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James Jones talks on his iPhone outside of South Dining Hall. iPhone users and all other AT&T users will now get better coverage.

CASEY CARNEY/The Observer

More bars in more places

AT&T expands coverage to serve Duncan Hall, Eck Hall of Law

By SARAH MERVOSH
News Writer

For Dan Manier, who works in the newly constructed Eck Hall of Law, the slogan 'more bars in more places' finally holds true.

"Just sitting at my desk, in the past I was receiving anywhere from zero, one or at most, two bars of service. Now, I get almost always four if not five bars," Manier, who is the director of Law School Information Technology, said.

Manier is one of many AT&T users who is benefiting from two new transmitters that have been

installed to serve the Eck Hall of Law and Duncan Hall directly, chief technology officer Dewitt Latimer said.

Prior to the installation, service in those buildings was "hit or miss," Latimer said.

In the law building, service depended on "whether you had a room or an office with a window in it or what side of the building you were on," he said.

AT&T saw that signal was weak in those two buildings and received feedback that there was room for improvement. The company consequently added the transmitters late this summer, Brian Ducharme, vice presi-

dent general manager for AT&T Consumer Markets and Mobility in Indiana, said.

"We've been very committed to working with everyone at the University to improve the customer experience there on campus," he said. "This year we added a couple more sites to improve some areas."

Ducharme said there should be a clear improvement for AT&T customers in those buildings.

"I think the two biggest noticeable benefits in these areas now will be a strengthened voice

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Kellogg to host reentry open house

By CARLY LANDON

Returning from an overseas study program can be difficult, shocking and exciting — even with adequate preparation. Every year, Notre Dame students who have studied abroad come back to campus eager to tell their stories, readjust to campus life and learn what to do with their learned experience abroad.

Tonight from 4 to 7 p.m., the Kellogg Institute is offering a Reentry Open House for all students returning from abroad at the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

According to the Office of International Studies, Notre Dame's rate of undergraduate participation in the abroad programs is about 53 percent.

"One of the things I think most offices on campus recognize now is it is not enough to just prepare students to go abroad," assistant director of the Kellogg Institute for International Studies Holly Rivers said.

Recognizing the need for more resources for abroad returnees, the Kellogg Institute is having its second open house for students returning from abroad. The Institute aims to help students incorporate their experience into their life at Notre Dame as well as do some-

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Notre Dame students get inspired to serve

By MOLLY MADDEN
News Writer

Inspire, a newly conceived service club at Notre Dame, hopes to fill an apparent void at the University and create a line of direct communication between Notre Dame students and non-profit organizations on campus and across the country.

"Basically we want to support Notre Dame students who are interested in becoming a part of or starting their own non-profit," club president Kathryn Colby said. "We want to be a resource for these students, whether that means helping them with business efficiency or setting them up with an internship in an alum's non-profit organization."

Colby, a junior, said while the club's official status is new, the idea formed two years ago

when she helped organize a charity gala for a student's non-profit organization here on campus.

"[Junior] Dan Jacobs and I organized an Oscar Night Gala our freshman year in which all the proceeds went to the Eyes on Africa Foundation, a non-profit here on campus," she said. "We had a huge turnout and found out that there were a lot of Notre Dame students with non-profits of their own. Dan and I got to talking and decided that we could maybe take our idea and change it into a student group."

Jacobs, a photographer for The Observer, said the Oscar Night Gala two years ago opened his eyes to how limited the resources were for non-profit organizations on campus.

"We just noticed that there

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Photo courtesy of Dan Jacobs

The Oscar Night on Gala Feb. 24, 2008, benefited Eyes on Africa and was an inspiration to create the new group.

ROTC blood drive draws big turnout

By KATIE PERALTA
Assistant News Editor

Notre Dame Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC), partnered with the American Red Cross, enjoyed a high turnout once again at Tuesday's semiannual blood drive in the LaFortune Ballroom.

The event, which takes place each semester and lasts two days, is a Tri-Military sponsored event, which means Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine ROTC contribute volunteers to staff the sign-in desk and assist with snack and beverage, Major Tim Dukeman, executive officer of Army ROTC at

Notre Dame, said.

Alliance To Lead And Serve (ATLAS), the ROTC cadet community service organization, helped put together the staffing plan for the ROTC volunteers and will assist in taking down the equipment when the blood drive concludes, Dukeman said. He himself planned much of the event, including the contact with the Red Cross.

Dukeman said he hopes this year's event draws record numbers.

"I am hoping we see between 270 and 300 people this time," he said. "Last semester, 262 people

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COURTNEY ECKERLE/The Observer

Sarah Krajewski waits as she gives blood Tuesday. The blood drive will also take place today from 12 to 6 p.m.

INSIDE COLUMN

A shameless plug

In my three years here, I've learned to accept certain universal truths about Notre Dame life.

There will never be parking in the C lot when you need it. There's a reason the Mendoza College of Business is ranked No. 2 in the country. There's a reason the economics department is not.

Freshmen take a while to realize they aren't as smart as they thought they were in high school. Student government is a largely useless organization.

But despite their general futility, occasionally the overachieving do-gooders on the second floor of LaFun strike gold. And they appear to have done so with their plans for the student-only pep rally this Thursday.

Rather than talking in circles and hypotheticals while achieving nothing, COR (or whichever of the many acronyms it is that is in charge of this thing) is actually putting one of their plans into action.

Students have been asking for their own pep rally as long as I've been here, and now we actually have one.

So take advantage of it.

As Viewpoint Editor, I read countless letters complaining about the state of the current pep rally system.

Now that student government is implementing an entirely student-run format, it falls to us to actually show up.

Prove that we actually have the school spirit everyone always claims mysteriously surrounds this place.

Even as a disgruntled senior, I can't help but be excited.

It's true that our section may be slightly less enthusiastic in the stadium as games progress and sobriety sets in, but perhaps the newly formatted pep rally will tailor to this tapering effect.

We as a student body finally have a chance to come together — without the token tourists ogling us as if we're some kind of spectacle to check off their "Things to see at Notre Dame" list — and experience the event from the good ol' days.

Considering what the alums have to say (via Viewpoint, of course), those times seemed rather enjoyable.

So go to the pep rally, and go early.

They start letting students in at 7:15 p.m., but apparently there's only room for 2,000 or so.

That means I'll have to elbow my way through all the enthusiastic freshmen to finally get a chance to experience a real pep rally here.

Perhaps student government deserves more credit. I'm thinking they have finally made an event that is worth my time and effort. I have it on good authority that "It's going to be crazy in there."

So long as it's not raining of course.

Because yet another universal truth about life here is that Stepan as an architectural structure is less than sound ... and it's ugly as hell too.

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

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Kara King

Assistant managing editor

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PLACE TO EAT ON CAMPUS?



Chase Riddle
sophomore Keenan

"North Dining Hall, because of the Salad Bar guy."



Mark Easley
sophomore Keenan

"In my room with Zaland pizza."



Chris Borchers
junior Sorin

"South Dining Hall. Nice card swipers."



Abby McCrary
freshman Walsh

"Reckers, because they have really good pizza."



Shawna Kolka
sophomore Farley

"North Dining Hall. Because it's better."

Have an idea for Question of the Day? E-mail observer.questions@gmail.com



TOM LA/The Observer

Members of the Air Force ROTC walk around campus Tuesday with their backpacks, as is their weekly ritual.

IN BRIEF

A Blood Drive will be held at noon in the ballroom of LaFortune Student Center. Participants can sign up at www.givelife.org and schedule an appointment today.

A lecture titled "Three Things Americans Don't Understand about the War in Iraq Right Now" will be held today from 4 to 6 p.m. at the McCartan Court Room in the Eck Hall of Law. Tom Ricks, former Defense correspondent, will speak.

The Welsh Family Hall Block Party will take place today on South Quad from 6 to 9 p.m. Event activities include a pie-eating contest, Twister, door prizes and more. Proceeds benefit the Touching Tiny Lives Foundation.

"King Lear" will be performed by the Actors from the London Stage (AFTLS) at Washington Hall at 7:30 p.m. every day until Friday. Tickets are \$20 regular price, \$18 for faculty, staff and seniors and \$12 for students.

"Para la Gente: Art, Politics and Cultural Identity of the Taller de Gráfica Popular" will take place today in the O'Shaughnessy Galleries in the Snite Museum of Art at 10 a.m.

An exhibit called "Thin: Photographs by Lauren Greenfield" will host 53 color photographs of young women with eating disorders. It will be held today in the O'Shaughnessy West Galleries in the Snite Museum of Art.

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

OFFBEAT

Flamingo prank leaves city with lasting legacy

MADISON — Some stories don't fly. This one doesn't even breathe.

The city council of Wisconsin's capital voted on Tuesday to designate the plastic pink flamingo its official bird, honoring a college prank committed 30 years ago.

In 1979, University of Wisconsin students planted roughly 1,000 of the pink plastic birds on a grassy incline outside the dean's office.

Alderman Marsha Rummel told the Wisconsin State Journal the council's

15-4 vote ensured the event was "captured in our imaginations forever."

Man donates record amount of blood

WOODBURY, N.Y. — A New York man is donating his 320th pint of blood this week, making him one of two people in the U.S. who has given 40 gallons.

Seventy-five-year-old Al Fischer of Massapequa (mass-ah-PEE'-kwah) plans to reach the milestone Tuesday, 58 years after he started giving blood.

According to a New York Blood Center official, only

83-year-old Maurice Wood has donated more blood than Fischer. Wood is a retired railroad inspector from St. Louis.

Fischer, a print shop operator, donates blood about six times a year. He says he and Wood are engaged in a friendly rivalry and last spoke to each other a few months ago.

Long Island Blood Services executive director Harvey Schaffler says Fischer has helped almost 1,000 people.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

Student-run pep rally planned

By LIZ O'DONNELL
News Writer

The Council of Representatives (COR) discussed plans for Thursday evening's pep rally in the Stepan Center in their meeting on Tuesday evening.

Student body president Grant Schmidt said student government would play a large role in running the pep rally.

"This pep rally will be literally student-run," Schmidt said. "The

football office will control only minor details."

Student body vice president Cynthia Webber explained to the council basic details of the rally.

Doors are set to open at 7:15 p.m. and the football team will arrive at 8:30 p.m. Schmidt and Weber did not know where the team would enter, but said they would be sitting on stage.

Up to three speakers will address the crowd, and the pep will conclude at approximately 9:00 p.m.

Students will not be allowed to bring backpacks to the pep rally due to the lack of sufficient space in the venue.

