon of the year at 2:05:56.

This time, vowing again to break Tergat's mark, he upped his training mileage before the event. His record was also helped by a cool calm day.

"Today, there was a little wind, but otherwise perfect," he said.

The win helped him ease a painful memory, when he dropped out of the star-studded London Marathon in the spring. Later, he was diagnosed with allergies.

"That was very sad. I could not sleep at all the night after that and this experience still follows me until today," Gebrselassie said.

Wami picked up points in her bid to claim the \$500,000 offered for winning the first World Marathon Majors Series. The former Olympic 10,000 champion is locked in a battle for the prize money with Jelena Prokopcuka of Latvia.

Germany's Irina Mikitenko was second in 2:24:52 and Kenyan Helena Kirop finished third in 2:26:27.

Gebrselassie picked up \$71,000 for the win and the same amount in a world record bonus. He also reportedly earned \$357,000 in appearance money.

The Berlin Marathon is the fourth-largest marathon in the world, drawing 40,000 to the race and another 8,000 entries in special events.

"Today, there was a little wind, but otherwise perfect."

Haile Gebrselassie
marathon world record holder

JAPAN

History revision protested

Civilians rally against government censoring of WWII passages

Associated Press

TOKYO — More than 100,000 people protested Saturday in southern Japan against the central government's order to modify school textbooks which say the country's army forced civilians to commit mass suicide at the end of World War II.

Publishers of history textbooks were ordered in December to modify sections that said the Japanese army — faced with an impending U.S. invasion in 1945 — handed out grenades to residents in Okinawa and ordered them to kill themselves rather than surrender to the Americans.

The amendment order came amid moves by Tokyo to soften brutal accounts of Japanese wartime conduct, but triggered immediate condemnation from residents and academics.

About 110,000 residents and politicians attended Saturday's rallies in the prefecture (state) of Okinawa, said Yoshino Uetsu, one of the organizers.

"We cannot bury the fact that the Japanese military was involved in the mass suicide, taking into account of the general background and testimonies that hand

grenades were delivered," Okinawa Gov. Hirokazu Nakaima told a crowd gathered at a park in Ginowan City.

Accounts of forced group suicides on Okinawa are backed by historical research, as well as testimonies from victims' relatives. Historians also say civilians were induced by government propaganda to believe U.S. soldiers would commit horrible atrocities and therefore killed themselves and their families to avoid capture.

About 500 people committed suicide, according to civic group and media reports.

In recent years, some academics have questioned whether the suicides were forced — part of a general push by Japanese conservatives to soften criticism of Tokyo's wartime conduct.

The bloody battle in Okinawa raged from late March through June 1945, leaving more than 200,000 civilians and soldiers dead, and speeding the collapse of

Japan's defenses. The U.S. occupied Okinawa from the end of World War II until 1972.

New textbooks for use in Japanese schools must be screened and approved by a government-appointed panel,

which can order corrections of perceived historical inaccuracies. The publishers of seven textbooks slated for use in high schools next year had been

asked to make relevant changes and submit them for approval.

An official of the Education Ministry said Saturday that the ministry has no immediate plans concerning the amendment. She spoke on condition of anonymity, citing policy.

Saturday's rally was the largest in Okinawa since the island was returned to Japan by the United States in 1972, Kyodo News agency said. In 1995, 85,000 people took part in a rally following the 1995 rape of a schoolgirl there by three American servicemen, according to the agency.

"We cannot bury the fact that the Japanese military was involved in the mass suicide."

Hirokazu Nakaima
Okinawa governor

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CHINA

Controversial ads banned from air

Associated Press

BEIJING — China has banned television and radio ads for push-up bras, figure-enhancing underwear and sex toys in the communist government's latest move to purge the nation's airwaves of what it calls social pollution.

Regulators have already targeted ads using crude or suggestive language, behavior, and images, tightening their grip on television and radio a few weeks ahead of a twice-a-decade Communist Party congress at which some new senior leaders will be appointed.

The latest move by the State Administration of Radio, Film and Television, or SARFT, also bans advertisements for sexual aids such as tonics that claim to boost performance in bed.

The notice indicated that regulators were concerned about both lascivious imagery and outrageous or insupportable claims about some products' benefits or effectiveness.

"Illegal 'sexual medication' advertisements and other

harmful ads pose a grave threat to society," said the SARFT notice, issued in the past week and posted on the administration's Web site.

"They not only seriously mislead consumers, harm the people's health, pollute the social environment, and corrupt social mores, but also directly harm the credibility of public broadcasting and affect the image of the Communist Party and the government," the notice said.

China has already also issued strict rules for TV talent shows, including the banning of "American Idol"-style mass audience voting by mobile phone text message or the Internet.

A few weeks ago, SARFT ordered 11 radio shows off the air in southern and central China for talking too explicitly about sex or for broadcasting material of an "extreme pornographic nature."

Regulators have also banned television shows about cosmetic surgery and sex changes, and a talent show that they deemed coarse.

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Student borrowing could harm U.S. economy, experts say

Sharp increases in college costs force turn to loans; graduates unable to shed repayments, high interest rates

Associated Press

The near doubling in the cost of a college degree the past decade has produced an explosion in high-priced student loans that could haunt the U.S. economy for years.

While scholarship, grant money and government-backed student loans — whose interest rates are capped — have taken up some of the slack, many families and individual students have turned to private loans, which carry fees and interest rates that are often variable and up to 20 percent.

Many in the next generation of workers will be so debt-burdened they will have to delay home purchases, limit vacations, even eat out less to pay loans off on time.

Kristin Cole, 30, who graduated from Michigan State University's law school and lives in Grand Rapids, Mich., owes \$150,000 in private and government-backed student loans. Her monthly payment of \$660, which consumes a quarter of her take-home pay, is scheduled to jump to \$800 in a year or so, confronting her with stark financial choices.

"I could never buy a house. I can't travel; I can't do anything," she said. "I feel like a prisoner."

A legal aid worker, Cole said she may need to get a job at a law firm, "doing something that I'm not real dedicated to, just for the sake of being able to live."

Parents are still the primary source of funds for many students, but the dynamics were radically altered in recent years as tuition costs soared and sources of readily available and

more costly private financing made higher education seemingly available to anyone willing to sign a loan application.

Students with no credit history and no relatives to co-sign loans (or co-signing parents with tarnished credit) were willing to bet that high-priced loans were a trade-off for a shot at the American dream. But high-paying jobs are proving elusive for many graduates.

"This is literally a new form of indenture ... something that every American parent should be scared of," said Barmak Nassirian, associate executive director of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.

More than \$17 billion in private student loans were issued last year, up from \$4 billion a year in 2001. Outstanding student borrowing jumped from \$38 billion in 1995 to \$85 billion last year, according to experts and lawmakers.

Rocketing tuition fees made borrowing that much more appealing. Consumer prices on average rose less than 29 percent over the past 10 years while tuition, fees, and room and board at four-year public colleges and universities soared 79 percent to \$12,796 a year and 65 percent to \$30,367 a year at private institutions, according to the College Board.

Scholarship and grant money have increased, yet for almost 15 years, the maximum available per person in government-guaranteed student loans, which by law can't charge rates above 6.8 percent, has remained at \$23,000 total for four years.

That's less than half the average four-year tuition, room and board of \$51,000 at public colleges and \$121,000 at private institutions.

Sallie Mae, formally known as SLM Corp., has been on the winning side of the loan bonanza. Its portfolio of 10 million customers includes \$25 billion in private and \$128 billion in government-backed education loans. However, private-equity investors who had offered \$25 billion to buy the company backed out last week, citing credit market weakness and a new law cutting billions of dollars in subsidies to student lenders.

Citigroup Inc., Bank of America Corp., JPMorgan Chase & Co., Wells Fargo & Co., Wachovia Corp. and Regions Financial Corp. are also big players in the private student loan business. And there has been an explosion in specialized student loan lenders, such as EduCap, Nelnet Inc., NextStudent Inc., Student Loan Corp., College Loan Corp., CIT Group Inc. and Education Finance Partners Inc.

The question is whether everyone who borrowed will be able to repay. Experts don't track default rates on private student loans, but many predict sharp increases in years to come.

Dr. Paul-Henry Zottola, a 35-year-old periodontist in Rocky Hill, Conn., faces paying \$1,600 a month on his student loan on top of a \$2,300 mortgage payment and \$1,500 on the loan he took out to start his practice.

His credit record remains solid but he owes more than \$300,000 in student loans as he and his wife, Heather, an elementary school administrator, raise two young children.

"It would be very easy to feel crushed by it," Zottola said in an interview. "All my income for the next 10 years is spoken for."

Meanwhile, complaints about marketing of private loans — like ads promising to approve loans worth \$50,000 in just minutes — are on the rise. The complaints have made their way to lawmakers, who see a need to regulate the highly profitable and diverse group of companies and the loans they make to college students.

In August, the Senate Banking Committee approved a bill that would mandate clearer disclosure of rates and terms on private student loans. The bill also would require a 30-day comparison shopping period after loan approval, during which time the offer terms could not be altered.

New York Attorney General Andrew Cuomo said many graduates who borrowed owe as much if not more than most homeowners owe on mortgages. Unlike mortgages with clear consumer disclosure requirements — even from nonbank lenders, private lending is "the Wild West of the student loan industry," he said in a telephone interview.

Critics say what happened in the mortgage market could happen in the student loan market. Cuomo, who conducted a nationwide investigation, said the parallels between the two markets are "provocative."

Demand for bundled student loans sold to institutional investors worldwide fueled lending to students. The market for private student loan-backed securities leapt 76 percent last year, to \$16.6 billion, from \$9.4 billion in 2005, according to Moody's Investors Service.

The student loan-backed securities market has yet to suffer noticeable effects of a global credit squeeze that was triggered this summer by a mortgage meltdown of borrowers with risky credit.

"Once the economy starts to slow, you're going to see a large increase of these people in bankruptcy court," said Robert Manning, a professor at Rochester Institute of Technology who has written about college students and credit cards.

A 2005 change to bankruptcy law puts private student loans on par with child support and alimony payments: Lenders can garnish wages if someone doesn't pay.

Cuomo's probe revealed what he calls an "appalling pattern of favoritism" for student lenders that provided kickbacks, revenue-sharing plans and trips to college administrators in exchange for recommended lender status. Other critics allege widespread corrupt arrangements propelled a student loan boom.

Lenders deny such charges, arguing that industry growth resulted from surging education costs and that higher interest rates are justified for unsecured loans to borrowers with blemished or insufficient credit records.

"Lenders take 100 percent of the repayment risk on flexible private-education loans made to people with limited credit histories, on which they will not get repaid for several years," Barry Goulding, a Sallie Mae official, told Congress last spring.

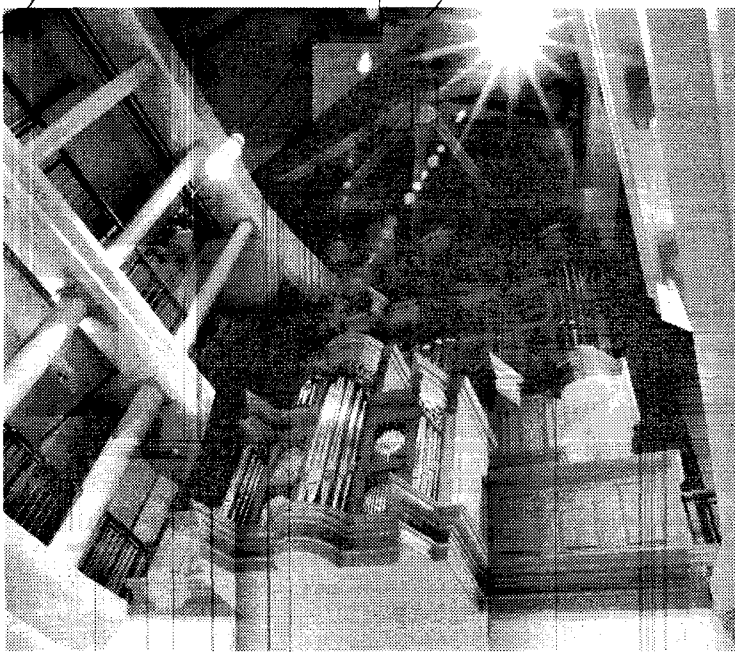
New regulations could dry up access to education financing, he and other industry executives argue. Some experts are skeptical, predicting waves of student loan delinquencies and defaults on what is outstanding.

"This is literally a new form of indenture ... something that every American parent should be scared of."

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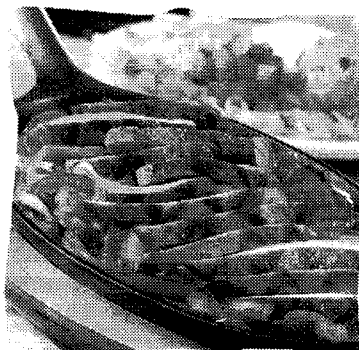
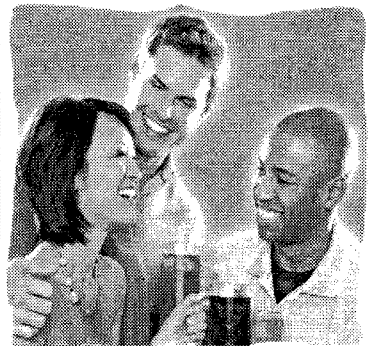
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Hosting ignorance

The content of talk radio in the U.S. was particularly dismal last week, with two broadcasts by leading pundits that quickly turned controversial.

On the Sept. 19 edition of his nationally syndicated radio program, Fox News' Bill O'Reilly discussed his recent visit to Sylvia's, a famous restaurant in Harlem. O'Reilly said, "I couldn't get over the fact that there was no difference between Sylvia's restaurant and any other restaurant in New York City. It was exactly the same, even though it's run by blacks, [with] primarily black patronship."

O'Reilly continued to marvel at the lack of swearing and crude behavior he witnessed during his first meal at Sylvia's: "There wasn't one person in Sylvia's who was screaming 'M-Fer, I want more iced tea.' ... it was like going into an Italian restaurant in an all-white suburb in the sense of people were sitting there, and they were ordering and having fun. And there wasn't any kind of craziness at all."

On September 26, Rush Limbaugh called service members who advocate for U.S. withdrawal of troops from Iraq "phony soldiers" in an interaction with a caller on his nationally broadcast program. He and a caller distinguished between "real soldiers" — defined as those who are proud to serve and who want to be in Iraq — and the "phony soldiers" — those active duty men and women who express dissatisfaction with the war and the current structure of governance in Iraq.

These comments, on one level, are easily dismissed, both by their content and the credibility of the sources: Bill O'Reilly is a constantly criticized news host, who apparently has a 1950s concept of race relations, and whose remarks last week were reminiscent of Don Imus' now-infamous description of the Rutgers

women's basketball team. Rush Limbaugh, akin to his ultra right-wing supporters and the officials he hauls, speaks only in partisan language and fails to recognize that dissent can be, and often is, patriotic.

But the continued prevalence of radio in American life makes this dismissal too easy. Indeed, broadcasts like the recent performances of O'Reilly and Limbaugh raise larger questions about the objectives of talk radio and its hosts, and their impact on the American civic and political scene.

Ninety percent of Americans age 12 or over tune into radio programs each week. Yet a surprising amount of political and talk radio is explicitly conservative-leaning — 91 percent of daily broadcasts, according to a July 2007 report by the Center for American Progress.

This dominance of corporate-owned, conservative stations, says the Center, is due to structural imbalances and not popular demand: "The complete breakdown of the public trustee concept of broadcast, the elimination of clear public interest requirements and the relaxation of ownership rules have tipped the scales against localism and allowed the few to indoctrinate the many." The Center recommends enhanced local ownership and investment in public broadcasting to alleviate this imbalance.

But the solution may be even more personal than that.

Fifty million American listeners tune into news or talk radio programming every week. And yet the public reaction following all-too-frequent offensive remarks by the likes of Imus, O'Reilly and Limbaugh is one of outrage and disbelief. If Americans are going to continue to tune into this programming, which has its television equivalent in much of the political analysis of cable news, they have to demand a higher standard on the

air.

The poor quality of cable news shows is often explained by the quick pace of television programming. While news is on 24/7, hosts and their guests have only minutes to make their points, and thus they fire back and forth at each other, often reducing debate to partisan arguments and buzzwords. But on talk radio, hosts often have a few hours of airtime to discuss an issue, interview experts, or present viewpoints.

Radio outlets like NPR demonstrate that longer stories can facilitate in-depth discussion of controversial issues through thoughtful, well-reasoned arguments, inquiry and interviews.

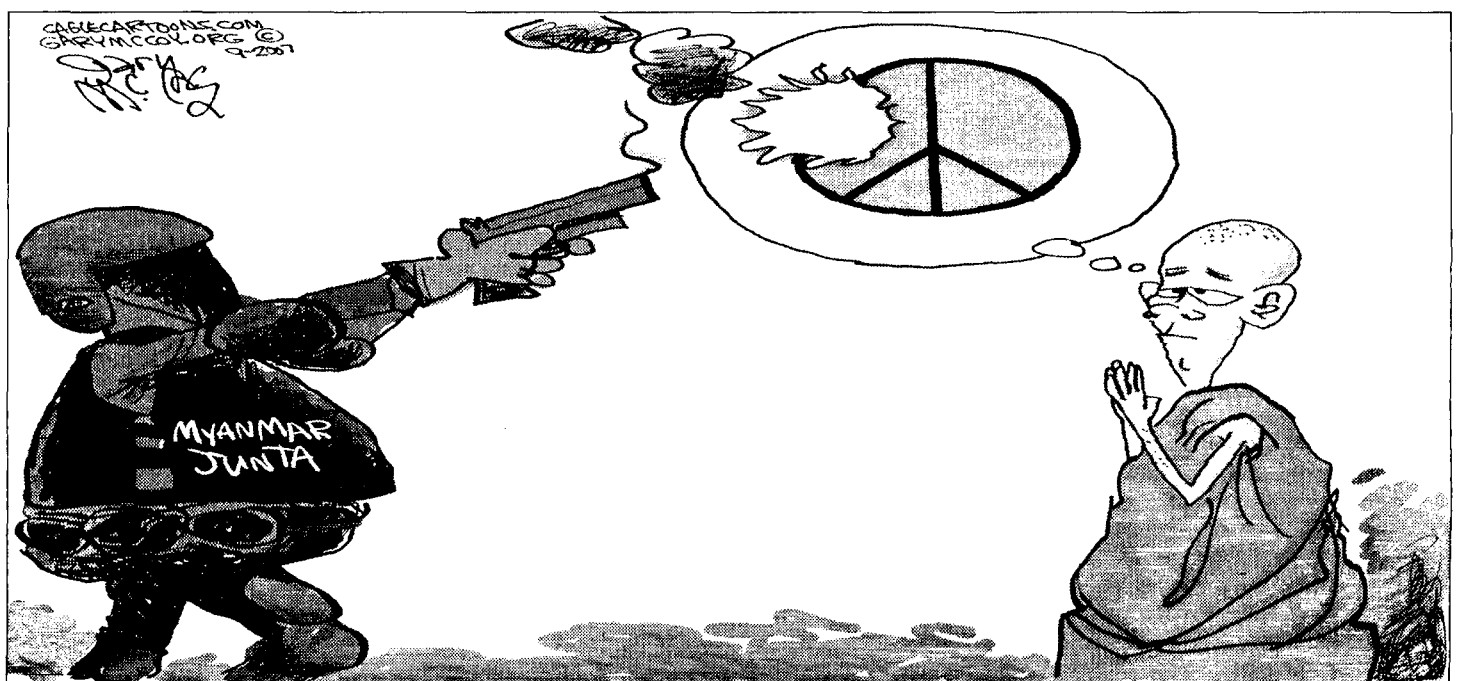
Bill O'Reilly's radio program is two hours daily, while Rush Limbaugh's is three hours — a length of time many news outlets reserve for special reports or emergency programming. Yet both continually fail to present well-reasoned, articulate arguments and viewpoints, and Americans continue tuning in.