Schmidt said COR members should try to get the word about the pep rally out as quickly as possible.

Flyers, posters and e-mails to the student body were the advertising tactics Schmidt said will be most effective.

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College asks for off-campus safety

By MEGHAN PRICE
News Writer

As the school year kicks off and South Bend is again filled with students leaving campus to pursue off-campus activities, Saint Mary's College Security is once again urging students to exercise caution while away from campus.

Stan Himczak, assistant director of security, said student life is very safe at Saint Mary's College. It is when students leave campus, he said, that they are at risk.

The security department always encourages students to be aware of what is going on around them, however, the need for alertness increases immensely when they choose to leave Saint Mary's, he said.

Himczak emphasized the need for students to be aware of their surroundings at all times and encouraged students to be wary of new people they meet while in town. He also said new students should be especially careful because they are not familiar with South Bend.

"We help to promote student awareness by providing safety programs, with information provided on our Web site and through safety alert and notifications," Saint Mary's director of security David Gariepy said.

Saint Mary's offers a variety of resources to those students who may be put in danger while off campus.

Besides the transportation offered by the trolley, which stops running at 11 p.m. during the week and 2:30 a.m. on the weekend, and the late night van, "Blinkie," which runs for two hours after the

trolley ends, students that need help can call the College's security at any time and be picked up by a security officer.

Himczak said that if security is unable to come, they will help arrange other transportation.

"We want to help you the best we can, with the resources we have," Himczak said.

While on campus, however, Saint Mary's students can feel safe. According to the annual crime report published by security, the College has enjoyed increasingly lower crime rates over the past three

years. Of the crimes that are committed on campus, most are not threatening to the students. Most crimes, Himczak said, are petty.

"Larceny and alcohol related incidents have been our largest reported incident problems," Gariepy said.

Although crime rate is not high at Saint Mary's, students should not dismiss suspicious activity because SMC crime can be kept low with the help of students.

Ultimately, whether on campus or off, the entire community can benefit from students being more conscious. Students are also urged to report any unusual incidents to security, Gariepy and Himczak said.

"We encourage students to become involved in helping to maintain a safe campus by reporting any and all suspicious activity or criminal activity," said Gariepy.

Students who need assistance or suspect any unusual activity are encouraged to call 574-284-5000.

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David Gariepy
director
Saint Mary's security

Undergraduate research grant proposal workshop



SESSION I

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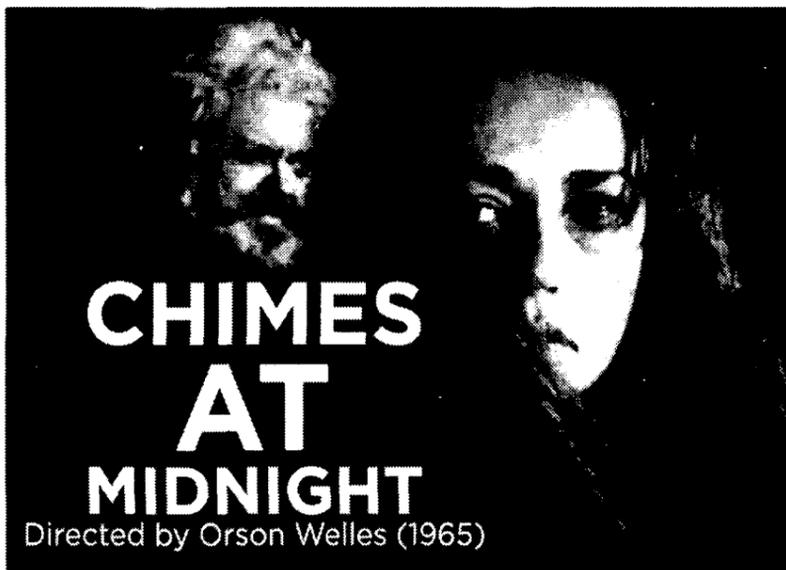
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quality and improved coverage, particularly in the building," he said. "And then, of course, customers will experience much improved data speeds."

Manier said he has seen a definite improvement in the service in the law building. "As far as the coverage that we're experiencing in the building, it's definitely better," Manier said. "That doesn't mean that we don't have times when calls are cut off. It does happen, but in general, our coverage is much improved." Latimer said reactions from people in Duncan Hall and the Law Building have been posi-

"I was receiving anywhere from zero, one or at most, two bars of service. Now I get almost four if not five bars."

Dan Manier
director
Law School Information
Technology

tive. "Folks in the Law School are ecstatic," he said. "Reports I get back from students in Duncan Hall is that all except for one corner of the building are getting the acceptable coverage and the one corner is the corner that is facing inward towards McGlinn. That's a very difficult corner to cover." Prior to the new transmitter, Manier said AT&T had worse coverage than Verizon Wireless in the Eck Hall of Law, but now, AT&T outperforms its competitor.

"Before, where we had just really awful AT&T service, Verizon was maybe not as awful but still in that category. It's just not reliable," he said. "[Verizon service] is not as good now as the AT&T service." Manier said he hopes that

Verizon will decide to improve coverage in the area now that AT&T has done so. "Often that's what happens when you've got two primary vendors in a situation like this. If one does it the other tries to follow suit so they don't lose business," he said. Latimer said Verizon and AT&T are the only companies who have chosen to put transmitters on campus, so their service is much better than companies like Sprint and T-Mobile, who do not have transmitters on campus. "We are always in open conversations with [other cellular companies.] We would love to have them on campus. It's just up to them to make that decision," he said.

"And what we've always told the students is if they are unhappy with their cellular coverage on campus then they need to call their cell phone company and complain," Latimer said.

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showed up. We would love to keep increasing the number who want to give." The number of donors so far in this year's event, Dukeman said, already is promising.

"We had a completely full appointment list before the first drop of blood was drawn," he said.

Dukeman said the event has its volunteers to thank for the first day's success.

"The Notre Dame family makes this one of the biggest blood drives in this part of the country," he said. "Last semester, 235 pints were collected. According to the Red Cross volunteers who worked the event, this was the most they had ever collected over a two-day period. It couldn't be done without the people coming in and giving of themselves."

Cadets GERALYN JANKE and Griffin BONNEMA were two of the Army volunteers staffing the event. Both echoed Dukeman's optimism about this year's event. "We've had a really good

turnout," Bonnema said. "We have more than 20 appointments per hour, including more walk-ins."

Cadets like Janke and Bonnema, who worked the event in shifts with fellow cadets, ensured that volunteers sign in and read through the informational packet before donating. Donors were then required to go through a questionnaire and iron test.

The two cadets said while giving blood is a gift itself, donors do have another incentive: Each day volunteers are entered into a raffle to win a \$150 Visa gift card.

"We also have free Coke and cookies," Bonnema said.

Kailyn Van Beckman, a senior cadet captain from Valparaiso University, worked with Dukeman to plan the event, as well as to publicize it.

"[To inform potential donors,] we used posters and a LISTSERV," Van Beckman said. "But if I could do it again I'd make it a Facebook group."

The event continues tomorrow in the LaFortune Ballroom from noon until 6 p.m.

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Inspire

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was a huge gap with Notre Dame and the non-profit sector as a whole," Jacobs, the Inspire vice president, said. "We saw that need and decided that we could become that network that acts as the bridge between students and the non-profits."

Colby said when she looked further into this apparent gap in non-profit resources on campus, she was surprised by what she found.

"There just wasn't really anything, not even an organization of the alumni who have non-profits," she said. "I was kind of shocked since Notre Dame is so much about service."

This lack of information and the immense interest they had found at the Oscar Night Gala led Colby and Jacobs to begin discussing forming a club.

"We had the idea of this go-to network for support and inspiration for students interested and involved with the non-profit sector," Jacobs said.

Two years later, that idea has transformed into Inspire, which

holds its first official meeting tonight in LaFortune Student Center. While the club is a recent addition to campus, Jacobs is confident that Inspire will be a success.

"Things are really coming together," he said. "We have a lot of devoted people involved and because of that I think that Inspire will hopefully expand into the future."

The club already has plans for two events to take place this year that would be educational and charitable.

"Ideally, I would like to do a seminar first semester and a charity event like the Oscar gala next semester," Colby said. "Eventually, I would like us to have an event each month."

Colby has made sure that there are plenty of resources for the club members to consult should they decide to start their own organization.

"I've been working closely with Tom Harvey, who is the administrator of the Non-Profit Master's Degree Program at Mendoza [College of Business], the alumni and non-profit organizations in the South Bend area," she said. "We have a lot of people from different areas

helping us so I think that club has the potential to become large and campus-wide."

While she has already found an abundance of resources for students, Colby is still working on bringing more people into the club for consultation and advice.

"I don't want someone thinking 'I'm 20 years old, I want to start a non-profit, how the hell do I do that,'" she said. "I'm trying to get a go-to guy at the law school who can help with the law aspects of setting up these organizations and some grad students have contacted me as well. We're continually branching out."

Colby said most importantly, she hopes Inspire can do for students just what the title says — inspire.

"I want the club to inspire Notre Dame kids to go out and make the world a better place but in their own unique way," she said. "Whether that be on a local, national or international level I just want them to have the opportunity to do it."

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HIV AND THE RULE OF LAW: HUMAN RIGHTS AT HOME AND ABROAD

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Friday, September 11

9:00 - 10:30 a.m. **Access to HIV Treatment & Care at Home & Abroad**
Moderator: Jessica Brock, Notre Dame Law School
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Gregg Gonzalez, Yale University/International AIDS Advocate
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10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. **Populations Most At-Risk for HIV Infection: Issues & Answers**
Moderator: Professor Sean O'Brien, Notre Dame Law School
Evelyn Tomaszewski, National Association of Social Workers HIV/AIDS Spectrum
Michelle Batchelor, National Alliance of State & Territorial AIDS Directors

12:30 - 2:00 p.m. **Faith-based Approaches to the HIV/AIDS Pandemic**
Moderator: David P. Rausser, McGuireWoods LLP
Dr. Memona Hossain, University of Illinois at Chicago Medical School
Kevin Kocik, Catholic Relief Services
Matthew Ellis, National Episcopal AIDS Coalition

2:30 - 4:00 p.m. **HIV, Human Rights and Corporate Responsibility**
Moderator: Shelley Hayes, Chair, ABA AIDS Coordinating Committee, S&H Consulting, LLC
Victor Barnes, National AIDS Fund
Bret Fletcher, Glaxo Sciences, Inc.
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4:15 - 5:45 p.m. **Bridging the Medical & Legal Communities for People with HIV**
Moderator: Gloria Sumner, Wilson, Elser, Markowitz, Edelman & Dickel, LLP
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Roadside bomb kills 4 US soldiers

BAGHDAD — Roadside bombs killed four U.S. soldiers in Iraq on Tuesday, the military said, in the deadliest day for American troops in the country in weeks, as a series of bomb attacks along roads claimed eight Iraqi lives.