What is needed across the board is reform of what is covered and the way it is discussed by some of the leading broadcast figures of our era, but it will not come until audiences demand change. As a collective American audience of both radio and television news programming, we cannot continue to accept a standard of broadcasting that we find outrageous only when ignorance turns offensive.

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Buck Rodgers
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Irish language a relic of the past

Kelsey Robertson, in her Sept. 27 letter to the editor ("Irish language hardly dead") contended that there are massive efforts to preserve the Irish language. After studying in Ireland for a year and living with three Irish women, I must respectfully disagree. Only one of my three roommates spoke Irish, and the one only because she was studying it in the University. Irish is a wonderful language, but it truly has become no more than a relic of the country's history. Sure, the road signs are in Irish, but this is mostly for the large volume of tourists that visit the country every year. The Gaelscoileanna are few and far between, and the language is taught in school as a foreign language — it's akin to learning Spanish in an American elementary school. Worst of all, young people in Ireland have no interest in the language. As the native speakers die out, who's left to resurrect the language?

While I did not attend O Tuathaigh's lecture, as a recent resident of the country I do believe that the decline of the Irish language is so severe that it won't be resurrected any time soon. I urge Ms. Robertson to immerse herself fully in the modern Irish culture — perhaps she'd agree with me.

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Green with envy

"That would be cool if you could eat a good food with a bad food, and the good food would cover for the bad food when it got to your stomach. Like you could eat a carrot with an onion ring, and they would travel down to your stomach, then they would get there, and the carrot would say, 'It's cool, he's with me.'" This is a joke from Mitch Hedberg about offsetting the good with the bad, the idea that opposites simply counteract each other with no ill effects.

Our minds tend to work that way all the time — a bad deed is canceled out by a good deed, a brownie is canceled out by eating some celery, etc. This rationalization has recently been applied to a new trend called carbon neutrality, a movement to even out carbon emissions by reducing them in some other aspect of life. This is why instead of physically reducing your carbon emissions, you can now just pay someone to get of rid of your environmental guilt. Sweet!

Web sites like BeGreenNow.com offer carbon calculators to create an estimate of how much carbon you individually add to the atmosphere, and then offer a price for neutralizing that carbon for you. Companies can utilize different ways to balance out carbon emissions through wind turbines and other sources of energy efficiency, according to an article in The Los Angeles Times. And as easily as you could check out at a grocery store, your guilt for polluting the environment is lifted.

With just 12 easy monthly payments of \$11.67, I could have reveled in the fact that I wasn't adding to the pollution like some of my fellow citizens — but alas, I did not. While it's nice to think you can pay off someone to cover up the footprints left on the planet via pollution, it isn't really a solution to the problem of carbon emissions. Carbon neutrality doesn't do anything to reduce carbon emissions; it only aims to even out the end result. The problem is that we emit way too much carbon to begin with, so how is it

really progressive to maintain the status quo?

Environmental change is a lifestyle change, and it can't be achieved if everyone simply wants to pollute the environment under the pretense that someone else will fix it later. You may enjoy eating that cookie after your healthy meal, but a diet isn't going to make you healthier if you find ways to rationalize eating unhealthy food. In much the same way, carbon emissions need to be reduced, and this does not happen without conscious efforts on our behalf. What BeGreenNow does offer is a list of ways to reduce carbon emissions that people should read and take into account — carpooling, using fluorescent light bulbs, etc. — to change their lifestyles so that they begin and continue to reduce carbon emissions.

Of course, some organizations use this money to fund renewable energy and other green-related projects, so I am not out to attack people for using monetary profit for environmental profit. However, this plan is not a foolproof one. We are dealing with carbon here, so the bartering system is a little more difficult to measure out. Carbon is a gas, not a solid or a liquid, so a lot of the estimates are just that — approximations — not to mention the calculator is only accurate compared to how precisely you know how much electricity and natural gas you use.

Carbon neutrality is as ridiculous as assuming that your body will cancel out the onion ring's greasiness because of the carrot's vitamins. Polluting the environment is still adding carbon to the atmosphere, whether you pay someone else to offset it or not. This is a problem that will only begin to subside when we make conscious efforts to reverse the effects we have had on the environment, not merely keep them at bay.

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JARED WAFER | Observer Graphic

I've got a fever, and the only prescription is ... less Fever?

I know that you Fever-ites are probably incredulous right now. Your beloved "Feve," your thirsty-thirsty haven of screaming conversations and long entrance lines, lambasted here in public. How dare I? Well, let me just say that it's not personal.

I understand that Club Fever (or Feva-Feve, or Club Fiebre — what have you) tries hard. OK, they try really hard. For starters, Thursday night is student night. That means that after a 30-minute wait in the outside alley, the friendly bouncing staff will let you in for only \$4. Once inside, pay just \$5 for a drink and spend the rest of the night getting sweat on by a semi-conscious 23-year old. All the while, DJ CK-1 spins the hottest dance tracks this side of Mishawaka. Party on! Oh, but the fun doesn't end there.

This place is huge. Beyond huge. We're talking 16,000 square feet of sweat-soaked, dance-crazed college students huge. I like what the basement tries to do. This area has a large bar and pool tables — never mind there are only a

handful of tables for the masses. But unfortunately, the basement pretty much clears out while the night is still young.

Just as Fever was winning me over, they start to lose me again.

For a change of pace, head upstairs. Here we are — our own little slice of Euro-club bliss in South Bend, Ind. If you haven't been there, think remix heaven, club beats and lots of perspiring dancers. Throw in a few dance cages and you might as well be in Prague.

The good news about the Feve is you will almost definitely see someone you know. On a Thursday, this place packs them in like South Dining Hall on chicken fingers night. Everywhere you go, you'll see a familiar face. The problem is that standing and having a conversation is next to impossible. In addition to the fact you'll be screaming trying to hear each other, every third word will get interrupted by a drunken clubber trucking you like Mike Alstott. If you thought that 5'2", 107-pound girl in your Gender Studies class couldn't pack a punch, just wait until she hits you like a freight train. Fun!

But it gets better. Club Fiebre is located right in the heart of downtown. When the club closes at 3 a.m., the drunken masses pour out the doors to wander aimlessly around the streets of South Bend.



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Despite the allure of dancing, alcohol and house music, the clubbing experience invariably has its ups and downs.

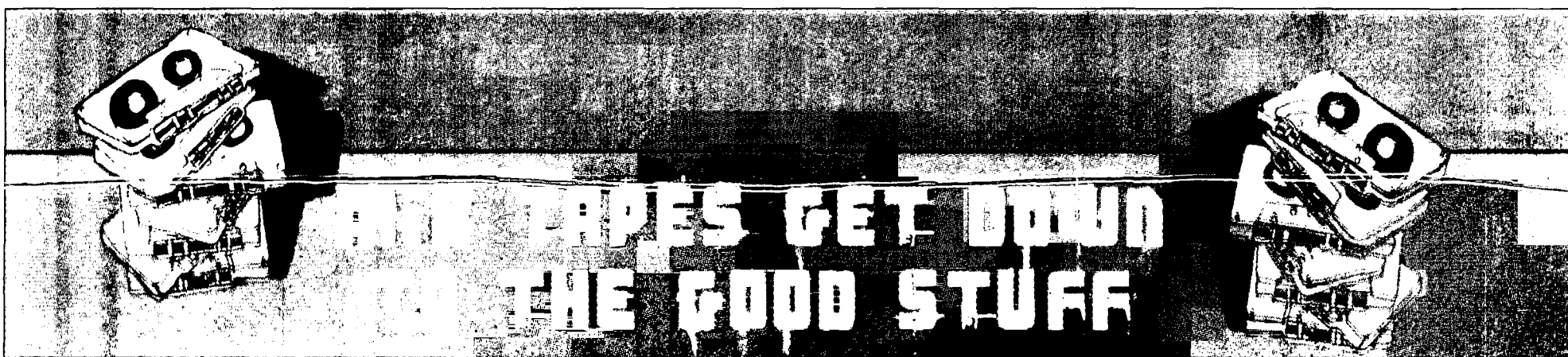
Fortunately, the area is very safe, and only three of my friends have gotten mugged this semester. Of course, this is hardly the Feve's fault, but simply adds to the overall "allure" of the place.

Dozens of my friends love Fever, but truth be told, it's just not my scene. But as far as Thursday nights go, there's not much else to be had for a night on the town. I'm sure I've offended some of the

Fever aficionados, so if you take exception to this article, feel free to contact me — my office hours are Thursdays, the basement of Club Fever, from 12 – 3 a.m.

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JARED WAFER | Observer Graphic

This past weekend, I had the privilege of staffing the Sophomore Road Trip, a mysterious Campus Ministry retreat held in an undisclosed (read: If I told you, I'd have to kill you) locale.

While I had a variety of things to prepare for this weekend, one of my major tasks was putting together a mix CD for the sophomores to keep after we parted ways on Sunday afternoon. It was easy enough, in an age of iTunes and singles, right?

Or so I thought.

As I spent hours putting together what I deemed to be the best blend of songs, I realized that I was investing an almost unhealthy amount of emotion in the process. With other leaders' suggestions and heated internal debates, I wanted to make this mix the icing on the cake that was our weekend. Looking back, what I sought was much more than a collection of songs; I wanted this mix to be perfect.

The mix tape has been part of our musical consciousness since man first pieced together songs of his choosing, outside of their original albums, with the invention of a newfangled object — the cassette tape. With this unassuming little device, music mavens and casual listeners alike were suddenly their own personal deejays, all in

the privacy and comfort of their own homes.

Since those dark days of the 1980s, we've moved on to CD players, mp3s and other ways of creating mixes, but the art of the act itself is still the same. You can tailor whatever songs you choose to the listener, all while putting a little piece of your heart and soul into the choices you make. This inconspicuous collection of songs is an extension of "you" — three-minute nuggets of music serving to sum up a message, a feeling or even a whole relationship.

In the musical "Avenue Q," the main character, Princeton, makes a simple mix tape for his friend Kate Monster. Kate, who's interested in Princeton, analyzes the tape to try and understand the guy who made it. "'I Am the Walrus'... 'Fat-Bottomed Girls'... 'Yellow Submarine'... what does this mean?' she says. When she hears songs like 'She's Got a Way' and 'A Whole New World' on the tape, she can't help but want to see a glimmer of Princeton's feelings in the musical choices he's made.

To be honest, who wouldn't do the same? If your cute study partner from chemistry lab made you a mix CD, you'd be intrigued, even if you weren't sure you were all that interested.

Why?

In a bookstore back home, I recently noticed Rob Sheffield's memoir, "Love Is a



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In the musical "Avenue Q," Princeton (John Tartaglia), right, gives his friend and love interest, Kate Monster (Stephanie D'Abruzzo), a mix tape.

Mix Tape: Life and Loss, One Song at a Time." In the book, whose chapters begin with a different mix, Sheffield says that a good mix "steals moments from all over the musical cosmos and splices them into a whole new groove."

More than that, though, the book shows us what good mixes, or even music in general, can do for us emotionally. It's as though the nuances of each track sum up what words can't get right — the nitty-gritty of "us," the emotional guts of our bodies — through music and poetry.

Maybe I'm taking this way too seriously. In the end, it's just a bunch of songs on a CD. Isn't the semi-annual "Now (That's

What I Call Music)" series the best example of what mixes essentially are — nothing more than a collection of what's around?

But then I look at the retreat mix — how I handpicked Billy Joel's "Vienna;" how Coldplay's "The Scientist" fit perfectly with someone's retreat talk; how we woke up the sophomores with "Life Is a Highway" each morning at sunrise — and I can't help but think that there's more to it than that.

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Purdue 33, Notre Dame 19

Not quite there

Despite inspired second half, Notre Dame fails to overcome 23-0 halftime deficit



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Boilermakers cornerback Terrell Vinson deflects a pass intended for Irish wide receiver George West in the first quarter of Purdue's 33-19 win Saturday over Notre Dame in West Lafayette, Ind. Purdue improved to 5-0 this season, and Notre Dame fell to 0-5.

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Writer

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Notre Dame scored three second-half touchdowns, but the Irish fell to a program-worst 0-5 and Purdue held on for a 33-19 victory Saturday at Ross-Ade Stadium in West Lafayette, Ind.

Purdue senior quarterback Curtis Painter completed 22-of-37 passes for 252 yards with two touchdowns and a pair of interceptions. Purdue established its passing game after senior Kory Sheets ran all over the Irish in the first quarter. Sheets finished the game with 141 yards on 27 carries, but he was most effective in the first and fourth quarters.

Purdue became the seventh straight team to score at least 30 points against Notre Dame, but the Irish threatened late for the first time this season.

Junior quarterback Evan Sharpley threw his first two touchdown passes in a rally

that saw Notre Dame pull within a touchdown with seven minutes remaining after falling behind 23-0 in the first half.

"We started feeding off each other a little bit, the line was blocking well and receivers were making plays," Sharpley said. "It was exciting to be on the field."

Sharpley took over at quarterback in the middle of the third quarter when freshman Jimmy Clausen left the game for good with a hip injury. Clausen picked up his first collegiate passing touchdown on his last complete drive of the game.

The freshman rolled out of the pocket on fourth-and-goal and found fifth-year tight end John Carlson, who made a diving catch to put the Irish on the board.

"Jimmy threw me a ball that I could catch, and I went and caught it," Carlson said. "It really isn't anything more than that."

Notre Dame's offensive line began to solidify for the first

time this season. It allowed 27 sacks in the team's first four games but only two Saturday.

"We came in at halftime and coach really challenged us to step up," sophomore left tackle Sam Young said. "Now it's just maintaining it, getting that consistency factor, we have to put the first and the second half together."

In the first half, the Boilermakers had five possessions that reached the red zone but scored only two touchdowns. The Boilermakers kicked three field goals and had their final drive end on an interception.

Purdue's field-position edge came in large part because of Notre Dame's mistakes.

Senior Terrell Vinson intercepted an ill-advised pass from Clausen and returned it to the Notre Dame 25-yard line. Six plays later, Chris Summers put Purdue up 13-0 with his second field goal of the game.

Nine minutes and one Boilermaker touchdown later,

Irish freshman Armando Allen fumbled a screen pass which was picked up by Purdue on the Notre Dame 14. Summers added another field goal at the end of the drive, this one from 26 yards out, to put the Boilermakers ahead by 23.

But the Irish showed some fight.

"The bottom line is you can't come out and wait until half time to start playing the game," Irish coach Charlie Weis said. "Fortunately you fought back to get in the game, but really you lost the game in the first half."

Notre Dame abandoned the running game that had looked promising in last week's 31-14 loss to Michigan State and instead turned to its young receiving corps to move the ball down the field, picking up big chunks of yardage at a time.

Sophomore Robby Parris had seven catches for 93 yards, and freshman Golden Tate made three crucial catches — including a 25-yard touchdown score that closed the Irish deficit to

seven at 26-19 with eight minutes remaining in the game.

"To be honest with you a couple of those were 'draw-them-up-in-the-dirt plays,'" Weis said. "I said, 'Run a go, we're throwing it to you.' Real good coaching on my part."

Freshman Duval Kamara also picked up a touchdown on one of his six catches in the game.

"It's encouraging to see these young guys step up and make big catches," Carlson said.

The Irish looked poised for a comeback until Purdue's Dorian Bryant took the following kick-off, a short squib-style effort, to the 41-yard line. Painter led the Boilermakers to the 14-yard line and then found an open Dustin Keller along the Purdue sideline for an acrobatic touchdown catch.

Painter's second passing touchdown of the game all but iced Purdue's fifth win of the year and first over Weis.

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players of the game

Kory Sheets

Purdue's running back had 141 yards on 27 carries and one touchdown and exposed the middle of Notre Dame's rush defense.

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377

Total passing yards for the Irish. Clausen had 169 yards and Sharpley had 208 to jumpstart Notre Dame's air attack.

play of the game

Dustin Keller's 14-yard touchdown catch from Curtis Painter.

Keller's touchdown reception with 5:33 left gave Purdue a 33-19 lead and killed any hope Notre Dame had of coming back.

quote of the game

"It could have gotten really bad or become a very competitive game, and it became a very competitive game."

Charlie Weis
Irish coach

report card

B+

quarterbacks: Clausen and Sharpley combined for 377 yards on 34-of-52 passing but had two interceptions. Sharpley led the Irish comeback, and the passing game showed signs of life.

D

running backs: Notre Dame's running game went dormant this week after a solid performance against Michigan State. Allen was the leading rusher with 25 yards on six carries.

A

receivers: Golden Tate stole the show in the second half, catching three go routes for 104 yards. Parris added 93 yards and Carlson made an outstanding touchdown catch.

B

offensive line: The line did a much better job in pass protection — only allowing two sacks — but Notre Dame's running game was nonexistent this week.

C+

defensive line: Kory Sheets ran for 141 yards on 27 carries, and Painter had all day to throw. Laws did have three tackles for loss, but Purdue had few problems blocking the Irish.

C

linebackers: Purdue's spread offense forced the linebackers to go into coverage with little success. Sheets cut right through the linebackers into the secondary on multiple occasions.

C

defensive backs: Painter passed for 252 yards and two touchdowns and two interceptions. The secondary tightened up in the second half, but the damage was done in the first half.

F

special teams: Two missed extra points took away some of the momentum the Irish gained in the second half. The kick coverage allowed Purdue to get excellent field position.

B-

coaching: Notre Dame came out flat in the first half, but the turnaround in the second half was due in part to Weis' halftime message. The Irish still made dumb penalties the coaches need to correct.

2.15

overall: Notre Dame took another step forward Saturday but still hasn't played a full 60 minutes of "winning" football.

adding up the numbers

Notre Dame's total passing yards in the second half. The Irish had 377 total for the game. **272**

5 Running backs that have gained at least 100 yards rushing against Notre Dame this season.

Yards Notre Dame gave up on its 11 penalties. **110**

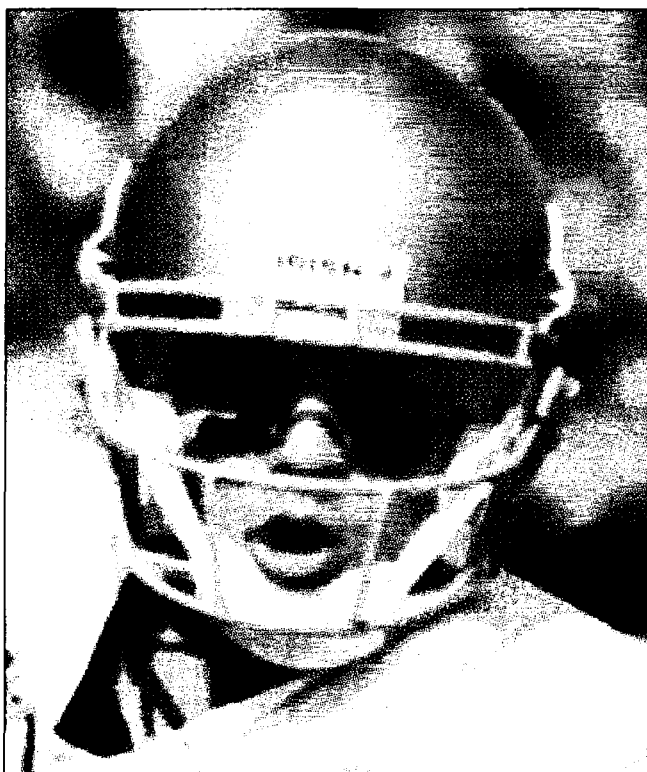
161 Purdue's total offensive yards in the first quarter. The Boilermakers finished with 371 for the game.