The first roadside bomb struck a patrol in southern Baghdad, killing one American soldier, the military said. A short time later, another bomb targeting a patrol in northern Iraq killed three soldiers, the military said.

The U.S. military, which pulled back from populated areas of Iraq before the end of June, has suffered fewer casualties in recent weeks. In August, seven U.S. troops died — the lowest monthly toll since the war began in March 2003.

Tuesday marked the deadliest day for U.S. forces since June 29, when four soldiers were killed by a roadside bomb in Baghdad.

Tornado, mudslides kill 16 people

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina — A violent storm that spawned a tornado and mudslides killed at least 16 people across northern Argentina and southern Brazil, authorities said Tuesday. Dozens were injured in the winds and hail as their homes were destroyed.

At least 10 died in Argentina, said Ricardo Veselka, civil defense director for the town of San Pedro, where the twister hit.

"Whole houses disappeared," Veselka said. "There are posts down, trees down, and there are more than 50 injured."

NATIONAL NEWS

Three great white sharks tagged

BOSTON — A total of five great white sharks have now been electronically tagged off Cape Cod, allowing experts to track their movements and learn more about their migratory habits.

The Massachusetts state office of Energy and Environmental Affairs said three sharks were tagged Tuesday off Monomy (MAW-nomy) Island, near Chatham. Agency spokesman Kate Plourd said the largest of the three was about 15 feet long.

Two great whites were tagged Saturday by a harpooner working with a state shark expert. Officials said it was the first successful tagging of the creatures off Massachusetts. An attempt in 2004 failed when the device detached.

The sharks were first spotted last week, prompting officials to close Chatham-area beaches to swimming over the Labor Day weekend.

Budget prevents return to moon

WASHINGTON — A White House panel of independent space experts says NASA's return-to-the-moon plan just won't fly.

The problem is money. The expert panel estimates it would cost about \$3 billion a year beyond NASA's current \$18 billion annual budget.

"Under the budget that was proposed, exploration beyond Earth is not viable," panel member Edward Crawley, a professor of aeronautics at MIT, told The Associated Press Tuesday.

The report gives options to President Obama, but NASA's plans have to change.

LOCAL NEWS

Communities propose park bans

LEBANON, Ind. — A central Indiana city is moving ahead with a proposal to ban convicted sex offenders from public parks, and nearby town may consider such a move after the state Supreme Court rejected a request to throw out a similar ordinance.

The court last month declined to hear a lawsuit seeking to overturn a ban in Plainfield, letting stand without comment a state Court of Appeals ruling upholding the 2002 ordinance.

Lebanon Mayor Huck Lewis says an attorney is drafting the ordinance, which will likely be presented to the City Council Sept. 14.

VIRGINIA

Obama challenges nation's students

President encourages youth to take responsibility for education, success

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Va. — In a pep talk that kept clear of politics, President Barack Obama on Tuesday challenged the nation's students to take pride in their education — and stick with it even if they don't like every class or must overcome tough circumstances at home.

"Every single one of you has something that you're good at. Every single one of you has something to offer," Obama told students at Wakefield High School in suburban Arlington, Va., and children watching his speech on television in schools across the country. "And you have a responsibility to yourself to discover what that is."

Presidents often visit schools, and Obama was not the first one to offer a back-to-school address aimed at millions of students in every grade.

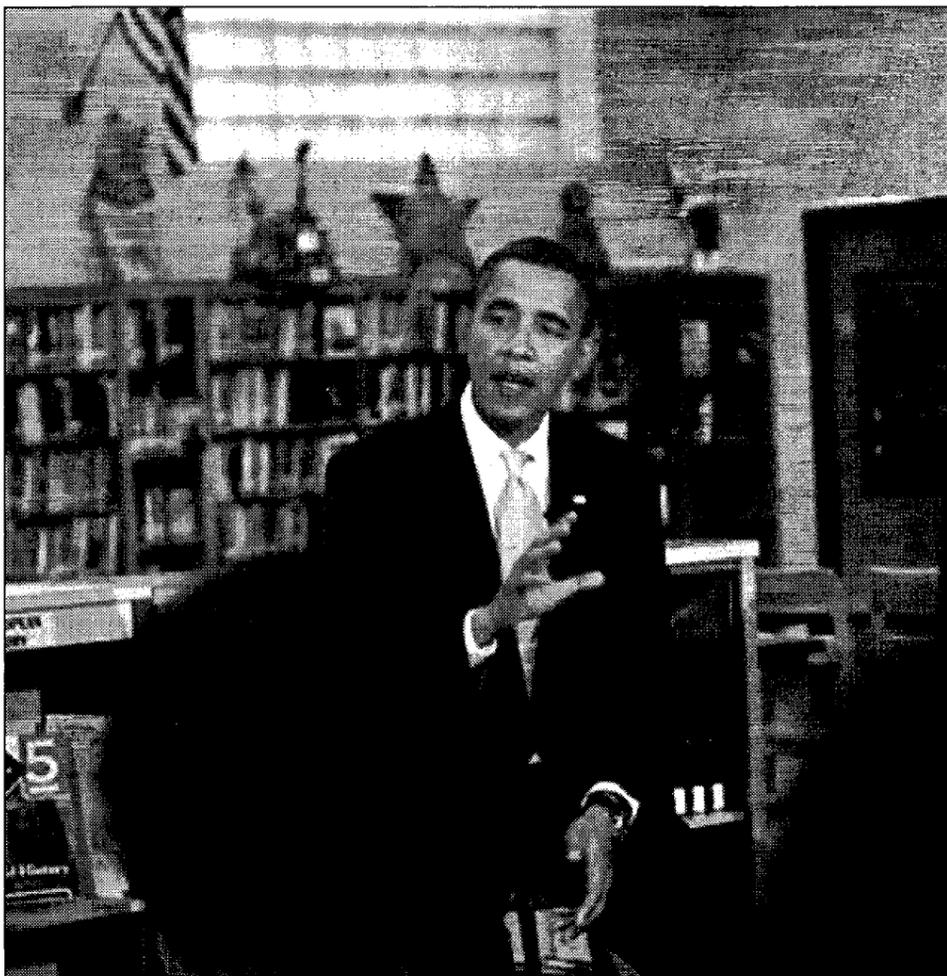
Yet this one was doused with controversy from the beginning, as several conservative organizations and many concerned parents warned Obama was trying to sell his political agenda. That concern was caused in part by an accompanying administration lesson plan encouraging students to "help the president," which the White House later revised and Education Secretary Arne Duncan acknowledged Tuesday was wrongheaded.

School districts in some areas decided not to provide their students access to his midday speech.

Upon arrival at the school, Obama's motorcade was greeted by a small band of protesters. One carried a sign exclaiming: "Mr. President, stay away from our kids."

Obama didn't mention the uproar.

He preceded his broad-scale talk by meeting with about 40 Wakefield students in a school library,



President Obama, accompanied by Education Secretary Arne Duncan, talks to students prior to delivering a speech on education at Wakefield High School in Arlington, Va., Sept. 8.

where at one point he advised them to "be careful what you post on Facebook. Whatever you do, it will be pulled up again later somewhere in your life."

"When I was your age," Obama said, "I was a little bit of a goof-off. My main goal was to get on the varsity basketball team and have fun."

One young person asked why the country doesn't have universal health insurance. "I think we need it. I think we can do it," Obama replied. The president said the country can afford to insure all Americans and that doing so will save money in the long run.

He also told the group that not having a father at home "forced me to grow up faster."

Asked to name one person — dead or alive — he would choose to dine with, Obama said inspirational leader Mohandas K. Gandhi.

"He's somebody I find a lot of inspiration in. He inspired Dr. (Martin Luther) King with his message of nonviolence," Obama said. "He ended up doing so much and changed the world just by the power of his ethics."

The White House released the text of his speech a day early so school officials and parents could evaluate it before it

was delivered. Obama gave it virtually unchanged, and it was carried live on C-SPAN and the White House Web site.

"There is no excuse for not trying," he said. "The truth is, being successful is hard. You won't love every subject that you study. You won't click with every teacher that you have."

The school he chose as the setting for his talk — Wakefield — is the most economically and racially diverse school in Arlington County, according to the Department of Education. Nearly 40 percent of graduating seniors pass an Advanced Placement test. That's more than twice the national average.

GAZA STRIP

U.N. caught in Gaza dispute over Holocaust

Associated Press

GAZA CITY — Gaza students won't learn about the Holocaust this year.

Angry protests by Palestinians have disrupted tentative plans to introduce information about the Nazi genocide of 6 million Jews into the curriculum in U.N. schools.

The dispute touches on one of the largest psychological barriers dividing Arabs and Jews: Arabs see the Holocaust as an excuse for Israel's creation, and Jews see Arab Holocaust denial as a rejection of Israel's right to exist.

The uproar has left the U.N. Relief and Works Agency, which runs 221 of

more than 600 primary and secondary schools in Gaza, caught between the territory's Hamas leaders — some of them ardent Holocaust deniers — and outraged Jewish groups.

Some in Hamas accused the U.N. agency of trying to generate sympathy for Israel and conspiring against the Palestinians. In turn, Jewish activists demanded to know why the subject of the genocide wasn't part of the human rights syllabus in the first place.

"Now we are being bashed from all quarters," the agency's chief in Gaza, John Ging, told The Associated Press.

The controversy erupted last week, after an umbrella group for

Palestinian refugees in Gaza protested what it said were plans to teach eighth-graders in U.N. schools about the Holocaust.

U.N. officials denied they had such intentions for this school year and insisted they weren't scaling back in response to public pressure.

Regional agency chief Karen Abu Zayd suggested information about the Holocaust could be included in later years, as part of lessons about the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights. UNWRA's Web site mentions general plans to include the Holocaust in lessons on the "historical context that gave rise to" that declaration.

NY houses mentally ill in nursing home

Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — New York state violated the Americans with Disabilities Act by housing more than 4,300 mentally ill people in large nursing homes rather than integrating them into the community, a federal judge ruled Tuesday.

In a decision likely to affect similar cases in other states, U.S. District Judge Nicholas Garaufis of Brooklyn said that under federal law, the state must provide services to the disabled "in the most integrated setting appropriate to their needs," enabling them to interact with people who aren't disabled as much as possible.