National ranking of Purdue's total offense this season. **10**

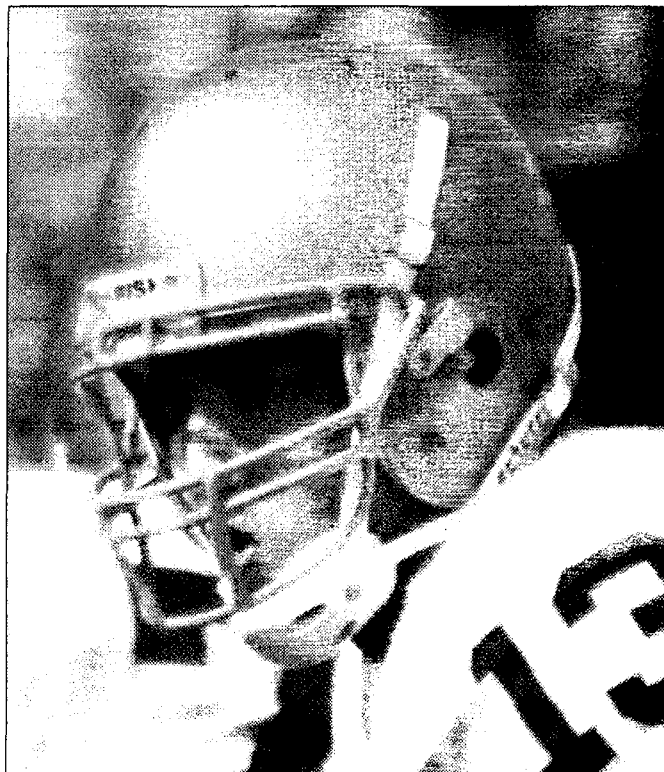
29 Sacks allowed by Notre Dame's offensive line this season. Purdue had two sacks Saturday.

Average net yardage of Notre Dame's kickoffs. **34.5**

26.3 Percentage of third downs Notre Dame converted this season, good for 116th in the nation. The Irish were 5-of-16 Saturday.



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Notre Dame quarterbacks Jimmy Clausen, left, and Evan Sharpley combined for 377 yards on 34-of-52 passing Saturday. Clausen left the game with an injury in the third quarter, and Sharpley threw for two touchdowns in his absence.

Irish show their true colors

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — If you were a fly on the wall of Notre Dame's locker room during halftime of Purdue's 33-19 win over the Irish Saturday, your eardrum — or whatever organ flies use to hear — is probably broken.



Chris Hine

Sports Editor

With Notre Dame down 23-0, a fed-up Charlie Weis let his team have it. "This time, it was a little more rough at halftime because I just had about enough about going out there and being down 23-0 at halftime," Weis said. "And it was a collective effort, it was offense, defense, special teams ... but when you put yourself down 23-0, I had just enough of playing losing football and I told them they better be planning on trying to win a game."

The Irish had two options. Notre Dame could have half-heartedly played the second half and turned Saturday's game into Michigan, Part II. Or, the Irish could come out and show they have heart, regardless of the final outcome. The Irish chose the latter.

Yes, Notre Dame is 0-5, and yes, Saturday's game again showed there

are problems on both sides of the ball. People much better than me at analyzing football have made that painfully clear. But this game showed something that had been hiding the first four weeks of the season — Notre Dame's character.

A team does not develop character if the quarterback does not have it, but Notre Dame has two quarterbacks who displayed they have what it takes to lead the team.

Freshman Jimmy Clausen, whose body has taken more shots this season than Sonny Corleone at the toll-booth, delivered a 25-yard strike to Duval Kamara with the rush in his face on Notre Dame's second drive of the third quarter. Clausen could have rolled out to avoid the rush and miss his opportunity to hit Kamara, or he could have just fallen down to avoid the big hit.

After all, the Irish were down 23-0. Who could blame him? But Clausen stood in there, took the hit and got the completion. Clausen played the next few downs before heading to the sideline with an injury. He tried to return, but it was obvious he couldn't play anymore.

Say what you will about his development as a quarterback, but Clausen showed he has the toughness and the leadership to play at the college level. While his status for next week is uncertain, Irish fans should feel safe that they have a

quarterback who will do whatever it takes to win, no matter what the risk.

Junior Evan Sharpley, twice passed over for the starting job, replaced Clausen with aplomb. Sharpley could have transferred or quit football to focus on baseball, and it would be hard to blame him. He realizes he will probably be the backup the next two years, but he is still on the team, biding his time — and, most importantly, not complaining.

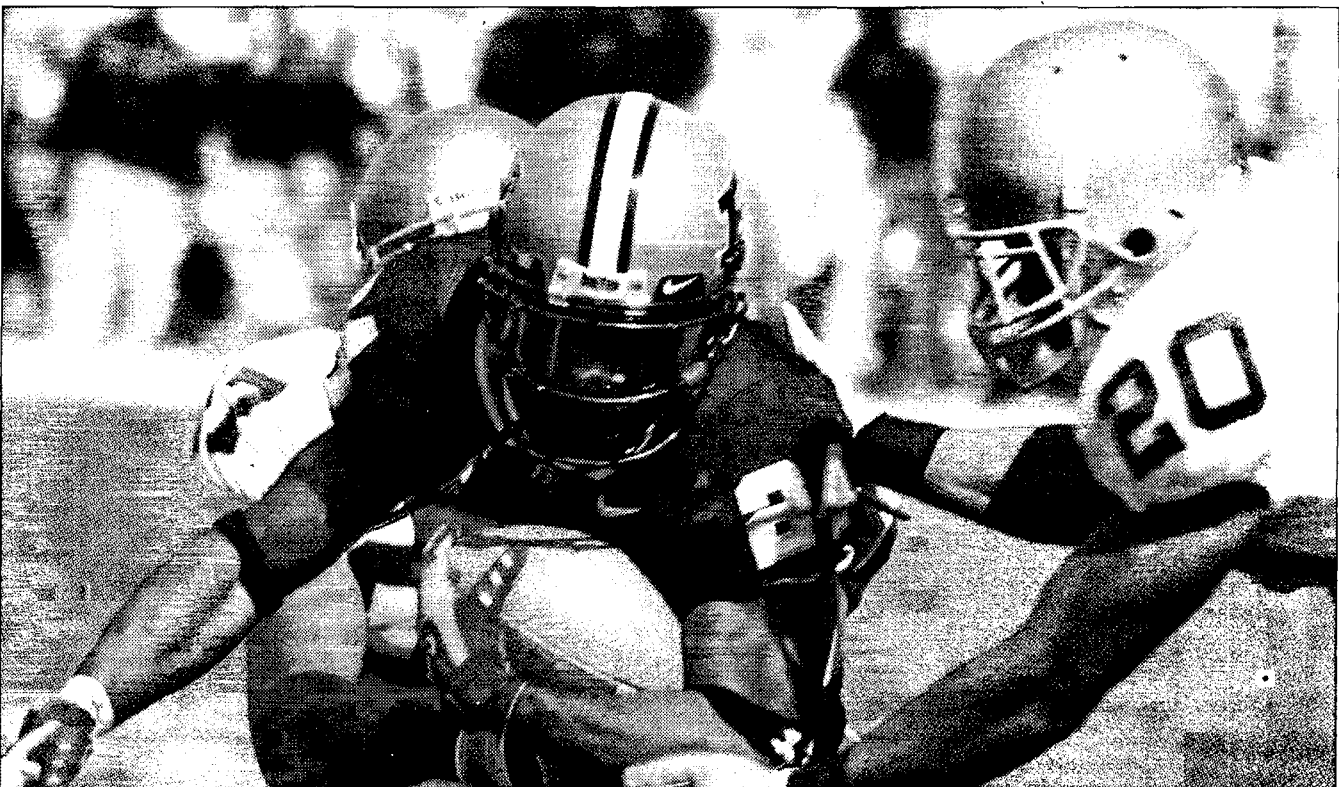
He didn't have to take a snap Saturday to prove his character, but he got another chance and made the most of it, throwing for 208 yards and two touchdowns in less than a half of play.

Sharpley and Clausen's determination filtered to the rest of the team and made them play inspired football in the second half. The offensive line protected well, the receivers played their best game of the season and the defense kept the comeback alive.

Despite the abysmal first half, Notre Dame improved against Purdue and that elusive first win is going to come. Even though the Irish have lost their first five games, they finally have a winning attitude.

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Purdue running back Kory Sheets carries the ball while Irish safety David Bruton and corner back Terrail Lambert attempt to bring him down.

Spread offense gives defense fits

By BILL BRINK
Sports Writer

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — The theme was familiar, but the underlying causes were new.

Once again, an opponent tore through Notre Dame's defense, yet a surprising second-half offensive surge ensured it got some rest in the second half. But in the first half, the Irish defense had trouble containing its opponent, a phenomenon not uncommon this season but often overshadowed by the team's offensive struggles.

The problem was simple: Stack the box to stop the run and Purdue senior quarterback Curtis Painter would slice through the thinned-out secondary with three and four-wide receiver sets; play extra cornerbacks to take away the pass and senior running back Kory Sheets would take advantage of the resulting holes.

The Irish, with an undersized defensive line and relatively slow linebackers, did neither. Painter completed 22-of-37 passes for 252 yards and two touchdowns and Sheets rushed 27 times for 141 yards and a touchdown.

At times, Notre Dame abandoned its new 3-4 scheme and played the nickel, with four linemen and two linebackers, to counter the spread offense. To do this, the Irish moved sophomore John Ryan from outside linebacker to defensive end. Ryan said that the four-man line was hit-or-miss in its attempt to pressure Painter.

"I think sometimes we put good pressure on him and there were other times where we could have done a better job," he said.

Regardless of the change in scheme, Purdue's athleticism proved to be the main factor in the defense's problems. Its receivers — in particular senior Dorian Bryant, who finished with eight catches for 82 yards — were too quick for the Irish secondary to cover one-on-one, a situation that the spread offense created often.

"That's part off the spread offense," Ryan said. "They spread you out and make you play in space. That was a big part of it, spreading us out."

Purdue's offensive linemen only allowed two sacks on 37 pass attempts.

"I feel like we didn't get enough pressure," defensive end Trevor Laws said. "At some points, we were back there, but I felt like overall we didn't do a good enough job of beating them to the space and disrupting."

The Boilermakers showed an example of this weakness in the first quarter. After a running play lost eight yards and a sack cost them another 11, Purdue faced a third-and-29 on its own 16-yard line. On the next play, Painter found junior receiver Greg Orton on the right sideline, a step



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Notre Dame linebacker Brian Smith hits Boilermakers quarterback Curtis Painter in Purdue's 33-19 victory over Notre Dame.

ahead of sophomore cornerback Darrin Walls, for a 40-yard gain that gave Purdue a first down on Notre Dame's 43-yard line.

"We were playing good, I thought, first and second downs," Laws said. "A lot of times, we had them on third and longs, we weren't getting enough pressure up front and some guys in the back ends weren't making the plays."

When the Irish secondary was able to provide adequate coverage, Purdue switched to the run. Sheets had the middle of the field at his disposal and broke through the line for big gains. With the defense spread all over the field, no one remained to cover the middle, something Laws said was an important part of the spread offense.

"That's what they do. That's how they move the ball, they spread everybody out and find the middle," Laws said.

To further complicate matters, Purdue found ways to create mismatches and isolate Irish defenders, most often senior linebacker Maurice Crum Jr. and senior safety Tom Zbikowski, in unfavorable single-coverage matchups. Crum and

Zbikowski found themselves covering the slot receiver or backs coming out of the backfield.

"They're just finding ways to get their playmakers the ball," Crum said. "They're just aligning them different places and just trying to create mismatches."

With 5:33 left in the game, Crum found himself covering senior receiver Dustin Keller. Keller got behind Crum and caught a 14-yard touchdown pass. Crum also lost track of Sheets on a corner route out of the backfield that would have been a touchdown if Painter hadn't overthrown the pass. Senior wide receiver Jake Standeford managed to shake Zbikowski's coverage in the second quarter and again was open for a big play had Painter put the pass on target.

Crum said the hardest part of defending against the spread offense was its unpredictability.

"The ball can go anywhere," he said. "That it's not just designed to go to one person, it can go anywhere."

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scoring summary

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Notre Dame	0	0	6	13	19
Purdue	10	13	3	7	33

First quarter

Purdue 3, Notre Dame 0

Chris Summers 27-yard field goal with 10:45 remaining.

Drive: 10 plays, 54 yards, 4:15 elapsed.

Purdue 10, Notre Dame 0

Kory Sheets 1-yard run with 5:49 remaining (Summers kick).

Drive: 8 plays, 80 yards, 2:43 elapsed.

Second quarter

Purdue 13, Notre Dame 0

Summers 34-yard field goal with 11:54 remaining.

Drive: 6 plays, 8 yards, 1:19 elapsed.

Purdue 20, Notre Dame 0

Dorian Bryant 11-yard reception from Curtis Painter with 4:46 remaining (Summers kick).

Drive: 11 plays, 81 yards, 4:46 elapsed.

Purdue 23, Notre Dame 0

Summers 29-yard field goal with 0:28 remaining.

Drive: 11 plays, 56 yards, 3:21 elapsed.

Third quarter

Purdue 23, Notre Dame 6

John Carlson 5-yard reception from Jimmy Clausen with 7:55 remaining (Brandon Walker kick failed).

Drive: 6 plays, 37 yards, 2:06 elapsed.

Purdue 26, Notre Dame 6

Summers 29-yard field goal with 0:28 remaining.

Drive: 11 plays, 56 yards, 3:21 elapsed.

Fourth quarter

Purdue 26, Notre Dame 12

Duval Kamara 7-yard reception from Evan Sharpley with 12:43 remaining (Nate Whitaker kick failed).

Drive: 11 plays, 81 yards, 2:45 elapsed.

Purdue 26, Notre Dame 19

Golden Tate 25-yard reception from Evan Sharpley with 7:58 remaining (Whitaker kick).

Drive: 14 plays, 79 yards, 3:40 elapsed.

Purdue 33, Notre Dame 19

Dustin Keller 14-yard reception from Curtis Painter with 5:33 remaining (Summers kick).

Drive: 5 plays, 59 yards, 2:25 elapsed.

statistics

rushing yards

PU	119
ND	49

passing yards

PU	252
ND	377

time of possession

PU	33:06
ND	26:54



passing

Clausen	18-26-1	Painter	22-37-2
Sharpley	16-26-2		

rushing

Allen	6-25	Sheets	27-141
Jabbie	4-16	Dierking	4-9
Clausen	3-13	Painter	5-1
Aldridge	5-9		

receiving

Tate	3-104	Bryant	8-82
Parris	7-93	Keller	5-36
Kamara	6-68	Orton	3-55
Carlson	5-30	Lymon	2-28
West	4-37	B. Whittington	1-24

tackling

Brockington	9	Keglar	9
Zbikowski	7	Ferguson	8
Ryan	6	Bick	6
Laws	6	Vinson	5

Wenger and Stewart miss trip to Purdue

By DAN MURPHY
Associate Sports Editor

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Notre Dame offensive linemen Dan Wenger and Chris Stewart did not make the trip to Purdue. Stewart was excused from practice Thursday for personal reasons, Notre Dame football media director Brian Hardin said.

Taking chances

Notre Dame was 4-of-6 on fourth downs against Purdue, including two successful conversions during its 79-yard touchdown drive to make the score 26-19 in the fourth quarter. Freshman quarterback Jimmy Clausen had a fourth-and-goal touchdown pass to senior tight end John Carlson in the third quarter.

Weis has gone for it on fourth down 12 times this season, and the Irish have been successful on eight attempts.

All these things that they have done

Purdue turned two Notre Dame turnovers into six points in the first half. Both drives started inside the Irish 25-yard line. Opponents have piled up 43 points off Irish turnovers this season, while Notre Dame has 21 points on drives resulting from take-aways.

All or nothing at all

The Irish offense produced five passing plays of 20 or more yards against Purdue. Freshman Golden Tate had three long receptions (25, 26 and 43 yards),

and sophomore Robby Parris had catches of 24 and 21 yards.

Prior to Saturday's game, Notre Dame had only two passing plays that went longer than 20 yards.

Wake me up when September ends

Saturday's loss drops Irish coach Charlie Weis's record to 7-7 in the month of September. The coach also dropped to 6-7 when going up against a previously undefeated team.

Not-so-Modest Maust

Sophomore punter Eric Maust started for the Irish and booted three kicks for an average of 44 yards per punt. Maust set a career high with a 48-yard punt in the second quarter.

They are merely freshmen

Tate and Duval Kamara both recorded their first career touchdowns against the Boilermakers.

Tate scored on a 25-yard touchdown pass with eight minutes remaining in the game. Kamara's score came on a 7-yard toss from Sharpley to make the score 23-12.

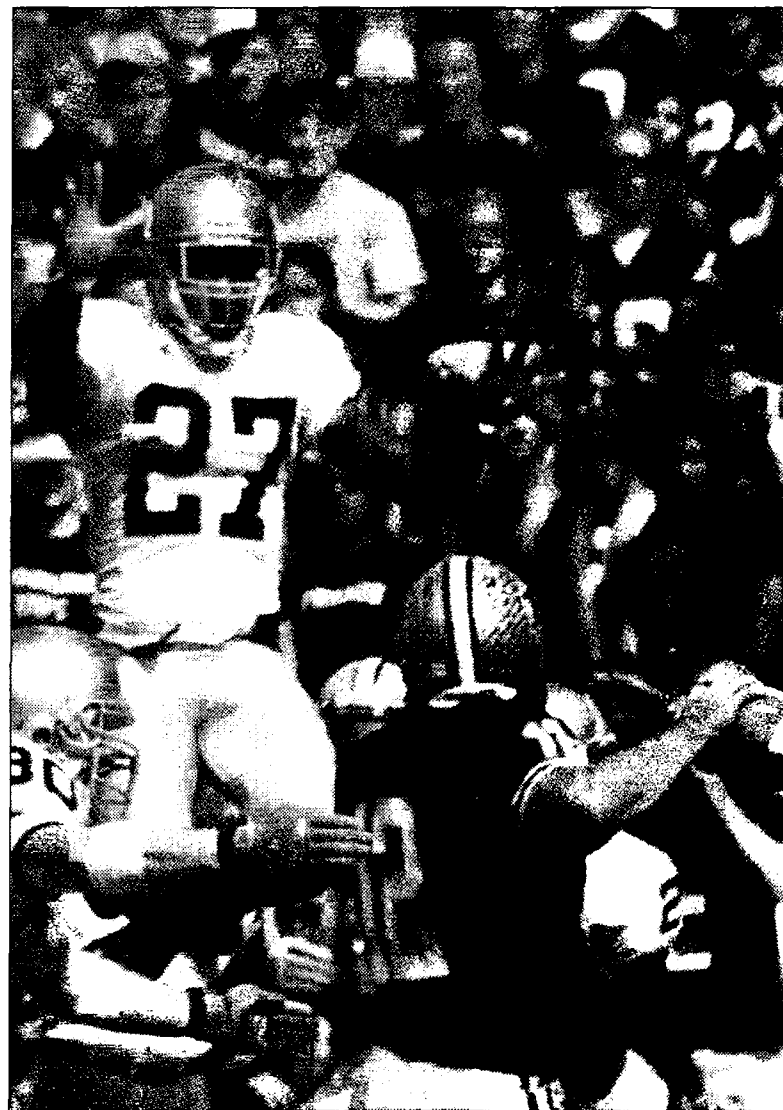
Kicking and screaming

Irish kickers Brandon Walker and Nate Whitaker failed to convert extra points on Notre Dame's first two touchdowns. Whitaker punched it through on his third attempt, but only after an offsides penalty negated an earlier miss.