Disability Advocates, the Albany-based nonprofit group that sued the state in 2003, said many people in adult homes would be better off in their own apartments — at no more cost to the state.

"We're thrilled with today's decision," said Cliff Zucker, executive director of Disability Advocates. "We think it will make an extraordinary difference in the lives of more than 4,000 people who are now warehoused in institutions when they could be housed in the community."

Jill Daniels, spokeswoman for the state Office of Mental Health, said the agency was reviewing the ruling. She said it had no immediate comment.

Ira Burnim, legal director for the Bazelon Center Mental Health Law in Washington, D.C., said his center is involved in similar legal challenges in Connecticut and Illinois.

"I think this case will have a national impact," Burnim said. "One reason is that the decision itself is so compelling. It's very comprehensive in its findings of fact."

He said the trial included persuasive testimony from prominent experts, such as Dr. Kenneth Duckworth, medical director of the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Duckworth testified that adult homes often were more institutional-like than the old state mental hospitals.

In his 210-page decision, the judge said Disability Advocates had proven in a bench trial that virtually all its constituents were qualified to live in "supported housing," including apartments scattered throughout the community while receiving needed services.

The adult home system resulted from the practice nationwide in the 1960s and 1970s of moving people with mental illness out of large, regimented institutions. New York moved most patients out of state-run psychiatric hospitals and settled them into the community or profit-making adult homes.

"The court found it was pretty much the luck of the draw," Zucker said. "If there were openings in the community, the resident went there. Otherwise they went to adult homes — big institutions."

According to the court documents, the state has 380 adult homes; New York City has 44. Some homes house more than 120 to 200 people.

During the trial, witnesses testified the large homes were in some respects more restrictive than the mental institutions they replaced. They told of lines of 200 residents waiting for medications and residents having virtually no privacy. In addition, witnesses said, the homes foster "learned helplessness" because residents are not allowed to cook, clean, do laundry, or manage their own finances.

The court said the state failed to show that it would cost more to provide services in a community setting than in an adult home. Moreover, the judge said, it would save Medicaid costs to move residents to apartments. When Medicaid costs are considered, the annual cost of serving a resident in supported housing is on average \$146 cheaper than serving that person in an adult home, the court found.

With the ruling, the state Office of Mental Health must propose a remedy. Disability Advocates will be able to critique it. The judge will then issue an injunction spelling out what changes the state must make.

Kellogg

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thing greater with their abroad experience, Rivers said, such as an internship or fellowship.

"When students return to campus they are trying to process their experience and also trying to decide how to integrate their study abroad, summer experience or internship into their time at Notre Dame," Rivers said.

"A lot of students worry that they learned something valuable, that their lives were changed and that they're going to lose that," she said.

The Reentry Open House will offer guidance and advice to returning students so that they can enhance their eligibility for post-graduate careers, fellowships or graduate study.

"Our students are now well qualified to do something greater with their time abroad," River said. "And there are resources available to help them think more strategically and more creatively about their abroad experience."

Reentry Sessions led by Cecilia Lucero, assistant director of Undergraduate Scholarly Engagement, and Lance Askildson, director of the Center for Study of Languages and Literatures, will also be available at 4, 5 and 6 p.m.

"Both these centers are new this year to Notre Dame," Rivers said. "The sessions serve to help launch these new centers and acquaint students with the services available through them."

Other information about grants, fellowships, conferences and classes will be available by the 28 different

Notre Dame offices also present at the Open House. These offices include the Career Center, the Center for Social Concerns and the University Counseling Center.

Rivers also encouraged students who have not yet been abroad to go to the Open House.

"There are students who have never been abroad who show up because they are interested in the opportunities and resources out there," Rivers said. "And quite frankly it is a great resource for that as well."

The technology room will also be available so students can share their photos taken abroad. The Kellogg Institute also hopes to encourage students to reconnect with friends and share their experiences this evening at the Open House.

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Cal. senator focuses on erosion

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Sen. Barbara Boxer on Tuesday urged the U.S. Department of Agriculture to focus on prevention of erosion when winter rains fall on areas blackened by California wildfires.

"Erosion from steep hillsides will threaten water quality and often cause mudslides that damage property downstream and can seriously exacerbate flooding, as debris, mud and rocks clog flood basins," Boxer said in a letter to Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack.

The California Democrat urged the department to use resources from such sources

as the Emergency Watershed Protection program.

The program provides funds and technical assistance to help local governments clear debris from watercourses, stabilize riverbanks and restore vegetation, according to the Web site of the department's Natural Resources Conservation Service.

The biggest current blaze, still burning northeast of Los Angeles two weeks after being ignited by arson, was 60 percent contained after blackening 160,357 acres, or 250 square miles, of Angeles National Forest.

Authorities have said the so-called Station Fire was ignited

Aug. 26 along Angeles Crest Highway. Two Los Angeles County firefighters were killed Aug. 30 when their truck plunged off a mountain road.

The county Board of Supervisors on Tuesday approved a \$50,000 reward for information leading to the conviction of whoever set the blaze. The state has already offered a \$100,000 reward.

The major area of firefighting remained on the eastern end in the San Gabriel Wilderness. Authorities said fire activity continued to decrease, but unfavorable weather conditions forced another day's delay in planned backfiring operations.

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IN BRIEF

Plan outlined for balancing budget

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Gov. Jennifer Granholm said Tuesday she wants to balance the upcoming budget by cutting about half the \$1.2 billion Senate Republicans have suggested while raising about \$550 million in expanded taxes and fees.

Many of the ideas had been mentioned previously but Tuesday was the first time the Democratic governor issued a written copy of her proposal. She said her plan has been on the table since Aug. 6 and includes phasing out an unpopular business tax surcharge over three years. The Republican-controlled Senate finished passing its own budget-balancing plan in June.

But Democrats who control the House still are discussing how they want to tackle a \$1.8 billion shortfall in the state general fund and a \$900 million gap in the school aid fund in the budget year that starts Oct. 1.

Granholm said no one wants a repeat of the 2007 state government shutdown.

"The Senate has a plan. We have a plan," she said. "We now need for the House to move their plan. Once that is done, then we can move forward."

Bid submitted for Sun-Times

CHICAGO — A private investor group led by Chicago banker James Tyree has submitted a \$5 million cash bid for newspaper publisher Sun-Times Media Group, which is currently in bankruptcy protection.

STMG Holdings LLC also would assume \$20 million worth of liabilities. Sun-Times Media, which owns the Chicago Sun-Times and 58 suburban Chicago newspapers and Web sites, filed for Chapter 11 in March.

The company's statement late Tuesday didn't specify who is in the investor group or future plans for the newspapers.

Tyree, the chairman of Mesirov Financial Holdings, has said his goal would be to keep the Chicago Sun-Times, the company's largest newspaper, as well as its other papers and Web sites.

Sun-Times Media Group CEO Jeremy Halbreich says the agreement is a "very positive step."

The sale is contingent on agreement from unions and a judge's approval.

Google battles for book deal

Legal arguments criticize, praise company's deal for digital rights to online library

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Microsoft Corp., Yahoo Inc. and a prominent antitrust lawyer urged a federal judge Tuesday to block a class-action settlement that would give Google Inc. the digital rights to a vast library of books.

As that coalition warned of a literary cartel that would lead to higher prices and less competition, Sony Electronics, a technology trade group and economics professors came to Google's defense by depicting the book deal as a breakthrough that would make billions available to anyone on the Internet.

Tuesday's legal sparring came on the deadline for written arguments about a \$125 million settlement that would entrust Google with a digital database containing millions of copyright-protected books, including titles no longer being published.

But at least one more key document is expected before U.S. District Judge Denny Chin holds an Oct. 7 hearing in New York to review the settlement. The Justice Department has until Sept. 18 to file its brief, which may provide some inkling on whether antitrust regulators have determined if the deal would hurt competition.

The settlement, reached last October, has raised the specter of Google becoming even more powerful than it already has become as the owner of the Internet's most popular search and most lucrative advertising network.

Those concerns represented the crux of a 32-page brief written by Silicon Valley attorney Gary Reback, who helped the Justice Department pursue an antitrust case against Microsoft's bundling of personal computer software in the 1990s.

Reback filed the brief



Exterior view of Google headquarters in Mountain View, Calif. Amazon.com Inc. is warning that Google Inc. will be able to gouge consumers and stifle competition with vast digital library.

Tuesday on behalf of the Open Book Alliance, which includes Microsoft, Yahoo, Internet bookseller Amazon.com Inc., other companies and nonprofit organizations. Microsoft and Yahoo, which compete with Google in search, also filed separate arguments; Amazon submitted its protest last week.

The alliance contends Google conspired with the author and publishing groups that sued the Mountain View-based company to make it more difficult for competitors to create similar indexes of digital books. The alliance contends that competitive barriers would empower Google, authors and publishers to raise prices of digital books well above

the current standard of about \$10 per volume.

"The publishing industry desperately wants to raise the retail price point for digital books," Reback wrote for the alliance. "The book settlement permits them to achieve that by working with Google."

Google would give 63 percent of its digital book sales to the participating authors and publishers. The settlement covers books under U.S. copyright through Jan. 5, 2009, unless the copyright owners decline to join the agreement.

Backers of the book deal — including 32 professors specializing in antitrust and economics law — contend the antitrust concerns are unfounded.

The Computer Communications Industry Association, a trade association critical of Microsoft during its antitrust case in the 1990s, argued that Google's nonexclusive agreement won't prevent other merchants from selling electronic books — if they can spend an estimated \$100 million to enter the e-book market.

If anything, lawyers for Sony Corp.'s electronics division argued, the increased supply of books available through Google's digital library would foster more innovation and lower prices for electronic readers, including Sony's own.

However, the misgivings about Google's settlement extend beyond its effects on the digital book market.

Consumers cut debt by record \$21.6B

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Consumers slashed their borrowing in July by the largest amount on record as job losses and uncertainty about the economic recovery prompted Americans to rein in their debt.

Economists expect consumers will continue to spend less, save more and trim debt to get household finances into better shape. Such behavior, though, is a recipe for a lethargic revival, because consumer spending accounts for 70 percent of economic activity.

The Federal Reserve reported Tuesday that consumers in July ratcheted back their credit by a larger-than-anticipated \$21.6 billion

from June, the most on records dating to 1943. Economists had expected credit to drop by \$4 billion.

July's retreat translated into an annualized decline of 10.4 percent. That followed a cut of \$15.5 billion in June, or a 7.4 percent annualized drop, and was the most since a 16.3 percent decline in June 1975.

The latest cut still left total consumer credit at \$2.47 trillion.

Wary consumers at hard-to-get credit both factor into the scaled-back borrowing. But economists are split on which force — lack of demand by consumers or lack of supply from banks — is having the bigger influence.

"It's really a tug of war," said Mark Williams, professor of finance and economics at Boston University and a

former Fed bank examiner. "It's true that consumers are being more responsible, saying 'I don't really need that extra credit card,' but it is more related to banks clamping down on lending."

But Erik Hurst, economics professor at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business, says it is impossible to know for sure. "We are seeing declines in demand for loans from consumers but also declines in the supply of loans from banks. How much of the credit cutback is due to the decline in supply or demand, you can't really tell."

Last month, the Federal Reserve, in a survey of bank loan officers, found somewhat weaker demand for all types of consumer loans, the Fed survey said.

Nickelodeon, MTV, Comedy Central get schooled

Bill & Miranda Gates Foundation and Viacom Inc. partner to launch a campaign to reduce the number of dropouts

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Students who might be too glued to their televisions to keep up with homework are going to find channels like MTV, Comedy Central and Nickelodeon prodding them to get on task and graduate.

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is partnering with Viacom Inc.'s television networks, education leaders and celebrities to launch an awareness campaign to reduce the number of dropouts.

“People should understand how the system is falling short today and how it really contradicts our commitment to equal opportunity,” said Bill Gates in an interview with The Associated Press. “If we don’t change it now, it will hurt the future of the country as a whole.”

Only one-third of American high school students graduate with the skills necessary to succeed in college and the nation’s workplaces, said Gates.

“All too often, the value and benefit of education are not real enough to kids,” said Tony Miller, deputy secretary of the U.S. Department of Education. Charities and industry won’t have to go it alone; about \$100 billion of the federal stimulus package is dedicated to improvements in education, said Miller.

The “Get Schooled” initiative focuses on low graduation rates in college and high school and the accountability of teachers. Gates criticized the practice of salaries rewarding seniority over proven efficacy, calling it a detriment to quality education.

A student drops out of an American high school every 26 seconds, according to the Seattle-based Gates Foundation.

At that rate, not enough American children are graduating high school and college to stay competitive in the global marketplace, said Viacom President and CEO Philippe Dauman.

“We don’t know much about substance, we’re about fluff at Viacom,” Dauman said with a laugh. The Viacom chief, whose networks also include VH1, CMT, Spike TV, TV Land and Logo, said he told Gates a year ago, “We know kids, we know how to reach them; if you provide the substance we can be the megaphone.”

To launch the five-year campaign, the documentary “Get Schooled” was set to premiere on all of Viacom’s networks simultaneously at 8 p.m. EDT Tuesday night.

The documentary features pop singer Kelly Clarkson, bas-

ketball star LeBron James and President Barack Obama, but the program’s real focus is on people behind the scenes, like a presidential speechwriter, and how education brought them success.

Dauman said the “Get Schooled” initiative would find its way into plot lines and programs, like BET’s documentary “Bring Your ‘A’ Game,” which featured prominent black men who have achieved success.

But “we’re not going to go to all PBS-type programming,” Dauman said. “In order to reach kids, you have to entertain them.”

Activism is not new for Viacom and its networks. MTV has raised AIDS awareness, promoted participation in elections and led other education initiatives.

The Gates Foundation, started by Microsoft Corp. founder Bill Gates and his wife, has invested more than \$2 billion in educational programs since 2000.

At a Los Angeles event to launch the “Get Schooled” campaign, New York City schools chief Joel Klein said he was hopeful the approach would succeed because “trying to get traction with the millions and millions of kids in school is something that’s been a challenge.”

“When you bring the resources and the vision that the Gates family and foundation has, coupled with the distribution assets that Viacom has — the role models, the glitz they can produce — it feels like a good mix of stuff that will capture kids,” Klein said.

Klein and others praised the successes of charter schools, which have drawn the ire of union representatives and school officials. An e-mail to the nation’s largest labor union, the National Education Association, was not returned immediately Tuesday.

Privately operated schools undertook fresh approaches to schooling, had happier teachers and inspired healthy competition in achievement among

New York City schools, said Klein.

In Los Angeles, the Board of Education approved a resolution that invites outsiders to submit proposals to develop new charter schools, while increasing accountability standards.

Private charter school operators, communities and the mayor’s office will submit proposals for the operation of 50 new schools that will open

over the next four years, as well as 200 existing schools that are chronic underperformers.

Tuesday’s event coincided with a speech Obama made in Arlington, Va., on Tuesday that was broadcast to schools across the nation. In the address, Obama urged students to hit the books, saying that success is hard-won and every student has something they are good at.

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EGYPT

Sudan frees woman convicted of wearing trousers

Associated Press

CAIRO — A woman journalist convicted of public indecency for wearing trousers outdoors was freed Tuesday, despite her own desire to serve a month in prison as protest against Sudan's draconian morality laws.

The judge who convicted Lubna Hussein had imposed a \$200 fine as her sentence, avoiding the maximum sentence of 40 lashes in an apparent attempt to put an end to a case that had raised international criticism of Sudan.

But Hussein refused to pay the fine, which would have meant a month's imprisonment. She told The Associated Press that she was freed Tuesday after the fine was paid without her knowledge by the Journalist Union, which is headed by a member of the ruling party.

"I had no choice. All my friends knew I didn't want to pay the fine," Hussein said, speaking by phone from Khartoum. "I had chosen prison, and not to pay the fine in solidarity with hundreds of other women jailed" under this law.

Hussein said she suspects that the authorities don't want her to spend any time in the prison in Omdurman, on the outskirts of Khartoum, where she said at least 800 women are serving time, many of them convicted under the indecency law.

"I wanted to make reports from inside the prison. Maybe

they were unnerved by my presence in prison," she said.

Fayez Selik, the editor in chief of the pro-south newspaper Ajas al-Hurriya, or Freedom Bells, said the government freed Hussein to end their "predicament."

Mohieddin Titawi, the head of the Journalist Union, said he paid the fine out of duty toward a member of the union.

"I didn't get permission from the government or from Lubna," he said from Khartoum. "I know my duty very well and I intervened to get a journalist out of prison."

Ever since her arrest in July, the 43-year-old Hussein has used her case to draw attention to Sudan's indecency law, which allows flogging as a punishment for any acts or clothing that is seen as offending morals. Human rights campaigners say the law is vague, that its enforcement is arbitrary and that southern Sudanese in the capital — who are mostly Christians — are often targeted.

Sudan's government implements a conservative version of Islamic law in the north, and "public order" police enforce the laws, banning alcohol, breaking up parties and scolding men and women who mingle in public. In mostly Muslim northern Sudan, many women wear traditional flowing robes that also cover their hair, but it is also not uncommon for women to wear trousers, even though conserva-

tives consider it immodest.

Under the 2005 peace deal that ended a more than 20-year civil war between the Muslim north and the Christian and animist south, laws — including the indecency law — are supposed to be reviewed to respect human rights and freedom of expression.

Hussein was arrested in July with 12 other women in a public cafe in Khartoum and were charged with violating the indecency law for wearing trousers in public. Ten of them were flogged shortly afterward after they accepted summary trials — as many women do to avoid the social stigma of a public trial on morality charges.

Hussein, however, decided to take the case to court to show the injustice of the law and its effect on women. Her case drew heavy condemnations from international human rights groups.

A spokesman for the U.N. human rights office in Geneva denounced the Sudanese treatment of women for wearing trousers. Rupert Colville said the \$200 fine imposed on Hussein violated the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

"This is not my case alone. This is a case of all the Sudanese women and the society," Hussein said Tuesday when asked if she would appeal the court decision. She said she would consult with supporters before deciding if it is worth filing an appeal.



Lubna Hussein wore the same trousers that had sparked her arrest Monday after she was freed.

University of Notre Dame

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report 2008 Consumer Confidence Report

The amendments to the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act require each public water supply to produce a water quality report titled the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). Following is the University's annual report for the 2008 calendar year.

The University's water system is a privately owned public water supply operated by the Utilities Department. The University's system provides water to the University community and the nearby C.S.C. properties. Questions regarding the system or sampling results can be directed to Paul Kempf, Director of Utilities, 102 Facilities Building, Notre Dame, IN 46556, phone 574 631 8594 or Michael McCauslin, Assistant Director, Risk Management and Safety, 636 Grace Hall, Notre Dame, IN 46556, phone 574 631 5037.

There are currently six wells serving the water system, all located on the campus proper. The water is drawn from deep aquifers surrounded by substantial clay barriers that serve to protect the groundwater supply. We do not believe that our source is vulnerable to contamination. We are also taking steps to ensure that our water source does not become contaminated through our Wellhead Protection Program. This program assists in defining where the water supply comes from and methods to protect the aquifers from potential contamination.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from animal and human activity.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1.800.426.4791) or at the EPA's website at www.epa.gov/safewater.

Contaminants that might be expected to be in source water (untreated water) include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil, pesticides and herbicides.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production or can come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or are the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, persons with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly susceptible. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection from Cryptosporidium and microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1.800.426.4791) or at the EPA's website at www.epa.gov/safewater.

Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. In general, if you flush your cold tap until the water gets as cold as it is going to get, you will have eliminated the potential metal contamination. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1.800.426.4791) or at the EPA's website at www.epa.gov/safewater.

We have tested for over 150 parameters regulated by the EPA and the State of Indiana. Included in these tests were metals, volatile organics, pesticides, herbicides, synthetic organic chemicals and cyanide.

Water Quality Data

The table below lists the EPA's regulated and unregulated contaminants detected in the University's drinking water. All of the contaminants are below allowable levels.

Not included in the table are the more than 150 other contaminants including pesticides, herbicides, metals, synthetic organic chemicals, volatile organic chemicals and others which were tested and not detected.