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A half too late

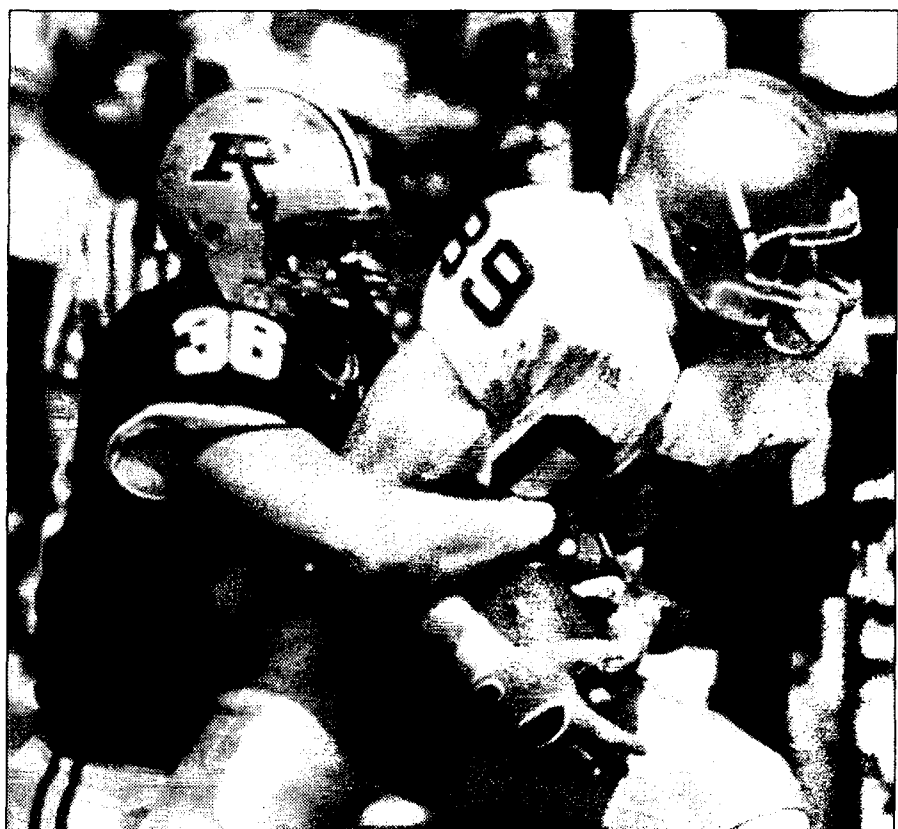
Notre Dame (0-5) came out Saturday and fell behind quickly against Purdue (5-0). The Irish defense could not stop Boilermakers running back Kory Sheets and quarterback Curtis Painter. Meanwhile, Notre Dame's offense only picked up four first downs in the first half. At halftime, Purdue was on top 23-0. The slow start was similar to the first half Notre Dame had against Michigan two weeks ago in Ann Arbor, but this time the Irish came out and played their best football of the season in the second half. Junior quarterback Evan Sharpley came in for an injured Jimmy Clausen and completed 16-of-26 passes for 208 yards and two touchdowns. Wide receiver Golden Tate had three receptions for 104 yards and one touchdown, but Notre Dame's comeback effort fell short. Dustin Keller's 14-yard touchdown catch with 5:33 left iced Purdue's victory and put off Notre Dame's first win at least another week.



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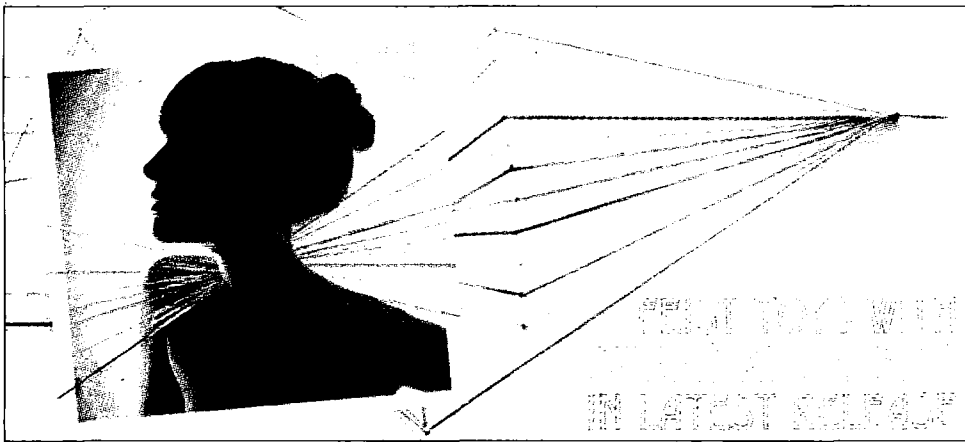


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Top left, Purdue cornerback Terrell Vinson intercepts a pass in the fourth quarter. Top right, Irish safety David Bruton jumps while Purdue quarterback Curtis Painter looks to throw. Middle, Irish tight end John Carlson catches a touchdown pass. Bottom right, Carlson drags Purdue linebacker Dan Bick. Bottom left, Irish wideout Golden Tate makes one of his three receptions.



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By TAE ANDREWS
Scene Editor

Unless you happen to live under a rock, chances are you've seen and heard Feist's new music video, "1234," on the latest iPod Nano commercial from the creative marketing department at Apple.

Like the Apple corporation itself, Canadian singer/songwriter Leslie Feist offers an innovative approach as she establishes herself as a fresh face on the music scene with her latest album, "The Reminder."

The talented and multidimensional Feist has an extensive palette which she uses to paint her musical numbers. But what makes her different as an artist is her clear, piercing voice, which ranges from a breathy purr to a wistful wail. At times she sounds like Alanis Morissette and other times her distinct vocals bring Cat Power or Dido to mind.

Capable of alternately speeding things up and slowing them down, Feist's soulful sound has a variety of musical influences including gospel, some snazzy jazz and even touch of folk. Her tone ranges from the spirited to the subdued, and at times Feist even manages to put the "subtle" in "rhythm and blues."

Feist makes good use of a variety of instruments including the piano, clanging twangy guitars, chimes, flutes and her hands. Many of the tracks on "The Reminder" inspire a lot of finger-snapping and toe-tapping as Feist leads her listeners on clap-alongs.

"The Reminder" serves as a case study in simplicity. Despite the many instruments Feist uses, her sound carries a minimalist feel to it and the album remains understated in tone. In addition

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to its New Age combination of jazz and other musical genres, the album also has a laid-back, melancholy feel to it as Feist's sad but strong notes hang in the air. It's the type of music you feel like you should listen to inside a jazz club or cocktail lounge.

The hip music video for "1234" features Feist decked out in a sharp blue dress engaged in some artsy choreographed dance with a slew of people dressed in different colors. This paint-by-the-numbers jam features some feel-good piano chords, folks guitar twanging and triumphant trumpet-ing. With lyrics such as "one two three four five six nine or ten / money can't buy you the love you had back then," Feist sings an anti-material ode to the innocence of high school romance.

Some of the highlights on "The Reminder" include the following:

◆"Brandy Alexander," which features a slow, finger-snapping beat with pleasant piano chords.

◆"The Limit to Your Love" carries an ominous, foreboding sound with a heavy, thumping tambourine beat overlaid with piano ivory and finished with a violin.

◆On "Past in Present," Feist employs a vocal filter paired with a clap-along beat and makes good use of a broad variety of instruments including the piano, guitars, chimes, flutes and up-tempo hand-clapping and finger-snapping.

◆With lyrics such as "sea lion woman / dressed in black / wink at the man / then stab him in his back," Feist sings a rather strange song about an apparently interesting woman in "Sealion."

◆"The Water" is a slow cocktail lounge with more chimes, soft acoustic guitar and delicate piano playing.

◆"The Park" actually sounds like Feist recorded it in a park, as birds chirp behind her guitar playing and sings about nature.

With an amalgamation of both old and new schools of music, Feist has repackaged a variety of genres into a new, hip collection of songs. "The Reminder" is an album to remember.

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The Reminder Feist

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Recommended Tracks: "Past in Present," "The Park," "1234" and "Brandy Alexander"

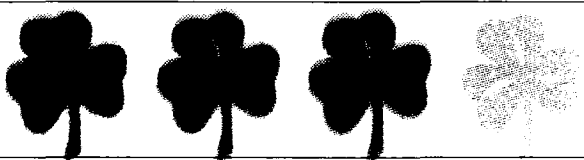


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Feist, in blue, performs in the video for her new single, "1234." Her latest album, "The Reminder," keeps things simple while experimenting with style.

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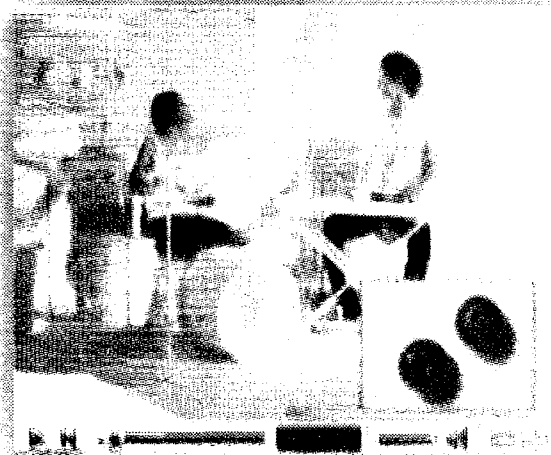
Britney's biggest fan reacts to the media's harsh criticism.

Human Tetris



Japanese game show takes Tetris to new heights and painful lows.

Matt + Kim "Yea Yeah"



This new band is heading to Legends Thursday at 10 p.m.

Flight of the Conchords "Sello tape"



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NFL

Lively Culpepper runs for 3 TDs in comeback

Griese throws three picks as Detroit's scores record 34 points in final quarter to take down Chicago at home

Associated Press

MIAMI — As Daunte Culpepper skipped across the back of the end zone, show-boating in celebration of another touchdown, his surgically repaired right knee looked plenty sturdy.

It held up fine Sunday, when Culpepper ran for three touchdowns and threw for two to win a grudge game against his former team, helping the Oakland Raiders beat the winless Miami Dolphins 35-17.

"He had a chip on his shoulder," teammate Warren Sapp said. "He wanted revenge."

Culpepper's slow recovery from major knee surgery limited him to four games last year in his only season with the Dolphins, and his breakup with new Miami coach Cam Cameron was bitter.

After winning in his first start for the Raiders, Culpepper said beating Miami wasn't personal.

"The only thing I felt bad about is I didn't have a chance to show the fans here me healthy as a Dolphin," he said. "But now I had a chance to show them today, and I'm glad I was able to do that."

Cameron and Culpepper met on the field after the game, and both said the conversation was cordial.

"You have to tip your hat when you're getting your rear end kicked," Cameron said.

Miami's coach has bigger problems than any lingering issues with Culpepper. For the second time in four years, the Dolphins are off to an 0-4 start.

"You can't feel sorry for yourself," Cameron said. "Nobody is going to run and hide."

The Raiders, who won last week when Culpepper came off the bench to replace an injured Josh McCown, improved to 2-2 and head into their bye week with a quarterback controversy looming.

"I'll handle it when it happens," coach Lane Kiffin said.

Culpepper led the Raiders out of the tunnel before the game, raising his right fist and punching the air as fans booed. He was far from flashy against his old team, relying on a ground game that totaled 299 yards against an injury-depleted defense.

Justin Fargas replaced an injured LaMont Jordan shortly before halftime and ran for a

career-high 179 yards in 22 carries.

"To break their will with the running game is a great feeling," Fargas said.

The Raiders' rushing total was their fourth highest since the NFL-AFL merger in 1970 and their highest since 1987.

Atlanta 26, Houston 16

On this day at least, the Atlanta Falcons didn't need Michael Vick or Matt Schaub.

Joey Harrington threw a pair of touchdown passes to Michael Jenkins and 47-year-old Morten Andersen kicked four field goals Sunday, leading the Falcons to their first win of the season over Schaub and the Houston Texans.

Harrington, who took over as the Falcons starter after Schaub was traded and Vick became embroiled in a dogfighting case, had another effective day by competing 23-of-29 for 223 yards. A week earlier, he passed for 361 yards in a loss to Carolina.

"We've got a little flow going," Harrington said. "So much of this game is getting on a roll, getting in a groove. We feel like we're starting to dictate what the other team has to do."

Jenkins hauled in scoring passes of 5 and 7 yards, the first two-touchdown game of his up-and-down career with the Falcons (1-3), who were one of five winless teams left in the NFL. In all, he made six catches for 64 yards.

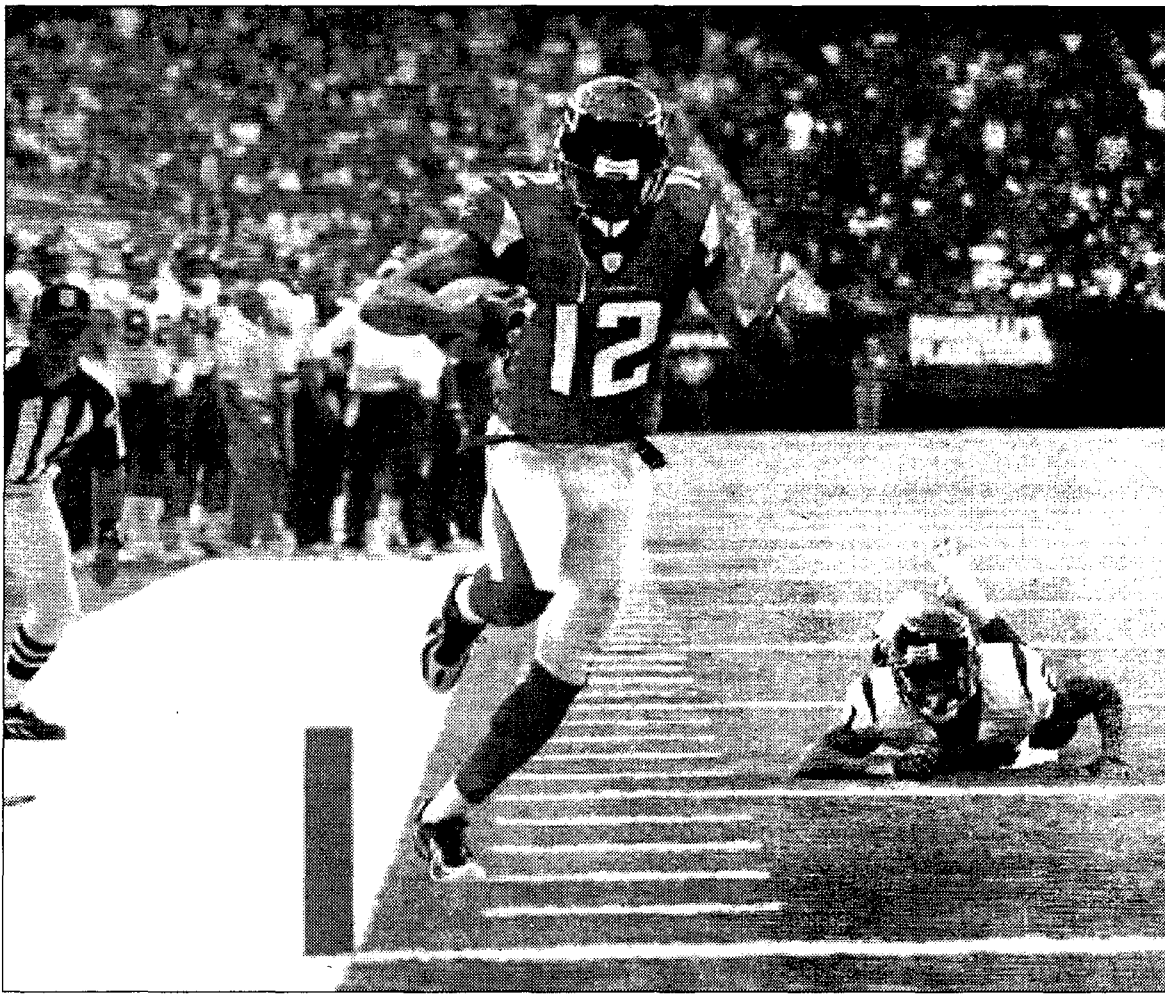
"These are some talented wide receivers," Harrington said.

Atlanta went up 20-7 in the first half and guarded its lead the rest of the game. The Texans (2-2) twice closed within a touchdown but couldn't come all the way back, losing for the second week in a row.

Bobby Petrino, the Falcons' first-year coach, picked up his first NFL win. He wore a white cap — after going without anything on his head the previous week — in hopes of changing the team's fortunes.

"I'm not superstitious or anything," he said. "But I was changing it up until we got a win. You'll probably see the white hat for a while."

Schaub was 28-of-40 for 317 yards, including a 35-yard touchdown pass to Andre Davis that gave Houston a short-lived lead in the first quarter. But the Texans couldn't punch in their



Atlanta wide receiver Michael Jenkins scores his second touchdown of the day in a 26-16 win over the Houston Texans. The win was the first of Falcons coach Bobby Petrino's career.

other scoring chances, settling for three field goals by Kris Brown.

Detroit 37, Chicago 27

The Detroit Lions did it all in a record-breaking fourth quarter, scoring on the ground, through the air on defense and special teams.

The new-look win took the place of a here-we-go again loss for a team that used to be the NFL's laughingstock.

"Luck is turning our way," Roy Williams said after Detroit beat the Chicago Bears Sunday. "We're a 3-1 ballclub and not a lot of teams can say that."

No other team in league history can say they scored 34 points in the final quarter as Detroit did against the defending NFC champions, and no game included a combined 48 points in the fourth.

"We collapsed as a team at the end of the game," Bears coach Lovie Smith said.

Chicago (1-3) led 13-3 after three quarters in a terribly played game before both teams

scored three times as many points in the final 15 minutes.

"It was a big finish," Williams said.

The Bears insist they're not finished, even though their quarterback change backfired and their banged-up team is reeling.

"Our season is not over," Brian Urlacher said. "But we have to get better."

"We stink right now."

Brian Griese, starting in place of Rex Grossman, had three interceptions.

Seattle 23, San Francisco 3

The balance of power in the NFC West hasn't moved an inch to the south. The Seattle Seahawks are still on top — just as 308-pound defensive tackle Rocky Bernard illustrated by landing right on poor Alex Smith.

Matt Hasselbeck passed for 281 yards and two touchdowns, Bernard separated Smith's shoulder with a sack on the third play, and the Seahawks remained the best in the West

with a victory over the struggling 49ers on Sunday.

The 49ers (2-2) were full of cautious optimism during the week. Coach Mike Nolan hoped they were ready to challenge the Seahawks' run of three straight division titles after two wins over Seattle last season, two division victories already this year and an offseason spending spree.

Instead, the Seahawks (3-1) are showing the whole NFL they might be close to their Super Bowl form of 2005. With uniformly solid veteran play and a game plan that anticipated the 49ers' every move, they outgained San Francisco 371-184 and coasted to a blowout win.

"I think we have the most depth and the most experience throughout the conference," said former 49ers linebacker Julian Peterson, who had three of the Seahawks' six sacks. "I think everybody knows that we're the team to beat, but we still have to go out there every week and prove that."

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5	Wisconsin	5-0	9
6	South Florida	4-0	18
7	Boston College	5-0	12
8	Kentucky	5-0	14
9	Florida	4-1	4
10	Oklahoma	4-1	3
11	South Carolina	4-1	16
12	Georgia	4-1	15
13	West Virginia	4-1	5
14	Oregon	4-1	11
15	Virginia Tech	4-1	17
16	Hawaii	5-0	19
17	Missouri	5-0	20
18	Arizona State	4-1	23
19	Texas	4-1	7
20	Cincinnati	5-0	24
21	Rutgers	3-1	10
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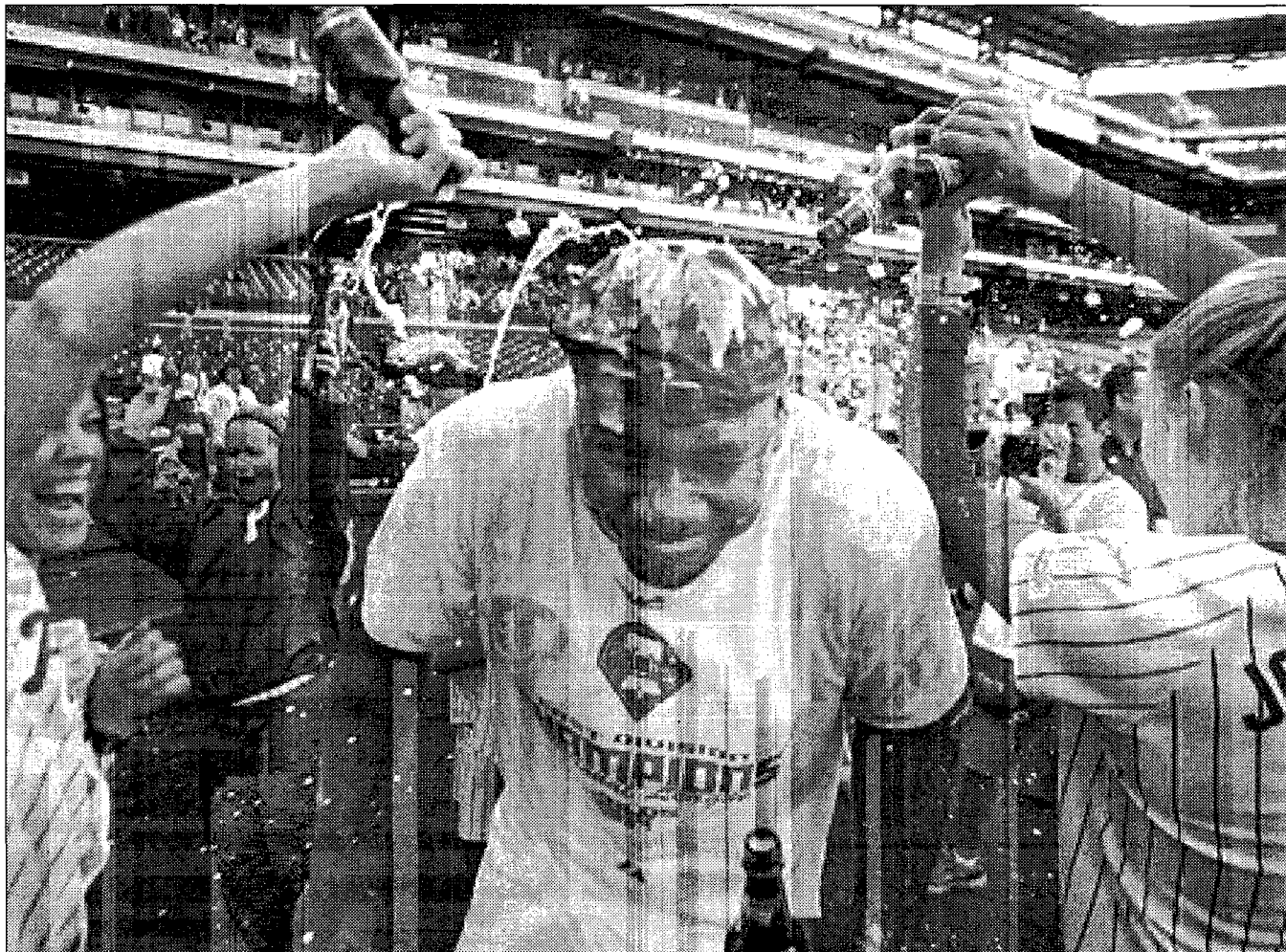
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team	league	overall
Calvin	8-0	13-3
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Hope	6-2	11-5
Tri-State	5-3	7-10
SAINT MARY'S	3-5	6-10
Kalamazoo	3-6	6-10
Albion	2-6	5-11
Alma	1-7	2-15
Olivet	1-7	2-15

MLB



Phillies first baseman Ryan Howard is drenched with beer after Sunday's 6-1 victory over the Nationals in Philadelphia clinched the N.L. East. Philadelphia won the division over the Mets, who burned out down the home stretch.

Phillies clinch N.L. East with win over Nats

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Shane Victorino doused the fans with a fire hose, Brett Myers and Ryan Howard jumped into the stands to join the celebration and Hall of Fame announcer Harry Kalas sang "High Hopes" over the public address system.

Believe it, Philly. The Fightin' Phils are going to the playoffs — just as Jimmy Rollins predicted way back in January.

"There's only one more celebration to try and go for now and that's the whole thing," Howard said.

Considered all-but-out of contention just 2 weeks

ago, the Phillies overcame a huge deficit in the standings, caught the Mets and won their first NL East title since 1993 on the final day.

Howard hit his 47th homer, 44-year-old Jamie Moyer pitched 5 1-3 gutsy innings and the Phillies, backed by a crowd going crazy, beat Washington 6-1 Sunday to end a 14-year playoff drought.

Myers tossed his glove underhanded straight in the air and jumped off the mound after striking out Wily Mo Pena to end it. Pat Burrell ran out of the dugout and hugged Myers and everyone piled on.

The party was on, and it lasted for hours right

there on the field, thousands of fans staying to enjoy a rare moment in Philly.

"This has been an incredible ride and we've got to keep going," Burrell said.

The Phillies also needed help up I-95 to clinch, and got it from Florida. The Marlins beat the Mets 8-1 to ensure there wouldn't be a tiebreaker playoff game on Monday.

Philadelphia rallied from seven games down on Sept. 12, matching the biggest September comeback in major league history. The Phillies and the Mets went into the last day tied for the division lead.

Now, it's the Phillies who

are advancing to the post-season for only the 10th time in their history. They'll host Game 1 of the first round Wednesday against the winner of Monday's wild-card tiebreaker between San Diego and Colorado.

Somehow it seemed fitting the Phillies enjoyed success the same season they became the first team in professional sports to lose 10,000 games.

A team known for one of the biggest collapses in baseball — they blew a 6-game lead with 12 games left in the 1964 NL race — took advantage of a colossal fold to finish first. The Phils won 13 of their last 17 and wound up 89-73.

IN BRIEF

Campbell makes comeback, wins Viking Classic

MADISON, Miss. — Chad Campbell righted his listing game Sunday with a one-stroke victory over Johnson Wagner in the Viking Classic, making two birdies on his last three holes to win.

Campbell was among six golfers who held or were tied for the lead Sunday at Annandale Golf Club. He finished with a 3-under-par 69 — the only member of that group under 70 — to win after trailing two-day leader David Branshaw by three strokes entering the final round. Branshaw was done in by a double bogey.

"I wasn't doing anything very well to be honest with you," Campbell said of his season, which included just 13 rounds under 70 coming into the tournament. "At times I'd drive good, at times I'd putt good. But I never put everything together for 18 holes. I was just trying to figure out what I was doing well. This week it just clicked."

U.S. team wins tournament, earns Olympic berth

VALDIVIA, Chile — The U.S. women's basketball team took a rarely used route to get back to the Olympics.

Tina Thompson scored 18 points to help the U.S. qualify for the 2008 Beijing Games with a 101-71 victory over Cuba on Sunday in the gold medal game at the FIBA Americas tournament.

"It feels great to win. We got the monkey off our back," Thompson said.

The U.S. (5-0) was forced to qualify for an Olympics berth for the first time since 1980 because of a third-place finish at the World Championships last year.

"It feels great to get the berth to Beijing and get this behind us," U.S. coach Anne Donovan said. "I'm so proud of how hard these women have worked and how much it's paid off. To play five games in five days and we started with the best team in the tournament, we finished with the best team in the tournament."

Competitors in ring become competitors in kitchen

ATLANTA — Evander Holyfield once defeated George Foreman in a battle for the world heavyweight boxing title. Now he is seeking to oust his former foe from another arena: the grilling world.

Holyfield is preparing to unveil the "Evander Holyfield Real Deal Grill," a direct competitor to Foreman's famous "Lean Mean Fat Reducing Grilling Machine," which has reportedly earned \$100 million in sales since 1995.

"I've got a George Foreman grill. It's a good grill," the 44-year-old Holyfield told the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. "But don't you think the latest grill is supposed to be the best grill?"

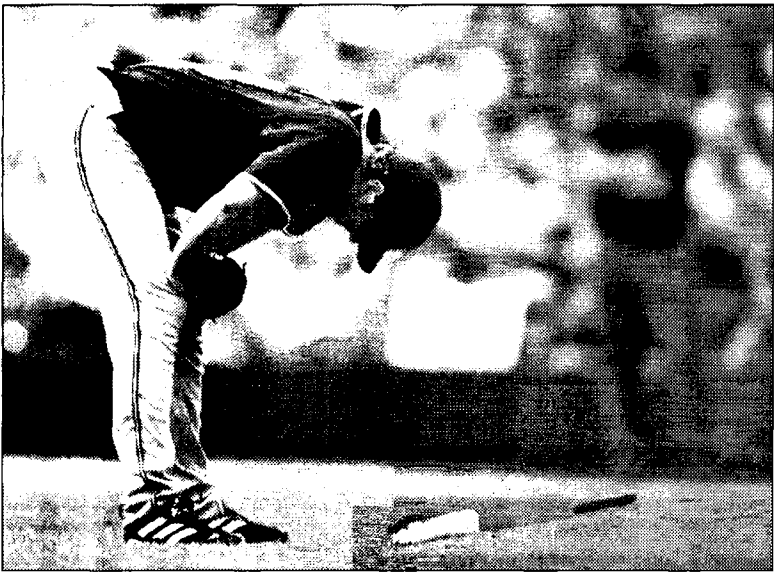
Manufacturer CirTran Corp., based in Utah, approached Holyfield about promoting a \$99 grill after he appeared on the TV show "Dancing With the Stars" in 2005.

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NFL

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MLB — NATIONAL LEAGUE

San Diego loss forces
playoff for wild card

San Diego pitcher Brett Tomko bends over during an 11-6 loss to the Brewers Sunday. The loss tied the Padres in the wild-card race.

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — The San Diego Padres were in a pretty foul mood Sunday after blowing their second straight shot at wrapping up the NL wild card.

And it didn't get any better once they got to the clubhouse, where televisions were tuned to the final outs of the Colorado Rockies' victory over Arizona.

The Padres couldn't overcome a shaky start by Brett Tomko and lost 11-6 to Milwaukee, opening the door for the Rockies to force a tiebreaking game at Coors Field on Monday night.

San Diego is pinning its playoff hopes on the only guy who could manage a smile Sunday evening — ace Jake Peavy.

"I think the spirits and the mood right now is a little downtrodden, but we're going to get it up," Peavy said. "I'm not going to let this happen tomorrow. I can promise you it'll be a new day, the boys will be excited. I mean, this is why we play the game."

San Diego needed to win one of the final two games of the season to lock up a postseason spot but lost 4-3 to the Brewers in 11 innings on Saturday. Trevor Hoffman needed just one strike to finish off a 3-2 win but gave up a tying triple to Tony Gwynn Jr., the son of the Padres Hall of Famer, and Milwaukee won it in the 11th on Vinny Rottino's RBI single.

Sunday's game wasn't even close as Milwaukee pushed across two in the fourth, chased Tomko during a four-run fifth and added three more in the sixth on a bases-loaded triple by Gabe Gross.

At least San Diego will have Peavy to fall back on in the extra game. Padres manager Bud Black started Tomko against Milwaukee, choosing to save his ace for the potential tiebreaker.

"We had this mapped out for a while that it could come to this, based on what was happening over the last couple weeks," Black said. "And that was the case. We feel good with Jake, obviously."

Peavy has no record and a 1.29 ERA in two starts against the Rockies this year. He spent part of Sunday watching video of the Rockies, just in case he'd have to face them.

"They're as good as anybody

in baseball," Peavy said. "But they're definitely a beatable team."

Colorado held on for a 4-3 victory over Arizona to force the play-in game, as Padres players cheered and groaned like fans as they sat in the visiting clubhouse at Miller Park.

They quickly focused on the positives, starting with Peavy's 10-1 record and 2.20 ERA over his last 13 starts.

"Jake's going to win the Cy Young for a reason — he's one of the best, if not the best, pitcher in the game," Padres pitcher Chris Young said. "We've been swinging the bats well. Our bullpen's been throwing well, minus a couple of innings the past couple of games. But we're in great shape."

Tomko (4-12) cruised through the first three innings as the Padres took a 3-0 lead but fell apart soon after that. He allowed five runs and five hits in 4 1-3 innings.

Doug Brocail threw a tantrum in the dugout after giving up Gross' triple, knocking equipment off a shelf and winging his hat to the floor — another sign that the Padres were unraveling.

Can they forget about the last two days?

"We have to," right fielder Brian Giles said. "It's a one-game season now."

Black said the team's mood was OK despite the discouraging loss.

"Obviously when you fall behind, and fall behind by a number of runs, it can be deflating," Black said. "But our mood was, overall, fine. Guys kept having good at-bats."

Jeff Suppan (12-12) pitched six innings to get the win as Milwaukee finished the season on an upbeat note with back-to-back comeback victories. The Brewers went 83-79 for their first winning season since 1992.

Still, they missed the playoffs — a disappointing end to the season for a team that held an 8 1/2-game lead in the NL Central in late June.

"We played the way we would like other clubs to play for us in those situations," Brewers manager Ned Yost said. "We were going to go full out. We feel like we owe it to major league baseball to give our very best effort even though we were eliminated."

Mets finish year with loss

NY loses to Florida to end upset season in appropriate fashion

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Following the last bewildering loss of a season gone sour, the dejected New York Mets filed into their quiet clubhouse and packed for a particularly stark winter.

When they needed a big game, Tom Glavine pitched one of his worst. And now, their collapse is complete.

After blowing a big September lead in the NL East, the Mets missed the playoffs Sunday when Glavine was battered for seven runs during the first inning of a season-ending 8-1 loss to the Florida Marlins.

"It's something that's going to take a while for us to get over," said Glavine, pitching for maybe the last time in his major league career.

New York's defeat coupled with Philadelphia's 6-1 win over Washington gave the division title to the Phillies and sent the stunned Mets home wondering how they squandered a seven-game cushion over the final 18 days of an excruciating season.

Now, David Wright, Carlos Beltran, Pedro Martinez and

the rest of this talented team will forever be remembered alongside the 1964 Phillies and other famous failures for skidding to one of baseball's most monumental collapses.

"It's going to be a long off-season. I know I don't want to experience it again," Wright said.

No major league team had owned a lead of seven games or more with 17 to play and failed to finish in first place. New York, which had that margin on Sept. 12, matched the largest lead blown in September. The 1934 New York Giants (Sept. 6) and 1938 Pittsburgh Pirates (Sept. 1) and also led by seven games in the final month only to drop into a fatal tailspin.

A win Sunday not only would have kept the Mets even with Philadelphia and forced a one-game playoff for the division title, it would have tied them with Colorado and San Diego for

the wild card. So they would have had two ways to reach the postseason.

Instead, the Mets lost six of their final seven games — all at home — and are out.

"Everyone's definitely numb," Shawn Green said. "To say disappointed would be the understatement of the year."

Philadelphia swept a three-game series at Shea Stadium from Sept. 14-16 — giving the

Phillies wins in the final eight meetings between the teams. That started a slide the Mets never recovered from. They even lost star slugger Carlos Delgado in the season finale to a broken hand.

Doomed by inadequate starting pitching and a leaky, exhausted bullpen, New York dropped 12 of its last 17 games, committing 21 errors in the process. The Mets' ERA during the slide was 5.96, third-worst in the majors over that span.

"The harder we pushed, the worse it got," closer Billy Wagner said as he packed a bag at his locker.

When Luis Castillo struck out and ended New York's latest lackluster defeat against a second-division club, that prompted one last round of boos at Shea Stadium this year.

Moments later, the final in Philadelphia was posted on the out-of-town scoreboard and Mets fans shuffled toward the exits, quietly muttering to themselves.

"We're devastated, also," manager Willie Randolph said. "It's just a tough life lesson in baseball."

It was one of the darkest days for a franchise that prided itself on late-season comebacks in 1969, 1973 and in the 1986 World Series against Boston.

Last year, the Mets advanced to Game 7 of the NL championship series before losing 3-1 to St. Louis. Beltran struck out with the bases loaded in the bottom of the ninth inning, a sudden end to a thrilling season.

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Shawn Green
Mets outfielder

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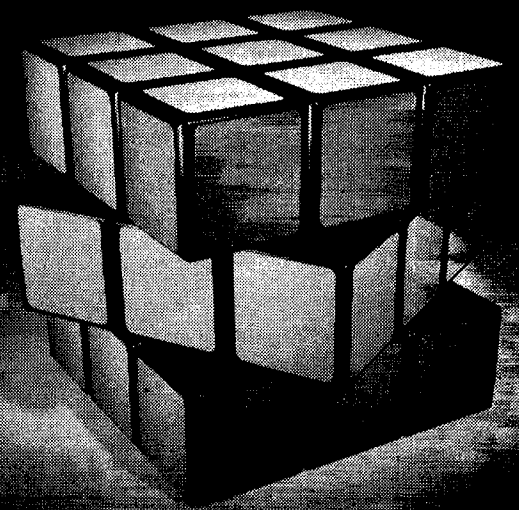
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NFL

Favre sets touchdown record in Packers' win

Veteran QB throws two TDs in victory over Vikings Sunday

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Brett Favre is No. 1 — with a bullet.