Regulated at Point of Entry (Well)

Substance	Highest Level Detected	EPA's MCL	EPA's MCLG	Range	Source of Contamination
Boron (ppm)	0.14	2.0	2.0	0.084 - 0.14	Erosion of natural deposits
Iron (ppm)	1.1	10	10	<0.1 - 1.1	Runoff from fertilizers, waste, traffic, natural deposits
Nitrate (ppm)	0.018	0.1	0	0.0046 - 0.018	Fertilizer, natural deposits
Chromium (ppm)	0.0072	0.1	0.1	0.0046 - 0.0072	Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	<0.5	4.0	4.0	<0.5 - 0.5	Runoff from fertilizers
Arsenic (ppm)	0.0281	0.01	0.01	<0.0020 - 0.0281	Erosion of natural deposits
Cadmium (ppm)	1.6	16	0	1.9 - 1.6	Naturally occurring
Copper (ppm)	21.2	1.3	0	5.7 - 21.2	Runoff of natural and man-made deposits

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Eddy Street Commons, not quite enough

I was both surprised and relieved to see Eddy Street back open last Thursday as I biked back to my house on the south side of campus. As a student returning from abroad last semester, I missed almost all of the rumors and conjecture concerning what would be going into the new Eddy Street Commons development, and was shocked to see how much progress had been made since I had left.

While there is still much to go, with the buildings still appearing as if they came straight out of "The Truman Show," I am disappointed at what I saw: a Follett bookstore, a Five Guys, a Chipotle and a large full service hotel in the works. It isn't that I don't like any of these places by themselves, or won't be a patron in the future, it just seems that Kite Reality, and the oversight team from Notre Dame, missed a golden opportunity to make a truly memorable and unique contribution to the students.

We all love Chipotle. I know that. It opens in three weeks, and the line will undoubtedly be out the door and down the street. However, it seems that our college experience would be made richer had Kite Reality really tried to bring in some local, independent flavor: a place to stop in late at night with interesting characters servicing the counter and a place to create some real tradition. Think the type of restaurants Adam Richman, the "Man Vs. Food" host goes for: The friendly, fun kind where they stick your picture on the wall if you can

eat a 14-pound hamburger. None of us will ever consider the Five Guys at Eddy Street Commons a defining eatery in our college career, and it will not be the first place we hit up when we come back for football games.

For those who claim these types of places don't exist in South Bend, look harder. On the east side of campus alone is Between the Buns, the Original Pancake House (which, admittedly, is a chain), Nick's Patio and the hidden off-campus gem, Julio's (open till four on weekends). Moving south on 23 into downtown is Lula's, the only independent coffee shop anywhere near campus; Parisi's, for those upscale dates; and Rocco's, the godfather of Notre Dame restaurants. In fact, last Saturday night as I was standing out on my front porch, a car full of Notre Dame fans coming from the game asked me out of their window where that "world famous pizza joint around here." Yeah, they weren't looking for Chipotle.

Furthermore, the south neighborhood of students has suffered a blow with brand new apartments going up that are expensive, and neither marketed nor created for undergraduate students. The east neighborhood of campus has benefited from serious development of student housing (Irish Row, Wexford Place, Stadium Club, etc.) through a series of prices ranges, in close proximity to each other. Not only has this made conditions safer, but it also has helped local businesses and minimized some town-gown problems by consolidating loud, intoxicated students to common

areas (around Vaness and Willis Streets).

The south neighborhood doesn't have any of these advantages. Most students live in a hodgepodge of houses and apartments stretching for a number of blocks south of campus sprayed among regular neighborhood folks and boarded up houses. There is not a large enough concentration in any given point either to support local business, or to develop a sort of student area where students would be less disturbing to each other than to neighbors not pleased by loud music at late hours of the night, and kids stumbling around the front yard.

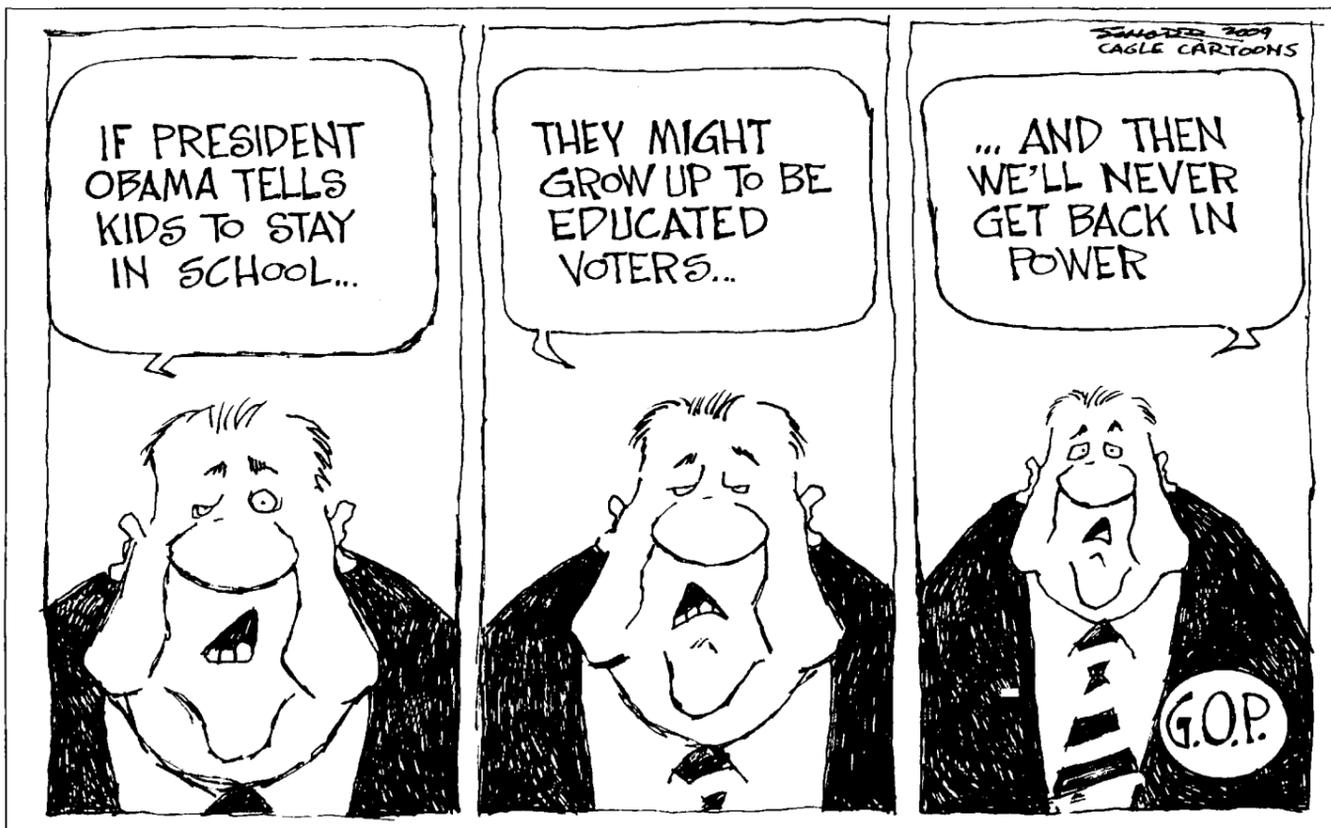
The "Foundry," as it is cryptically called, will not in the least provide a nucleus around which south neighborhood student housing can be centered. The number of apartments eventually available will be nothing compared to Clover Ridge or the apartments formerly known as Turtle Creek, and it all remains prohibitively expensive for an average student.

However, as far as I can tell from Kite Realty's development plans online, there is still some open retail and restaurant space, and if we are lucky, we may still get a great little coffee shop, unique Asian restaurant or at least a place on the south side where you could get a decent sub sandwich.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I mean everyone kills people, murders people, steals from you, steals from me, whatever."

Terrelle Pryor
Ohio State quarterback

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Die with dignity

I was almost amused by Professor Rice's reading of the infamous "death panel" legislation ("Obamacare' raises problems;" Sept. 8). After all, it takes a special combination of vision and creativity to interpret the bill in the manner he suggests. The language of the bill simply adds advanced care planning and end-of-life consultations to the list of "medical services" covered under Medicare, giving it coverage comparable to cancer and diabetes screening, psychologist services and other preventative services.

Bottom line: If a person chooses to talk about end-of-life issues with a doctor, Medicare will cover the cost of that appointment. To read that provision as the first step in a secret congressional plot to encourage "Grandma ... to relieve the burden on her family" (presumably by killing herself) takes a uniquely macabre mentality. Like all other provisions of Medicare, such consultations would be voluntary, and according to the Associated Press the bill "would block funding for counseling that presents suicide or assisted suicide as an option."

But while I was almost amused, I was mostly saddened that Professor Rice would try to dissuade people from engaging in end-of-life planning with scare tactics, and that he would try to prevent the government from paying for those who wish to plan ahead but are reliant on Medicare.

I'm not sure if Professor Rice has ever watched a love one pass away (I pray that he has not), but I have. My father died of cancer in 1992, only three months after he was first diagnosed. I watched him and my mother struggle to plan for the future while he was lying on what would become his deathbed. I saw the number of decisions that had to be made. And while they shielded me from the painful realities of the situation, I'm sure they discussed palliative care, resuscitation orders and what would happen when things got bad. Fortunately, my father was covered under private insurance; if he had been on Medicare under current law, meetings with a doctor to discuss these issues may not have been covered.

I understand that Professor Rice has serious issues with President Obama (he as previously compared the President to the "Fuhrer" who made the Nazis look "unimaginative and primitive by comparison," and further implied that there are "serious questions as to Obama's eligibility for the office" ("No Confrontation Necessary," March 31). But some issues should be above partisanship. Living wills and advance care directives are about empowering sick and dying individuals to effectuate their own will even when they cannot speak; to receive care for as long as they wish, but for no longer; and to die with dignity and peace of mind. For a man so devoted to the value of life, I would have thought Professor Rice would have understood that.

Bryan MacKenzie
 law student
 off campus
 Sept. 8

Two forks and a knife

Dear North Dining Hall staff,
 Please put the spoons back to where they belong. Although it would seem to make sense to put the spoons by the cereal, it would be much better to have them with the forks and knives so people can get all of their utensils in one quick hand motion. That is all.

Regards,

Kevin Eller
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 Sept. 7

Missing the Point

Perhaps we on this campus have a misunderstanding of what exactly constitutes art. If art is what is visually appealing to us and makes us feel warm and fuzzy after viewing it, we have some cleaning up to do around here.

Emaciated women are not beautiful ... sorry Snite; rape is not beautiful ... see ya, "Loyal Daughters and Sons;" impoverished villages are not beautiful ... no photo displays for you, Center for Social Concerns; at the risk of sounding heretical, some might even say the image of the crucified Christ is quite disturbing.

While I thoroughly appreciate the concern for the mental and physical health of the students on campus, to speak of censoring images such as those in Lauren Greenfield's "Thin" is to deny the validity of the suffering the women featured in the exhibit have endured.