Favre broke Dan Marino's record for career touchdown passes Sunday, zipping No. 421 to Greg Jennings in the first quarter of Green Bay's 23-16 victory over the Minnesota Vikings.

He hit Jennings on a 16-yard slant for the score with 4:56 left in the quarter, and like most of his touchdown throws through his brilliant 17-year career, this one had plenty of steam on it.

"It feels great, but I've never considered myself as good a quarterback as Dan Marino," Favre said. "Dan was a hero of mine. To be mentioned in the same breath as Dan and other guys really makes it special."

Ever the jubilant celebrator, Favre sprinted to the end zone and hoisted Jennings on his left shoulder. He joined in hugs with his teammates on the sideline, as thousands of Packers faithful who made the trip from Wisconsin cheered loudly.

Even those dressed in purple stood and applauded when the announcement was made, and a taped message from Marino was played to congratulate Favre, who threw for another TD in the fourth quarter. He finished 32-of-45 for 344 yards, the 50th time he's topped 300 yards in his career.

"I loved holding the touchdown record for the past 13 years," Marino said. "But if someone was going to break it, I'm glad it was someone like you, who has always competed at the highest level and always played to win."

It's the latest, and possibly the most hallowed record claimed by the league's last true gunslinger. Two weeks ago, Favre broke John Elway's mark for career victories by a quarterback when he led the Packers to a 35-13 win over the New York Giants.

The soon-to-be 38-year-old Favre also holds the marks for career completions and consecutive starts by a quarterback, which hit 241 Sunday, moving him past former Vikings center Mick Tingelhoff into second place on the list for all players.

Former Vikings defensive end Jim Marshall holds the all-time mark with 270 consecutive starts.

Late in the second quarter, Favre broke another Marino record when he threw the 8,359th pass of his career, and is also within shouting distance of Marino's record for yards passing.

Jennings also caught the record-tying TD from Favre, a 57-yarder last week that lifted the Packers to a 31-24 victory over San Diego.

"I know one thing," Jennings said. "I know I'll never be forgotten and that's thanks to Brett."

Marino held the record since 1995, but Favre's reign could be considerably shorter. Old No. 4 has acknowledged that most, if not all, of the records he sets in his career will be challenged very shortly by the Colts' Peyton Manning.

But perhaps even more impressive than the numbers Favre has put up is the manner in which he has done it.

Favre entered the league in a different era, when guys like Marino, Jim Kelly, Warren Moon and Steve Young played with an aggressiveness and a swagger that's uncommon among today's quarterbacks.

While offenses have moved away from that mentality more toward "game managers," the league's biggest gambler hasn't let go of his high-risk, high-reward style. That mentality has thrilled fans in Green Bay since he first stepped onto the Lambeau Field turf in 1992, but it has also earned him his fair share of criticism over the years.

He has been accused of being careless with the football at times, but Favre will be the last one to apologize for entering the game two interceptions shy of tying George Blanda's career record.

"What got me to this point,

what got me in this league, was a playmaking ability that was different," Favre said.

Favre was pressured on his first pass attempt Sunday, and he blindly winged a pass far downfield for Jennings that was intercepted by Darren Sharper. But Favre was bailed out by an illegal contact call on Vikings cornerback Antoine Winfield, and the Packers punted four plays later.

After Jeff Dugan fumbled to give the Packers the ball in Minnesota territory, Favre hit Donald Lee on a nice touch pass for 27 yards. Two plays later: history.

"It's a milestone that he hit and there's probably a lot more of them left," Packers coach Mike McCarthy said.

McCarthy has reined in Favre a little bit this season, and it has worked brilliantly so far for the Packers, who are 4-0 for the first time since 1998.

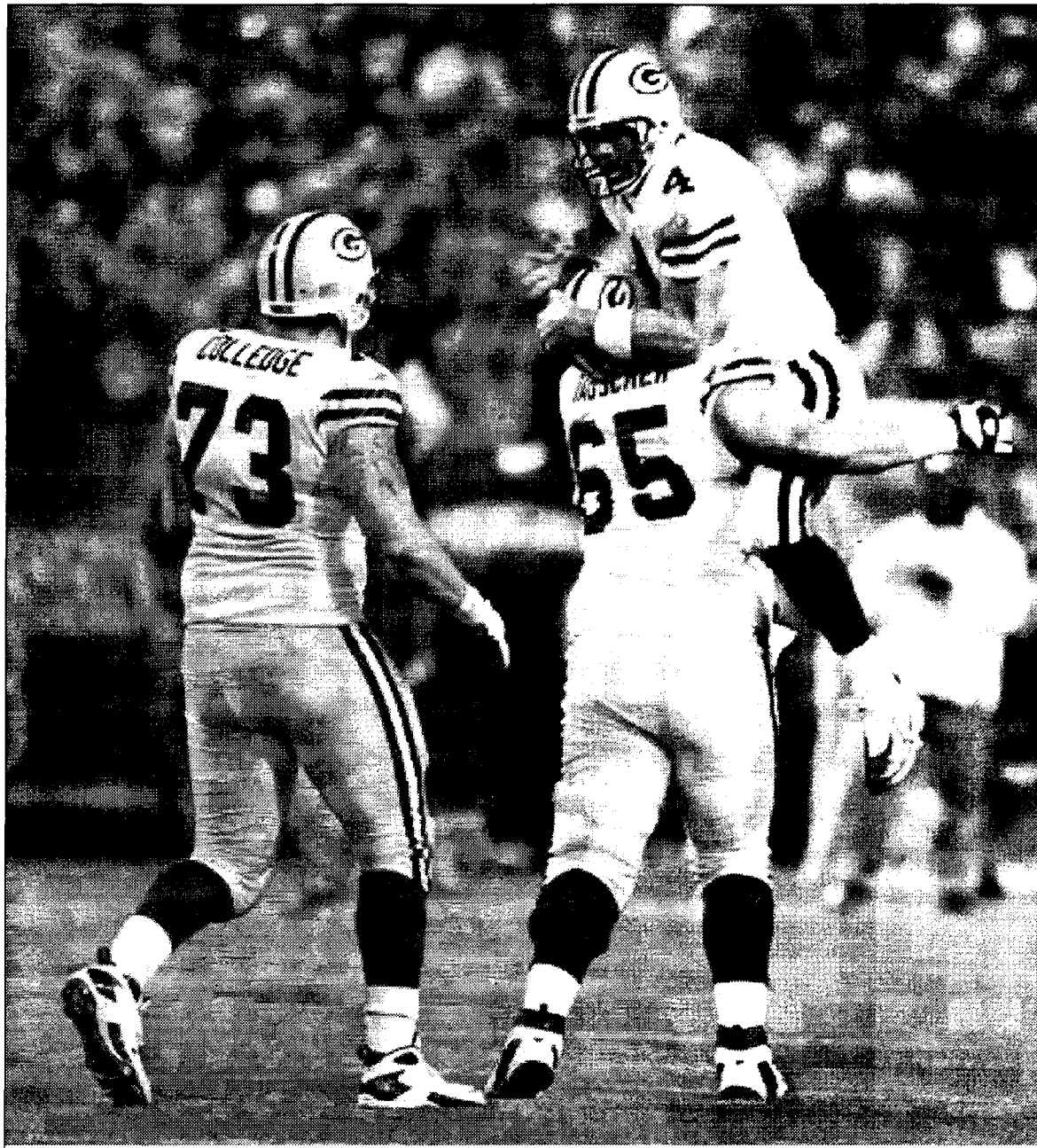
"He has a lot of gas left in his gas tank," McCarthy said. "I'm not surprised by this at all."

And while there is no single record for quarterbacks that carries the significance of Barry Bonds passing Hank Aaron's career home run record, McCarthy has said Marino's touchdown mark probably comes closest.


But Favre said he didn't think the touchdown record was getting anywhere near the hype that Bonds' pursuit of Aaron received over the summer. He has laughed off any further comparison to Bonds, smiling as he jokingly flexed his forearms to prove he doesn't quite measure up.

There will be no dispute over this home run ball, though.

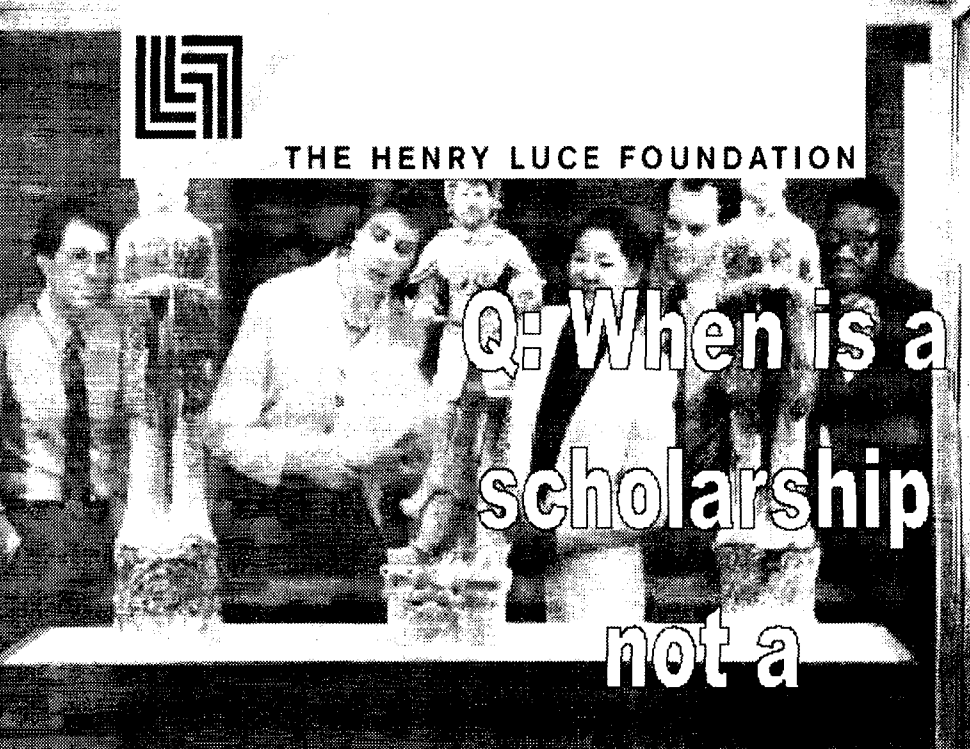
"I was hoping to put it on eBay," Favre joked. "I think we are going to let it sit in the Hall of Fame for a year or two. I'm sure after that, I will keep it."



Packers quarterback Brett Favre celebrates after throwing his 421st career touchdown pass. Green Bay defeated Minnesota 26-16 in Minneapolis to move to 4-0 on the year. AP



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NCAA FOOTBALL

LSU named nation's best

Bayou Bengals jump USC in new AP poll after crazy weekend

Associated Press

LSU reached No. 1 the hard way.

The Tigers edged past Southern California in the AP Top 25 on Sunday, even though the Trojans remained undefeated.

On a wild day in college football, when half the top 10 lost, USC avoided the upset bug that struck Oklahoma, Florida, Texas and Rutgers. But a sloppy 27-24 victory at Washington on Saturday night cost the Trojans the No. 1 ranking they've held all season.

USC is the first team to lose the No. 1 ranking after a victory since Nov. 3, 2002, when top-ranked Miami dropped after beating Rutgers 42-17 and No. 2 Oklahoma moved up after a 27-11 victory over No. 13 Colorado.

"I have no idea how the points work and how it all adds up," USC coach Pete Carroll said Sunday night. "It has no bearing on anything for us. It didn't before and it doesn't now."

"The reason it happened is the way we played, I guess."

LSU, which recovered from its own first-half malaise to beat Tulane 34-9 on Saturday, received 33 first-place votes from the media panel and 1,593 points. USC got 32 first-place votes, 11 fewer than last week, and 1,591 points.

LSU coach Les Miles suggested the voters didn't get up early enough to watch the first half of

the Tigers' victory against Tulane, when they led 10-9 at the break.

"They kind of slept in and got kind of caught up on the score later in the day," he said Sunday. "We can't afford to play like that anymore for any length of time, whether it is a half or whatever. We played without the focus or intensity we are capable of."

"There will be none of our players who arrive here on Monday that feel like they have achieved any milestone in any way. It will be business as usual."

The voting was the closest since the second poll of the 2002 season, when Miami and Oklahoma tied for No. 1 and each received 27 first-place votes.

B.G. Brooks from The Rocky Mountain News in Denver had already flip-flopped USC and LSU once this season and went back to LSU again after watching the Trojans against Washington.

"I think at this point, at least through yesterday, LSU has been a little more dominant," Brooks said.

LSU is No. 1 in the AP poll for the first time since Nov. 2, 1959.

Twelve voters switched off USC to LSU this week to swing the vote, though one voter, Jon Wilner of The San Jose Mercury News, voted USC No. 1

after having LSU last week.

"The main reason I did was because I look at LSU and USC and feel that the Trojans have two quality wins on the road and that tipped the scales toward SC," Wilner said. "Winning in Lincoln and in Seattle gives them an edge over

LSU's two big home wins [over South Carolina and Virginia Tech]."

The rest of the rankings released Sunday bore little resemblance to any of the previous polls, thanks to a crazy weekend in which three of

"There will be none of our players who arrive here on Monday and feel like they achieved any milestone in any way."

Les Miles
LSU coach

the top five and seven of the top 13 teams lost.

Overall, nine ranked teams went down, seven to unranked opponents.

California moved up three spots to No. 3, Ohio State jumped four places to No. 4 and Wisconsin moved up four spots to No. 5.

The rest of the top 10 featured some unfamiliar names.

South Florida, which knocked off No. 5 West Virginia 21-13 on Thursday night, made it into the poll for the first time two weeks ago. Now the Bulls are No. 6 in the country and West Virginia dropped eight spots to 13th.

No. 7 Boston College is in the top 10 for the first time since 1992. No. 8 Kentucky has a top-10 ranking for the first time since 1977.

No. 9 Florida, which lost 20-17 on a last-second field goal to Auburn, fell five spots. Oklahoma, which lost to Colorado on a field goal as time expired, dropped seven spots to No. 10.

GOLF

Presidents Cup goes to Nicklaus, U.S. team



David Toms, right, congratulates Charles Howell III after the U.S. team won this year's Presidents Cup in Montreal.

Crowd favorite Mike Weir takes out Tiger

Associated Press

The Presidents Cup didn't end in another tie, but it sure felt that way Sunday.

The Americans celebrated another victory, taking more than enough singles matches at Royal Montreal to make a winner out of captain Jack Nicklaus again and capture their first cup on international soil in 14 years.

Even more rowdier were those Canadians crammed into the bleachers and pressed against the ropes, waving the Maple Leaf flag, cheering and chanting at every turn as their beloved Mike Weir won the last two holes to take down Tiger Woods.

"When he won on 18, you could hear it all the way to

Kansas City," International captain Gary Player said.

The final cheer was for the consolation prize.

The Presidents Cup went to a United States team that was overwhelming in the team matches and good enough in singles for its second straight victory over the International team, 19 1/2 -14 1/2.

David Toms earned the most points. Scott Verplank won all four of his matches. Woody Austin drew the most laughter, falling into a lake on the 14th hole Friday and making fun of himself by wearing a swimming mask as he walked down the same fairway Sunday.

As usual, the inspiration and laughs came from Nicklaus, a seven-time runner-up at the Canadian Open who finally left the Great White North with a shiny gold trophy.

"I've always loved playing for Jack, and hopefully, he'll come back," Woods said. "He's the greatest player of all time, and to have him as your captain to lead us, it doesn't get any better than that."

The Canadians found something equally special.

The cheers were relentless on a spectacular autumn day, and they carried the former Masters champion from a sudden collapse to an unlikely victory. Woods was 1 up with two holes to play when Weir made a 10-foot birdie putt to win the 17th, then watched as Woods pulled a tee shot that splashed into a pond — right in front of a Canadian flag that fans were holding behind the ropes.

"It's mixed emotions for sure," Weir said. "Our team didn't win. I won a point. It's only one point."

But what a point it was.

Woods beat Greg Norman when the Presidents Cup was in Australia, and he beat Ernie Els in South Africa four years ago. Weir only made the team as a captain's pick, but he was the International team's best player — especially Sunday.

"Obviously, winning the Masters was such a thrill," Weir said. "But to play Tiger ... he's the best player there is, and I had to play my absolute best today to beat him."

Woods and Weir shared a hug on the 18th green as the gallery roared again, filling the air with chants of "Mike! Mike! Mike!"

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NFL

Umenyiora sets team sack record in 16-3 win

McNabb sacked 12 times in Eagles' loss

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The New York Giants had so many sacks they actually felt bad for the kid trying to protect Donovan McNabb from Osi Umenyiora and a sack-happy defense.

Umenyiora had a team-record six sacks and the Giants (2-2) set a franchise record and tied a league record by sacking McNabb 12 times in a 16-3 victory that brought back memories of Lawrence Taylor intimidating opposing quarter-

backs at will.

"Last week we able to get some pressure on the quarterback," said Umenyiora, whose sack total was one shy of Derrick Thomas' NFL record. "We knew we would eventually get some sacks. We have some of the best pass rushers in the league on this team. We put it all together today."

Coming into the game, the Giants (2-2) had only four sacks in three games. They had five against the Eagles (1-3) after the first half, and Umenyiora ended up having a career game against second-year left tackle Winston Justice, who was filling in for an injured William Thomas.

"It was like a video game out there," Umenyiora said. "Winston Justice is a very good football player. Tonight was just one of those nights. He'll learn from that experience."

Mathias Kiwanuka added three sacks, Justin Tuck two and Michael Strahan one in an awesome display by a defense that was ranked as the worst in the league after giving up 80 points in its first two games.

Kawika Mitchell returned a fumble 17 yards for a touchdown and Eli Manning threw a 9-yard TD pass to Plaxico Burress, a score that, of course, was set up by a sack.

Lawrence Tynes added a 29-

yard field goal in the third quarter, but he also missed a 34-yarder and an extra point.

Strahan's sacks gave him 133 1/2 in his career, breaking Taylor's franchise record. Coincidentally, Taylor served as an honorary captain for the game.

Strahan was more concerned with Justice.

"That poor kid that they had over there," Strahan said. "Why didn't they help him? I felt, in an odd way, you could ruin the guy. It's his first start and that's what he gets. It's not a good thing."

Justice accepted responsibility.

"I am going to shoulder the

loss for the team," he said. "I got out of my technique, tried to make adjustments and they just didn't work."

The Eagles (1-3) had a horrible effort in falling three games behind Dallas (4-0) in the NFC East.

"It's frustrating," said McNabb, who finished 15-of-31 for 138 yards. "For an offense that has had so much success over the previous years, for us to come out and play the way we played today is embarrassing."

Besides the sacks, Philadelphia had 15 penalties for 132 yards, including a dreadful illegal forward pass against McNabb with 2:24 to play. It nullified a 20-yard touchdown pass to Reggie Brown and prevented the Eagles from drawing within 16-10.

Eagles left tackle Jon Runyan said the Giants didn't do anything different.

"We did all the bad stuff, putting ourselves in bad situations and third and long," Runyan said. "That's just telling the defense exactly what you are going to do."

David Akers, who missed a 42-yard field goal in the second quarter, made a 53-yarder earlier in the fourth quarter to get Philadelphia on the board.

The Eagles, who beat the Detroit Lions 56-21 last week, were short-handed for the game, missing running back Brian Westbrook, cornerback Lito Sheppard, safety Brian Dawkins and Thomas.

This is the fifth time a team had 12 sacks. The last was Dallas against the Houston Oilers on Sept. 29, 1985.

The game pitted new Giants defensive coordinator Steve Spagnuolo against his old mentor Jim Johnson, the Eagles longtime defensive coordinator. Spagnuolo had been the Eagles linebacker coach for the past three years.

While both defenses dominated, the Giants had an advantage going against an Eagles offense that was without Westbrook, its catalyst. The halfback who led the NFC in rushing after last week sat out with an abdominal strain.

The Eagles were limited to 212 yards and 3-of-11 on third down conversions.

Umenyiora's second sack set up the Giants second-quarter touchdown. It forced the Eagles to punt from deep in their end and R.W. McQuarters returned the kick 11 yards to the Eagles' 49.

Manning engineered a four-play drive, starting with passes of 19 and 17 yards to Amani Toomer. The score came as Burress outjumped Sheldon Brown in the corner of the endzone to give the Giants at 7-0 lead with 11:09 remaining in the half.

The Giants had a chance to extend the lead late in the second quarter but Omar Gaither intercepted a pass deep in Eagles territory.

Tynes' field goal pushed the lead to 10-0 late in the third quarter. It capped a 55-yard drive aided by a 32-yard pass interference penalty against Amani Toomer by Eagles cornerback William James.

The fumble return by Mitchell iced the game less than a minute later.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish win one, lose one in Big East road trip

By ELLYN MICHALAK and
PAT O'BRIEN
Sports Writers

Notre Dame once again split a weekend series, picking up its first shutout of the season against Seton Hall before dropping a nail-biter to Villanova in five games.

The Irish (6-8, 2-2 Big East) began the weekend by sweeping the Pirates 3-0 (30-19, 30-20, 30-25) Saturday, but ultimately fell 3-2 (21-30, 31-29, 30-27, 22-30, 17-15) in a close match against Villanova Sunday.

Against Seton Hall, the Irish had their best offensive match of the season. Senior setter Ashley Tarutis led with 25 assists and the highest kill percentage, successfully hitting six of seven

balls. Fellow captain Adrianna Stasiuk posted nine kills, and freshman outside hitter Kellie Sciacca posted seven.

"We put a lot of hard work into our practice this week," sophomore outside hitter Megan Fesl said. "We played really well. It was a really fun match."

Seton Hall (10-7, 1-3 Big East) was led by the stellar play of freshman outside hitter Sarah Osmun. She racked up a game-high 19 kills along with nine digs. Sophomore outside hitter Stacey Craighead helped with 10 kills of her own while junior set-

ter Brittany Rahrer had 37 assists.

Notre Dame could not celebrate its big win for long, however, as Villanova ended a 25-year drought against the Irish the next day. Notre Dame went 16-0 against Villanova since 1982.

In the fifth Irish match this season that has reached the deciding game, Notre Dame could not hold on at the end. The Irish, however, had momentum on their side after taking the fourth game in dominant fashion.

Their success carried over

early on as they started the final game with a 5-0 lead — which is played to only 15 points. The Irish were three points away from victory at 12-8, when Villanova stepped on the throttle. Scoring nine of the last 12 points, the Wildcats stunned the crowd with the 17-15 comeback.

"Statistically, we beat [Villanova] in every category," Fesl said. "It's just little parts of our game that we need to refine better, but I would not say that our team collapsed. It was a hard fought battle, and we really know what details we need to fix."

Sophomore outside hitter Serinity Phillips notched a career best 26 kills for the Irish, while Sciacca made an impressive 11 blocks. Three other players for Notre Dame notched

double-digit kills — Fesl had 15, Stasiuk scored 14, and junior middle blocker Justine Stremick slapped down 12. Tarutis once again led with 38 assists and sophomore setter Jamel Nicholas saw some playing time while recording 21 helpers of her own.

Villanova (11-6, 3-1) was led by senior outside hitter Alona Cherkez. She posted team-highs with 26 kills and 24 digs. Junior outside hitter Dana Tartazky also had a double-double with 15 kills and 10 digs.

Notre Dame continues its Big East schedule with a match against Rutgers at the JACC on Sunday at 2 p.m.

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MLB

Biggio hangs up his cleats after 20 seasons in Houston

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Craig Biggio didn't know when the tears would come on Sunday. Turns out all it took was hearing his children's voices.

The retiring Biggio doubled and scored in the first inning of his final game as the Houston Astros beat the Atlanta Braves 3-0 before a record crowd at Minute Maid Park.

The 41-year-old Biggio, who played his entire 20-season career in Houston, got standing ovations every time he batted.

He fought off his emotions the time and there's nothing wrong with it," he said. "But it's a good emotion. It's a good cry, a healthy cry."

"It's a good cry, a healthy cry."

Craig Biggio
Astros second basemen

— 14-year-old Conor, 12-year-old Cavan and 8-year-old Quinn — were played on the giant scoreboard.

"If you're older, you cry all franchise's all-time leader in games, at-bats, hits, doubles and total bases.

He finished with 3,060 career hits and will finish 20th on the all-time list, just behind Cap Anson (3,081). Of the 19 players ahead of him, only Pete Rose is not in the Hall of Fame.

Chipper Jones, who came into the game trailing Matt Holliday by one point in the batting race, went 0-for-3 to fall to .337. Holliday went 1-for-3 in Denver, as the Rockies beat Arizona 4-3 to force a one-game tiebreaker with San Diego on Monday.

Holliday would have to go 0-for-5 or worse for Jones to win

the batting title.

The weekend series in Houston, meanwhile, was a three-day tribute for Biggio, with fans packing the park for one last glimpse at the franchise's most beloved all-time player. His final game drew 43,823, the largest crowd in the park's 7-year history.

Even Jeff Bagwell, who shared 15 seasons with Biggio, came to say goodbye.

"This was a special day. You see the way the crowd reacted to him all week and actually, all of his career," said Bagwell.

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Irish senior Greg Rodgers putts during the Gridiron Golf Classic at Warren Golf Course Sunday.

ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Ciobanu, Potts win pair of singles titles

By KATE ARNOLD
Sports Writer

Notre Dame ended its two-week break with wins in each of the bracket divisions in the Wolverine Invitational at Ann Arbor, Mich., this weekend.

The Irish faced players from Michigan, Marquette, Western Michigan and Purdue.

Notre Dame started the Maize singles draw with three seeded players — No. 1 sophomore Cosmina Ciobanu, No. 3 sophomore Colleen Rielley and No. 4 junior Keley Tefft. Also competing in the Maize bracket was freshman Kristen Rafael.

All four won in the first round, and Tefft and Ciobanu advanced into the third round, where they faced each other. Ciobanu came away with the victory and advanced to face Rielley in the final.

Ciobanu was victorious, winning the final match on love. Ciobanu has had an impressive first season, compiling a 36-5 record in NCAA play.

Notre Dame entered the Blue singles draw with two seeded players — No. 1 sophomore Kali Krisik and No. 2 junior Katie Potts. Freshman Denise Ellison also competed in the Blue division. Although

Ellison lost her first-round match against Michigan's fourth-seeded Kari Wig, she fared well in the consolation bracket, winning two games.

Krisik captured third in the division, while Potts overpowered Wig in two sets, 6-4 and 6-0.

The Irish also had two seeded players in the doubles draw. Partnering up were No. 1 Krisik and Tefft and No. 3 Rafael and Rielley.

Krisik and Tefft won the doubles tournament against the second-seeded Michigan duo Tahniah Mahtani and Whitney Taney.

Also featured were Ciobanu with Potts, and Ellison with senior Bailey Louderback.

Although both unseeded teams lost in the first round, Ciobanu and Potts won the consolation bracket after three more games and ended with an 8-2 final set.

Rafael and Rielley lost 8-3 in the second round to Michigan's Mathani and Tatsuno.

The team will look to continue its success at the ITA All-American Championships, held in Pacific Palisades, Calif., from October 4-7.

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SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles finish in ninth behind freshman help

By MATT GAMBER
Sports Writer

Saturday's Sean Earl Invitational in Chicago gave the Saint Mary's runners another opportunity to drop times as individuals and improve overall as a team, and the Belles took advantage, placing ninth out of 21 teams.

Senior Megan Gray led the way, finishing ninth overall in 19:02. But the real story, according to Belles coach Jackie Batters, was the impressive times of some of the Belles' less heralded freshmen runners.

"I think for some of the girls like Sam [Wieczorek] and Catie [Salyer] ... they broke through some time barriers, and that has to be a huge confidence booster," Batters said. "This weekend was a huge success for us. We had 14 season bests at the meet, which means everyone is improving, and this wasn't a cake course, especially with a field of 286 [runners]."

Wieczorek (50th place, 20:22), sophomore Megan McClowry (63rd, 20:48), Salyer (68th, 20:54) and senior Olenka Bilyk (76th, 21:11) gave Saint Mary's a solid team score by all finishing in the top 80.

Missouri Southern won the meet, while conference foe and perennial power Calvin took seventh. Right behind Calvin was fellow MIAA team Albion,

and Kalamazoo rounded out the conference teams in 11th.

"I think looking at our finish this year to a year ago is impressive," Batters said. In 2006, the Belles finished in 17th place out of 33 teams.

"Sure, not all the teams are the same, and there were a few less complete teams, but it was great to see us finish close to Albion and still come out ahead of Kalamazoo. For some of the other teams, it's difficult to judge since we don't see them on a more frequent basis, but it's great to see the improvement."

That improvement seems to be the theme of this season for the Belles, highlighted by their fourth-place finish at last week's MIAA Jamboree — the highest in school history. The team's goal has been to be the best in Saint Mary's history since the beginning of the year. And, if the improvement continues, it just might happen.

"The timing of this race was great because we have a 6K coming up this Friday. Even though it's not that much longer of a race, it does pose new challenges for the team," Batters said. "I feel like they will be more confident going into the race after their successes."

"The season is just getting more exciting week after week."

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MEN'S GOLF

Irish in third place after 1st round

Squad trails Michigan State by four shots at Warren Golf Course

By MICHAEL BRYAN
Sports Writer

Notre Dame got off to a strong start in the Fighting Irish Gridiron Classic Sunday, shooting a first-round 289 (plus 9) to end the day in third.

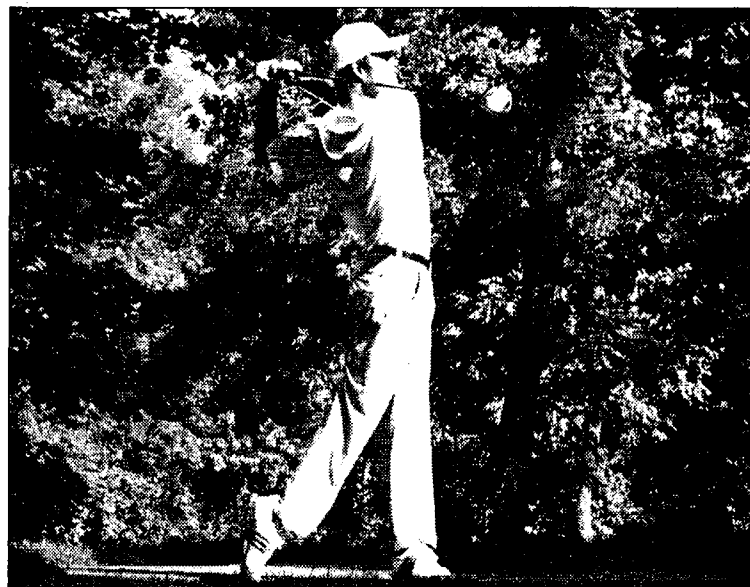
Playing at home on the Warren Golf Course, the Irish trail firstplace Michigan State by four shots and Baylor by a single stroke. Notre Dame finds itself near the top of the leaderboard of the 12-team field despite tough conditions and some costly mistakes on the last few holes.

"The golf course setup was very difficult as far as the hole locations, and the wind was up to 20 miles per hour," Irish coach Jim Kubinski said. "We didn't play our best golf, but being at home definitely helped, and we'll play a little better tomorrow."

Sophomore Doug Fortner led the Irish with a 68, which tied him for best in the field with Spartan Graham Baillargeon. Fortner began his day with two birdies in the first three holes and rode that momentum to the best round of his collegiate career.

"Doug has all the tools and a great deal of talent," Kubinski said. "His start this year is a sign of things to come, he's going to be a special player."

Junior Josh Sandman and sophomore Kyle Willis were close behind both shooting one-over 71s to tie for fifth place. Willis set a personal



IAN GAVLICK/The Observer

Senior Eddie Peckles follows through on a shot in the Fighting Irish Gridiron Classic at Warren Golf Course Sunday.

best with the roundbut is competing as an individual in the tournament and will not contribute to the team score.

Senior Greg Rodgers played consistently after a tough start to turn in a 74, and senior Eddie Peckles shot a six-over 76. Carlos Santos-Ocampo rounded out the Notre Dame team golfers with an 81.

Kubinski said the Irish are building on the extra motivation playing at their home course this week.

"You have pride defending your home, and the guys showed it with a good start today," he said.

In addition to Willis, several other Irish underclassmen competing individually had

strong scores. Freshmen Tyler Hock and Jeff Chen each shot a 74, and sophomore Olavo Batista carded a 76.

"We're a very young team, but we have so many players who are able to travel and compete in the top five [starting spots] this year," Kubinski said. "We have a lot of talented players that can contribute."

Notre Dame leads fourth-place Virginia by four strokes and North Florida by five.

The Irish will tee off the second round today with tee times beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Warren Golf Course.

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could manage only a 1-1 draw Friday night in front of 1,895 fans.

The tie brought the Irish winless streak against Cincinnati to three, as Notre Dame has not beaten the Bearcats since they joined the Big East in 2005.

"Cincinnati has got our number here," Clark said after the game. "They certainly seem to find ways to frustrate us."

The Irish out-shot Cincinnati 11-2 in the first half and possessed the ball for the majority of the time, but it was the Bearcats who opened the scoring shortly after halftime. In the 53rd minute, Cincinnati defender Lionel Jackson sent an in-swinging free kick from the right sideline to the net. Irish goalkeeper Chris Cahill, coming out to intercept the cross, had the ball sail over his head, and Bearcat defender Brad Simpson crashed at the back post to head it home.

"That's the area they were going to beat us, and that's where their goal came from," Clark said. "That's the only way they were [going to beat us]."

The Irish created multiple chances in the ensuing minutes with midfielder Justin Morrow having the best opportunity only one minute after the Bearcats' goal, but his shot from just outside the box was saved by Cincinnati keeper Miguel Rosales.

Notre Dame finally broke through in the 76th minute, when it scored on a nearly identical play as the Bearcats' goal. Irish defender Jack Traynor sent a free kick in from the right sideline and found defender Matt Besler, who headed the ball home from six yards out.

Both teams created multiple scoring opportunities in the remaining minutes before overtime, and it took a header off the

endline by Irish defender Cory Rellas to prevent a shot by Cincinnati's Chris Thompson from finding the back of the net in the 85th minute.

Notre Dame's best chance to win the game came four minutes into the first overtime when Ryan Miller got onto the end of a Joseph Lapira corner kick, but his diving header from 12 yards out was parried by a diving Rosales.

Rosales, the reigning Big East rookie of the week, had seven saves on the night and was a big reason the Irish were held to one goal.

"He had a few saves, several of them very good saves," Clark said. "[The save on Miller's header] was the one that stood out in my mind."

Notes:

◆ Notre Dame forward Kurt Martin, who has been receiving treatment for an injured ankle this past week, left the game in the 20th minute due to the injury and did not return.

"It's not bad, but it's enough to take him out of the game," Clark said.

◆ Lapira, who has been hampered by a muscle injury since the Rhode Island game Sept. 7, played the entire game for the first time this season.

Notre Dame 2, Louisville 1

Louisville made it interesting in the closing minutes Sunday afternoon, but the Irish hung on to their halftime lead to improve to 6-0 against Louisville all time.

Notre Dame dominated play throughout the first half, outshooting the Cardinals 9-5 and keeping on the attacking side for the majority of the time.

"It was strange, it was one of these games where I thought we put on a clinic in the first half," Clark said. "I don't know if we thought we would automatically win the game."

Louisville turned up the intensi-

ty in the second half and began to play a much more physical style in front of the Notre Dame net.

"They've got a couple of very big boys, and we're not the biggest team in the world," Clark said.

Senior Marco Terminesi (6-foot-0, 180 pounds) used his size to get Louisville on the board in the 77th minute on a penalty kick. Notre Dame committed two questionable fouls within 10 seconds to give Terminesi an opportunity.

The goal fired up the Cardinals, and they threatened for the remaining 13 minutes of the game, but the Irish defense and senior goalkeeper Chris Cahill were able to hold them off.

"The guys showed a lot of character going down the line," Clark said. "They proved that they could fight back in a game they thought they had won."

Notre Dame once again jumped out to an early start when sophomore Jeb Brovsky notched his second career goal five minutes into the contest.

Traynor crossed a pass from the left side and Brovsky finished to give Notre Dame an early lead.

Lapira scored the eventual game winner 30 minutes later by chipping a shot to the far post with his heel. Senior midfielder Kyle Dulworth picked up his first career point with the assist.

"That goal was the icing on the cake for a great first half [for Lapira]," Clark said. "It was a tremendous goal."

The 2006 M.A.C. Hermann award winner Lapira is contending to repeat as the country's best player, leading the Irish with seven points.

Notre Dame takes on non-conference rivals Michigan Wednesday night at Alumni Field.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles lose 2 games; MIAA record now 3-5

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's dropped two games to tough competition Saturday in a triangular meet with Tri-State and Bethel.

The Belles lost to Tri-State 3-0 (20-30, 26-30, 27-30) in the first match and then dropped a hard-fought, five-game match to Bethel 3-2 (30-24, 25-30, 28-30, 30-27, 15-8) to end the day.

The Tri-State Thunder were able to come in and take control of the match from the start.

"We just let our opponent set the pace of the match. We didn't play bad, we just didn't play even close

to the level that we should be playing at," Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said. "Consistent intensity was what was missing — we wait too long to get things going with any fire, and then it is too late."

Although the Thunder had control, it was not a total case of domination. The Belles (6-10, 3-5 MIAA) lost to Tri-State by a combined total of 17 points in three games, and their stats almost mirrored each other. The Belles had 41 kills, 40 set assists and 60 defensive digs. The Thunder had 44 kills, 41 set assists and 76 defensive digs.

Unforced errors were the difference between the two teams in Saturday's match.

"We also missed far too many serves, aggressive service errors I can handle, but lack of focus service errors are inexcusable," Schroeder-Biek said. "When you look at the match score difference of seventeen total points and then see that we had ten service

errors. ... You've got to do the little things right, they add up."

Junior middle blocker Cathy Kurczak led the way with 14 digs, and sophomore outside hitter Kaela Hellmann picked up 14 defensive digs.