Do you think if you avert your eyes from something ugly its atrocity will go away? Eating disorders and negative body image are a huge problem for women and men alike. The beauty in Greenfield's photography is not in the skin and bones of the women whose lives she chronicles; the beauty we find in their continued fight against their illness and, most importantly, in our internal reflections the exhibit promotes.

No one is leaving "Thin" wishing they had the lives of the women featured; rather, the exhibit causes us to think seriously about the way we view ourselves and the potentially dangerous consequences of undue negativity in our personal body image.

I encourage everyone to stop by the Snite and check out the exhibit.

Kathleen Shircliff
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 Sept. 8

The power of image

Tuesday's Viewpoint provided a fascinating juxtaposition. "Exhibit indeed." (Sept. 8) asked the Snite to stop exploiting powerful imagery for entertainment, whereas "Fanaticism over IKEA font change" accused those protesting a change in IKEA's catalog font as frivolous and misguided. I encourage you to judge both on their own merit.

However, I would like to point out that these articles, though seemingly unrelated (and certainly of different gravity), are part of a much larger discussion over the power of the image in our increasingly visual society.

More than any generation before us, we are constant consumers of image. We absorb thousands of advertisements, images, words and by extension thoughts every day when we open our laptops, turn on the TV or even just drive down the street. In this environment of overwhelming imagery density, design and art become very powerful as a means of distilling this massive cloud to its bare essentials. Photography, particularly photojournalism, graphic design, logos (and even, yes, a catalog font choice) are becoming increasingly powerful in shaping how we perceive groups of people, companies and brands, and even political candidates.

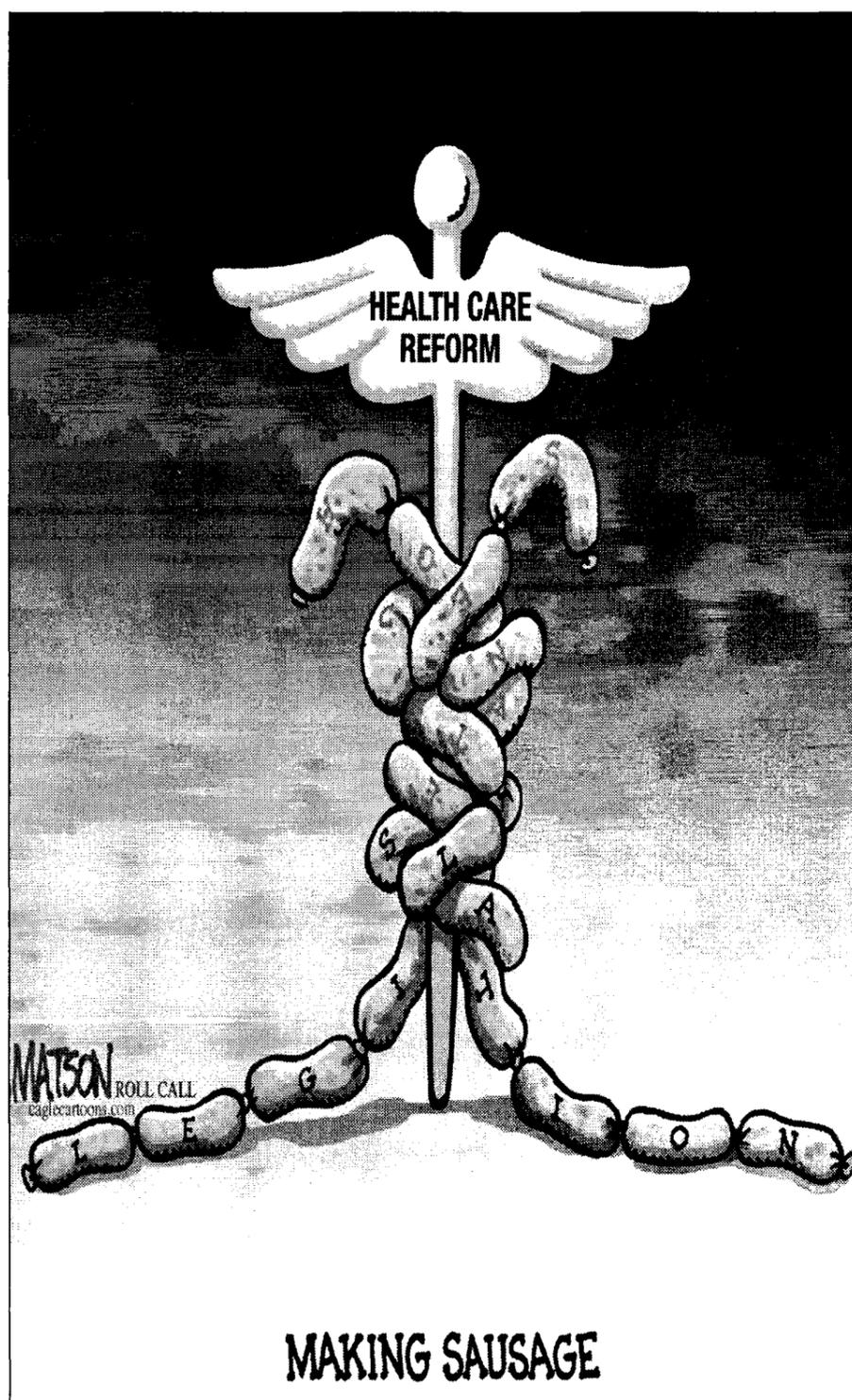
It would be a hard case to claim that Barack Obama won the election thanks to his marvelous use of the Gotham typeface, but his campaign's tight and consistent control over image and brand certainly helped build a sense of what it meant to be an Obama supporter. This is an immense power, and bears the weight of a great responsibility.

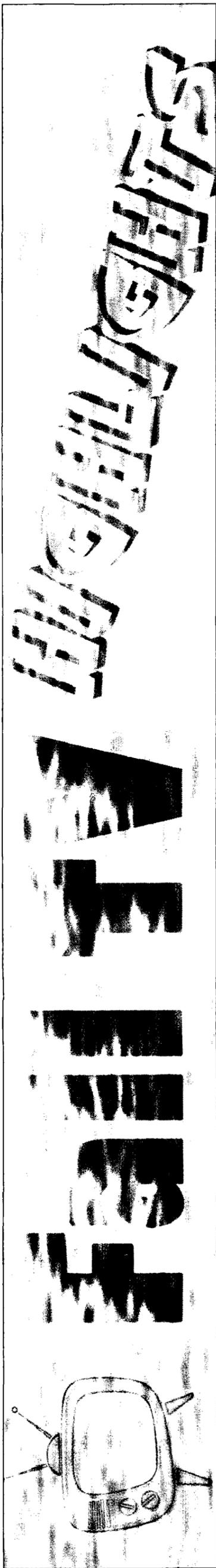
As I said, I encourage you to see "Thin" if you haven't and judge for yourself. If nothing else, I guarantee that the experience will be an education in the power of art and image, as well as a troubling exploration of the moral responsibility which that power bears.

While I would never claim that IKEA faces a decision of similar moral importance when they choose how to use their own image, I would encourage a careful reader not to dismiss such debates as frivolous out of hand.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON





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Scene Writers

The Vampire Diaries

The CW, Thursdays 8 p.m. Premieres Sept. 10

Based on the book series by L.J. Smith, "The Vampire Diaries" follows a small-town beauty and her brooding vampire male lead. Stefan Salvatore (Paul Wesley) becomes obsessed with Elena (Nina Dobrev), a girl who is a dead ringer (no pun intended) for an old love. The two bond over journal writing, angst-filled stares and trendy clothing. Their love, which is fraught with the usual peril, is in immediate jeopardy when Stefan's less than upstanding vampire brother, Damon (Ian Somerhalder) using smoke and crows as an entrance, comes to town. Elena finds herself in a dangerous love triangle just as the people around her are being attacked by a mysterious assailant.

The show plays on many vampire myths. While "Twilight" and "True Blood" choose to keep away from distorted faces when the fangs come out, "Diaries" seems to mix between that and Joss Whedon's animalistic morphing, in a bug-eyed Dorian-Gray-like aging transformation that the CW still makes look attractive.

Gossip Girl

The CW, Mondays at 9 p.m. Premieres Sept. 14

You know you missed it. "Gossip Girl" is back with more excitement than ever. Last season's cliffhanger left fans wondering what will happen when Blair (Leighton Meester) finds out Georgina (Michelle Trachtenburg) is going to be her roommate at NYU, if Lily and Rufus's long-lost child will finally meet his real parents and what will become of the "Gossip Girl" gang when they split up and go to separate colleges? Will Jenny rule her high school as the new queen bee? Will Blair and Chuck (Ed Westwick) finally have a successful relationship? What will happen to Serena (Blake Lively) when she leaves the city to head to Brown? The season premiere will answer these questions and more as all the friends reconvene at summer's end. You know you love it. XOXO. Gossip Girl.

The Office

NBC, Thursdays 9 p.m. Premieres Sept. 17

"The Office" concluded its fifth season with a humorous outbreak of serious events, and the latest season will open with an episode appropriately titled

"Gossip." Between Pam and Jim's pregnancy (as well as their impending marriage), Michael's unrequited love for Holly and Dunder Mifflin's continuing troubles in the failing economy, those in the office will undoubtedly have much to discuss. The upcoming season holds potential to develop these stories as well as new ones, all through the hilarious repartee that is unique to "The Office."

Community

NBC, Thursdays 9:30 p.m. Premieres Sept. 17

NBC is hoping for the next big comedy hit as it prepares to launch the season premiere of "Community," a quirky new show that follows one man's quest for a law degree. Jeff (played by Joel McHale, also host of "The Soup" on E!), a

practicing lawyer, gets his license revoked after the state realizes that he obtained his law degree from Columbia the country, not Columbia University. Desperate to get back to practicing, Jeff attends a community college where he begins a study group with many insightful and hilarious characters, including a five-time divorcee played by the lovable Chevy Chase.

Flash Forward

ABC, Thursdays at 8 p.m. Premieres Sept. 24

"Flash Forward," already being advertised as a successor to "Lost" when

the mysterious island drama ends this spring, is a new ABC show based on an award-winning novel by Robert J. Sawyer. A bizarre event across the globe forwards everyone to six months in the future temporarily. A curious Los Angeles-based FBI agent (Joseph Fiennes, "Shakespeare In Love") assembles a team to discover what happened. They also create a database compiling everyone's "flash forwards" from around the world. Other actors starring in "Flash Forward" include John Cho ("Harold and Kumar Go To White Castle"), Jack Davenport ("Pirates of the Caribbean") and Dominic Monaghan ("Lost").

will pick up with Seattle Grace's latest trials and tribulations: the possible deaths of both George and Izzie, Meredith and Derek's Post-It note marriage, and Bailey's decision to become a single mother. Whether it is medical or relationship-centered, the constant drama in Seattle Grace is sure to keep the attention of "Grey's Anatomy" followers.