The Belles changed their play when they took on the Pilots. Although Bethel was not a conference game, the team still approached it with intensity.

"Bethel was a better team than Tri-State. Bethel had more size and more power than Tri-State," Schroeder-Biek said. "We played much closer to our level and truly competed against Bethel."

The Belles could not pull it out in the end, which the coach relates back to their lack of drive.

"To pull those five-game matches out, again — just more intensity on the whole ... more collective determination to win," she said.

The Belles had four players with double-doubles in the effort against the Pilots. Sophomore outside hitter Lorna Slupczynski had 18 kills and 14 defensive digs, freshman outside hitter Andrea Sasgen contributed 14 kills and 19 defensive digs, senior setter Amanda David had 55 assists and 11 digs, and Hellmann was a leader again with 13 kills and 17 digs.

Next up for Saint Mary's is conference foe Adrian Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Angela Athletic Facility. In their last meeting, on Sept. 4, Adrian took down the Belles in three straight games to start their conference schedule.

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cantly in the past two weeks when the Irish won the National Catholic Championship, cutting 31 and 17 seconds off of their times, respectively.

Senior Brett Adams (68th), senior Mike Popejoy (93rd) and junior Kevin Veselik (104th) rounded out the Notre Dame runners in the tournament.

Notre Dame finished 14 points ahead of North Carolina State and an impressive 32 points ahead of Providence, the only participating teams that were ranked higher than the Irish coming into the Invitational. Michigan and Florida State finished fourth and fifth.

The Irish women finished without a trophy for the first time this season.

Unranked Rice, which finished with 119 points, led the field. Illinois, Florida State, Michigan and Boston College rounded out the top five.

Notre Dame finished with a

point total of 305.

Freshman Marissa Treece once again led the way for the Irish women, finishing her five kilometers in 17:24, good enough for 17th out of 162 participants. Her time was identical to the one she posted in a winning effort at the National Catholic Championship two weeks ago.

She has led the Irish in both of her two collegiate races so far.

Other scoring runners for the Irish were sophomore Lindsey Ferguson (31st), senior Ann Mazur (81st), junior Emily Wauford (88th) and freshman Abby Higgins (94th). Sophomore Beth Tacl (106th) and junior Becca Bauman (108th) were also in the field.

Both squads will return to action in Terre Haute, Ind., for the Pre-National Meet in two weeks. The event will be held at the LaVern Gibson Championship Course at the Wabash Valley Family Sports Center on Oct. 13.

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team."

The Irish outshot the Cardinals 12-5 and drew five corner kicks to Louisville's one in Notre Dame's first conference game on the road.

"Any time you can get a win on the road in the Big East is a positive," Waldrum said.

Cinalli's goal came in the 24th minute after Irish junior forward Kerri Hanks had a shot from the right side of the box blocked. Cinalli gathered the rebound and hammered it into the lower left corner of the net.

Irish senior goalie Lauren Karas had to make just one save in the shutout as the Irish defenders suffocated the Cardinals attackers throughout the match. The defense started two freshmen — center back Lauren Fowlkes and right back Julie Scheidler — as sophomore center back Haley Ford missed her fifth straight game because of a hamstring injury.

"Our back line finally started to settle in," Waldrum said.

Notre Dame 6, Cincinnati 1

The host Irish ran their Big East unbeaten streak to 27 games as they scored four goals in the second half in a blowout win over Cincinnati.

Cinalli became the 12th Irish player to record 30 goals and 30 assists in her career after notching the helper on freshman forward Rose Augustin's first-half goal.

Cinalli, who started at midfielder, beat two defenders before ripping a shot that was deflected by Cincinnati sophomore goalie Andrea Kaminski.

Augustin, who was starting in Cinalli's normal forward spot, then charged in from the right side of the penalty box to knock the ball home.

Cinalli was bumped back to midfielder to replace sophomore Michelle Weissenhofer, who was slightly injured and entered the game later.

"We moved Rose up, and it was nice for her to get her first goal," Waldrum said. "She has a great shot and, even though the goal was just a little toe-poke, we've been saying we needed to get her some shots."

With just over five minutes left in the first half, the Irish

struck again to take a 2-0 lead into halftime. Junior midfielder Rebecca Mendoza threaded a pass to senior forward Susan Pinnick, who had beaten her defender down the right side of the field.

Pinnick's first shot was stopped by Kaminski, but she did not miss again after gathering the rebound.

Early in the second half, Hanks scored her seventh goal of the season and the 57th of her Irish career. After streaking down the center of the field and receiving a pass from senior midfielder Ashley Jones, Hanks calmly poked the ball into the right side of the net.

"I was actually surprised by how flat [Cincinnati's] back line was playing," Waldrum said. "I knew that if they played us like that in the second half, we could beat them by a lot."

Bock put the Irish ahead 4-0 when she found the back of the net after a series of deflections in front of the Cincinnati goal.

After Karas, the starting goalkeeper, was replaced by sophomore goalie Kelsey Lysander, the Bearcats scored their only goal of the game.

With just under 13 minutes remaining, sophomore midfielder Melissa Bigg knocked a cross from junior midfielder Lindsey Noteboom past a diving Lysander. The score came after several reserves had entered the game for each team.

"I was a little disappointed because you want to keep your rhythm when you make changes," Waldrum said. "But, having said that, we came back and got two more goals with that same group."

Weissenhofer, who is recovering from an ankle injury, entered the game shortly before the goal and responded by scoring the final two goals of the game.

"Today, we weren't going to play [Weissenhofer] but after getting ahead and getting some of the other players in, we thought we'd get her some time," Waldrum said. "Obviously, she played well, scoring the two goals."

Weissenhofer, who scored multiple goals in a contest for the fifth time in her Irish career, now has four goals this season and 22 at Notre Dame.

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hold off second-place Wisconsin.

The Irish shot a 52-over-par 904 (303-297-305) for the two-day tournament besting the Badgers, who shot a 908 (310-297-301).

Indiana finished third with a 916 (306-302-308), beating out Michigan by five strokes. Rounding out the top-five was Eastern Michigan, with a 924 (305-307-312).

Holt, despite being a little upset with the sloppy play, was proud of the way her golfers have performed so far this sea-

son.

"I don't want to take anything away from the players," Holt said. "They're at a position where everybody is out to beat them. I told them that there is a certain responsibility that

comes with their success. But at the end of the day, we're still undefeated through three tournaments, and I don't think any other team in the country can say that."

Irish junior Lisa Maunu led the way for Notre Dame with her eight-over par 221 (74-72-75). The co-captain birdied six holes in the tournament, leaving her in a tie for second, two strokes off the lead.

Freshman So-Hyun Park finished second for Notre Dame and fifth overall after she fired

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Susan Holt
Irish coach

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had another great chance when her shot in the 87th minute was tipped off the crossbar.

Freshman Julia Gragtmans got her head on the rebound, but Weston was able to make the stop.

Lauren [Hinton] adds a totally different dimension; it was nice to have her on the field,"

MacKenzie said. "She gave us some good minutes, but is not

ready to play for three quarters of a game. We have missed her offensive firepower, and we're going to have to figure out how to utilize her up top again."

Saint Mary's dominated play for most of the game but was unable to sneak one past the veteran Olivet goalkeeper. The Belles kept pressure on the offensive side of the ball but could not convert in front of the net.

"Finishing has been an issue," MacKenzie said. "But we're doing good things to create. We're still sorting it out."

The Belles took 17 shots, six of

which were in the two overtimes, compared to Olivet's eight shots

"We didn't bring a lot of energy until the last ten minutes of regulation play. There was not constant team energy."

Caryn MacKenzie
Belles coach

a nine-over-par 222 (74-71-77). Her second round 71 was the lowest score of any member of the team for the tournament.

Following Park in third was fellow first-year golfer Katie Conway. Her 15-over-par 228 (78-76-74) showed a consistent improvement through the three rounds.

Sophomore pair Annie Brophy and Kristin Wetzel finished in a tie for 26th to round out the Irish golfers. Brophy shot a 22-over-par 235 (77-78-80), while her teammate fired a 235 (79-78-78). Wetzel had an impressive series of holes in the second round when she birdied holes four and five and finished off the front nine with another birdie.

Notre Dame returns to the course on Oct. 19 for the three-day Lady Paladin Invitational hosted by Furman University in Greenville, S.C.

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on the day. Saint Mary's showed it could move the ball and play physical against this team, with sophomore defender Jessica Slean getting a yellow card in the 67th minute and two Olivet players and the coach each earning yellow cards in the second half and overtime.

Belles goalkeeper Amy Mahoney picked up her sixth shutout in 10 games.

"Amy had a few great saves for us," MacKenzie said. "We [have to] figure out how to help her and find the back of the net."

Mahoney had six-saves in the game, bringing her season total to 53.

The Belles will try to improve their offensive output this week before taking on Hope College Saturday.

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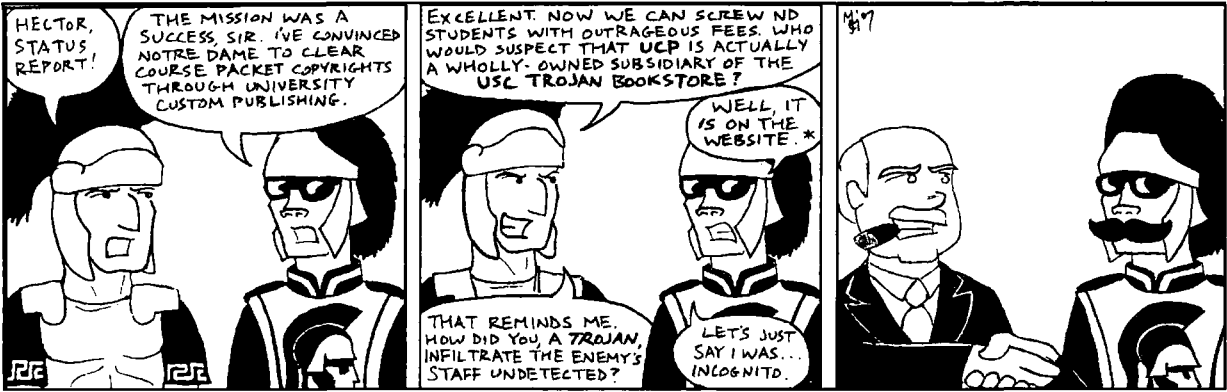
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17 Fortune-seeking trio

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54 War on drugs fighter

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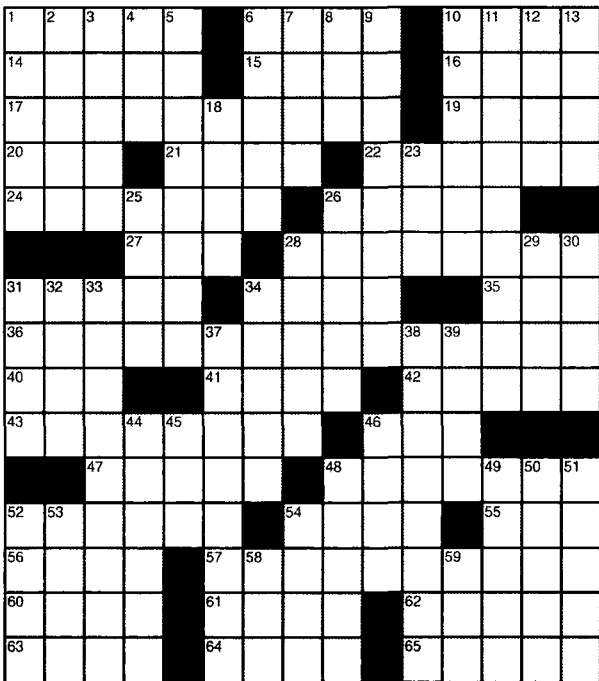
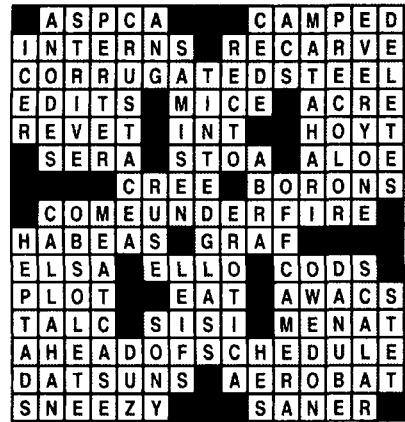
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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Avoid arguments at home and people who are overindulgent and you will maneuver your way into anything else that you want to pursue. Learn a positive approach from experienced individuals. 5 stars

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't take on so much that you don't know which way is up. It's better to do a little and do it well than to try to please everyone. Focus on what will benefit you the most and, if there is any time left over, you can help those trying to tie up your time. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): If you can travel or get involved in a function that allows you to network, do so. You will be able to make new contacts and prove your point if you are a participant. Money is heading your way and an investment you choose will pay off. 3 stars

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Back on track

Squad returns to form in pair of Big East victories over weekend

By FRAN TOLAN
Sports Writer

Notre Dame earned victories over Big East foes Louisville and Cincinnati this weekend, helping to ease an early season skid that has seen last year's national runner-up lose two of its last three games.

"I knew we'd get this thing turned around," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. "And this weekend was definitely a step towards that."

The Irish now have a 5-4-1 overall record, with a 3-0 mark in Big East games.

Notre Dame 1, Louisville 0

Senior captain Amanda Cinalli scored her third goal of the season to give the visiting Irish a narrow win over Louisville.

"I thought we did a pretty good job," Waldrum said. "Even though we only won by one, it's a tough place to play. They have a small field and a good



Irish senior forward Susan Pinnick controls the ball in front of the Cincinnati goal in a 6-1 victory over the Bearcats Sunday at Alumni Field. Notre Dame is 3-0 in the Big East.

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ND CROSS COUNTRY

Irish men take third straight

By CHRIS DOYEN
Sports Writer

Like a charm.

At the Notre Dame Invitational Friday, the Irish men won their third straight team title, beating out 22 teams in the Blue Division.

The women placed 12th in a field of 21 teams as Rice took first in the women's Blue Division.

Junior Patrick Smyth, who ran five miles in 23:44, led the men, coming in second out of 178 runners on the individual leaderboard. He was only seven seconds behind winner Joshua McDougal of Liberty University.

Irish senior Jake Watson finished with a time of 24:11, good enough for 10th overall. Other men placing for the Irish included freshman Dan Jackson (16th), sophomore Jake Walker (30th) and freshman Paul Springer (34th).

Jackson and Springer both improved their times signifi-

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SMC SOCCER

Saint Mary's plays in second straight double-overtime tie

By MEAGHAN VESELIK
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's tied conference opponent Olivet College Saturday after two overtimes, making it the Belles' second double-overtime

draw in a row.

The tie moved the Belles' record to 5-1-4 overall and 1-0-2 in the MIAA — putting them in third place.

The Belles were missing sophomore forward Micki Hedinger, who has been sidelined because

of an injury, and senior defenseman Justine Higgins, who was serving a one-game suspension after picking up two yellow cards in the team's 1-1 tie with Albion last week.

"We didn't bring a lot of energy until the last 10 minutes of regu-

lation play," Belles coach Caryn MacKenzie said. "There was not constant team energy."

The Belles had their best scoring chance of the game when sophomore defender Bridget Ronayne was awarded a penalty kick with three minutes remain-

ing in the first half. But Olivet goalkeeper Sarah Weston was up to the challenge and stoned Ronayne to pick up one of 12 saves on the day.

Junior forward Lauren Hinton

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MEN'S SOCCER

Win, draw put unbeaten streak at 7

By DAN MURPHY and
GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writers

No. 2 Notre Dame stretched its unbeaten streak to seven games this weekend with a 2-1 win over Louisville and a 1-1 draw with defending Big East champion Cincinnati.

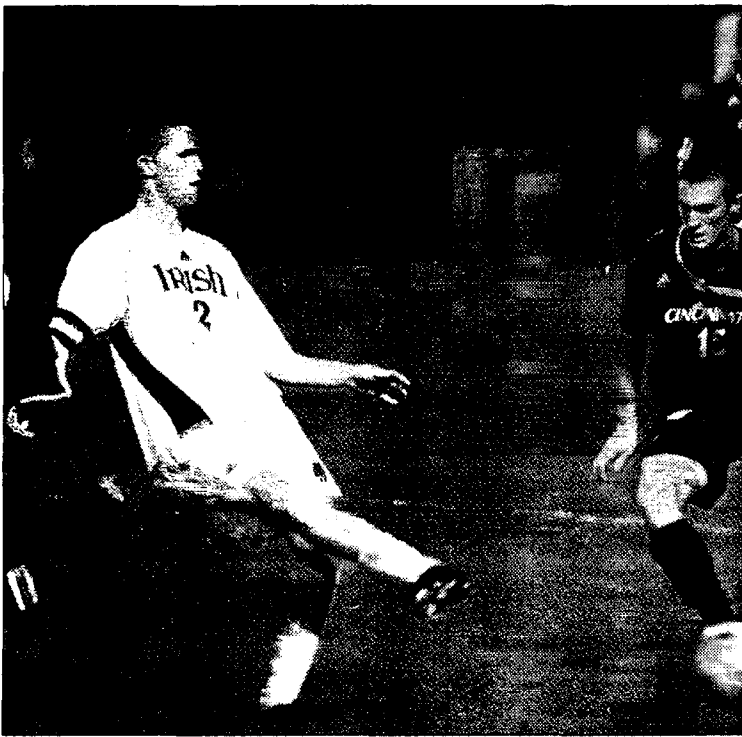
The team stayed unbeaten in the conference, moving to 4-0-1 against Big East teams and 6-1-2 overall this season.

Both games were played at Alumni Field and were the start of a stretch in which the Irish will play seven of eight on their home turf.

Notre Dame 1, Cincinnati 1

Notre Dame has accomplished a lot of things under coach Bobby Clark, but beating Cincinnati in Big East play isn't one of them.

Despite out-shooting the Bearcats 24-9 and holding an 11-2 edge in corner kicks, the Irish



CHRIS MASSAD/The Observer

Senior defender Ryan Miller makes a pass through several Cincinnati players in a 1-1 draw Friday at Alumni Field.

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Team starts season 3-0 for first time in history

By LORENZO REYES
Sports Writer

The putts keep on sinking, and Notre Dame just keeps on winning. And for the first time in Notre Dame's history, the Irish are three-for-three to start a season.

After consecutive victories in the Cougar Classic and Napa River Grill Cardinal Cup, the Irish overcame a two-stroke deficit to take the Wolverine Invitational Sunday.

Irish coach Susan Holt was happy to pick up the win but thinks her team should have played even better.

"If you look at the field, our competition wasn't as strong as it has been in the past," Holt said. "Our play was a bit sloppy at times, but in the end we were able to play good enough to win, and that's what matters."

At times during the season, Notre Dame has been too aggressive, eventually hurting itself. But the Irish have been able to play consistently enough to pull out three victories to start the season.

"We still need to work on some of our issues," Holt said. "Our course management is still a problem that we need to take care of. We're going to take these two and a half weeks that we have before our next tournament and try to overcome these problems."

After two rounds, host Michigan clung to the lead with Notre Dame breathing down its neck. The final round saw the Wolverines shoot a collective round of plus-39, dropping them to fourth place. The Irish shot a 304 on the day to pick up 19 strokes on Michigan and

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