V *ABC, Tuesdays at 8 p.m. Premieres Nov. 3*
This fall, ABC is diving into the world of science fiction with "V." The series, based on a mini-series of the same name from 1983, centers on an alien race that comes to Earth in the guise of friendly



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It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia

FX, Thursday 10 p.m. Premieres Sept. 17

Irreverent, crass and utterly hilarious, FX's "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia" returns for its fifth season. Charlie (Charlie Day), Mac (Rob McElhenney), Dennis (Glen Howerton), Sweet Dee (Kaitlin Olson) and Frank (Danny DeVito) are back to their old antics managing Paddy's Pub - possibly the most poorly run bar in Philadelphia.

This season, the show's col-

lecting characters attempt to remedy the effects of the down economy by finding their way out of a Ponzi scheme, accepting payment to act as a surrogate mother and marketing "kitten mittens." The friends seem to have learned nothing from their previous escapades, promising the same politically incorrect humor that has made the show so popular. From staging interventions to "going green," the gang's good intentions land them in predicaments that promise to elicit as many laughs as they do horrid groans.

Grey's Anatomy

ABC, Thursdays 9 p.m. Premieres Sept. 24

ABC is bringing back everyone's favorite guilty pleasure, "Grey's Anatomy," and the new season promises to be as dramatic and emotional as its predecessors. The sixth season

Visitors quickly win favor amongst much of the human population by curing rare diseases and generally contributing to the overall wellness of Earth. However, all is not as it seems. Homeland Security agent Erica Evans (Elizabeth Mitchell, "Lost") learns that the Visitors have been placing sleeper agents in governments and businesses across the planet in a bid to take over the world. The show follows Erica and company as they attempt to fend off the alien invaders. "V" also stars Morris Chestnut ("Not Easily Broken"), Alan Tudyk ("Dodgeball"), and Scott Wolf ("Everwood").

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THE OBSERVER SCENE

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Fox only has three new series premiering for its fall lineup, and the shining star is quirky comedy "Glee." The show is unlike anything on television right now, and although it does have the proven combination of high school and musical, "Glee" adds more realistic obstacles and teenage angst into the mix. Only one episode has aired, but already it has the kind of cult-like following that can either help (think "Lost" or "The Office") or hurt a show ("Veronica Mars" or "Arrested Development").

The producers took a risk by airing it in May after "American Idol," and then not again until its fall lineup premiere on Sept. 9, but it seems absence makes the heart grow fonder. A shopping mall tour, ComicCon screening and a "Biggest GLEEK" contest kept the hype building for the show throughout the summer.

But the multifaceted campaign strategy had a purpose: to display this complex show and reach a broad audience that otherwise might not tune

in. "Glee" centers around an Ohio high school singing troop, and starts out with a typical pecking order division of school groups.

Teasers show that when this rainbow coalition of misfit toys gains confidence and talent, the social order is all shook up — and that's just the beginning of the shaking that this group is doing.

The show's first single from the pilot episode, a reworking of Journey's "Don't Stop Believing," shot to the No. 1 ranking on the iTunes chart. A venture this toe-tapping hasn't come out of Hollywood since the 1990's "Sister Act" movies. Versions of "Gold Digger" and "Push It"

released over the summer showcased how musically diverse this show will be, ranging from 1980s

creating a villain with only a few caustic one liners, including "Get the agony out of your eyes!" and "You think this is hard? I'm living with hepatitis, that's hard."

Lea Michele's over-achieving Rachel Berry is the perfect incarnation of "that girl" — the girl with color-coded notes who always sits in front and asks lengthy questions just as the professor is about to dismiss class early. At first the audience is unsure if she's going to succeed in her lofty goals or pull a Carrie and burn the school down.

Fortunately, it's the former. The surprising part isn't how quickly she makes Rachel a relatable character, it's how long they take to let her sing. Like her

character, Michele has star power to the extreme, and her voice is easily the strongest in the cast, and when she belts out "On My Own" from Broadway's "Les Miserables," you can tell she (and her character) have incredible talent.

The only sour note comes with Jessalyn Gilsig's (seen last season on NBC's "Heroes") Terri, the wife of Glee club leader Will Schuester. She's a bed-and-bath-product-crazed harpy of a wife. It's a bit unbelievable that Mr. Schuester (played by the underrated Matthew Morrison) could be trapped by such a vacant and manipulative nut-job and not even realize how unhappy he is.

This off-beat comedy is sure to add some sass to the fall shows, especially with its diverse characters and lyrical spin on the David vs. Goliath story line that makes you want to root for "Glee" despite its shortcomings.

"Glee" premieres tonight at 9 pm.

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rock to hip-hop and R & B. Jane Lynch is perfection as "Cheerios" squad leader Sue,

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"Glee," a quirky amalgamation of movies like "High School Musical" and "Election" and TV series like "Freaks and Geeks," has a lot riding on its success this fall: an already cult-like following, one-third of Fox's new show lineup, and about \$3 million per episode.

That's a pretty hefty price tag for a show that has all the indicators of a quick fizzle at first glance. It sure looks like a niche show, what with its Broadway renditions and obscure pop-culture references.

But according to an April article in the Los Angeles Times, series creator Ryan Murphy (also known for other quirky, and edgy shows like "Nip/Tuck" and the short-lived but delicious "Popular") is hoping that with the right marketing and commitment to high standards, the show can push the boundaries of network television.

"I think they are all wanting to break out of the box: What is network television? What can it be? Every once in a while,

something comes along that's just different. Sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't. I think we're all on the same page that it's great to attempt it," he said.

The show's songs have consistently racked up downloads on iTunes, especially as teaser selections from upcoming episodes have been released to keep interest from slacking off. Murphy has suggested that Fox will produce several "Glee" albums a season, but it might be more likely that viewers will race online to purchase the featured music after each episode. REO Speedwagon's "Can't Fight This Feeling," Salt-N-Pepa's "Push It," and Amy Winehouse's "Rehab" are just a few of the songs "Glee" has retooled with

a cappella vocals from the cast. The licensing fees and royalty payouts involved in each

the cost. So far, every song has been a cover, and there are few indications that the show will start creating original music.

The characterizations presented in the pilot (the sensitive jock, the bitchy cheerleader, the overachieving weirdo, and the tyrannical coach) fit neatly into archetypes, which may prove difficult to enrich as the episodes progress. For right now, however, Fox promoters are banking on the characters.

Several of the characters have Twitter, a MySpace, and a Facebook accounts. "RachelBerryGLEE," the Twitter account for the overachiever character, is most likely updated by an intern in Fox's marketing department, but the



episode's music selection takes up a chunk of that \$3 million, but hopefully the popularity of the "Gleeked" versions will defray

account's 4,435 followers can read updates like "Wait, 'Cop Rock' was cancelled???" and "Spent an hour trying to think of a style of performance I don't excel in and couldn't come up with one."

During last week's repeat airing of the pilot, cast members even updated their personal Twitter accounts for a live-stream commentary on the episode — blurring the line somewhat between reality and fiction. For example, the "sensitive jock" Finn, doesn't have a Twitter, but the actor Cory Monteith does (he's searchable as "frankenteen.") More than 10,000 followers read about this summer's "Glee" mall tour through his regular updates.

The long break after the pilot episode and the gimmicky musical format could work against "Glee," but the show's creator and promoters have used their resources to keep the quirky comedy in the public's mind like that summer song that you can't get out of your head.

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MLB

Swisher's ninth-inning solo blast beats Rays

Rangers top Indians in shootout behind Borbon's two homers; Pedro holds Nats to three runs in nearly seven innings

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Nick Swisher hit his second home run of the game, connecting with one out in the ninth inning to lead the New York Yankees over Tampa Bay 3-2 Tuesday night and send the Rays to their season-high seventh straight loss.

The switch-hitting Swisher connected from both sides of the plate. He won it with a left-handed shot off Dan Wheeler (4-4).

Derek Jeter struck out three times and remained stuck in his longest slump of the year, moving no closer to the Yankees hit record held by Lou Gehrig.

Rays rookie David Price fanned Jeter his first three times up, twice catching him looking. The Yankees star had nothing to show for four at-bats, leaving him in an 0-for-12 rut and still four hits behind Gehrig's total of 2,721.

Mariano Rivera (2-2) pitched a perfect ninth as the Yankees won for the 12th time in 15 games.

Swisher homered in the second and Alex Rodriguez had an RBI single in the sixth. Swisher has three multihomer games this season — he connected lefty and righty each time. Of Swisher's 26 homers this season, only five have come at hitter-friendly Yankee Stadium.

Jason Bartlett greeted Yankees reliever Phil Hughes with a leadoff home run in the eighth, tying it at 2. Evan Longoria hit his 30th homer the previous inning off starter Chad Gaudin.

Plagued by deep pitch counts earlier in the year, Price came out throwing strikes. He gave up only three hits in six innings, walked two and struck out six.

Randy Choate retired Jeter on a lineout leading off the eighth, then made the defensive play of the game. The sidearming lefty tracked down Johnny Damon's drag bunt, lunged for the ball and flipped it with his glove while falling forward for the out.

Gaudin took a 2-0 lead into the seventh. His winless streak reached 10 starts, before he was traded from San Diego to the Yankees in early August.

Gaudin helped himself by picking off speedster Carl Crawford at first base with a quick move in the sixth. Crawford also got trapped after a triple in the opening

inning, taking off on Longoria's grounder and getting tagged out in a rundown.

Jeter's parents watched from an upstairs box, and they saw their son go hitless in three straight games for the first time this season.

A day after moving past Yogi Berra into third place for most games played as a Yankee, Jeter joked with the Hall of Famer catcher in the clubhouse.

"I got more rings than him, that's what counts," Berra kidded. "He's still a baby."

Jeter batted leadoff as the designated hitter, having started both games at shortstop in Monday's day-night doubleheader sweep of the Rays.

Rangers 11, Indians 9

Rookie Julio Borbon was known as a contact hitter with speed before joining Texas.

Now he's starting to add power to his game.

Borbon hit two of Texas' four homers, Marlon Byrd went 4 for 4, including a three-run homer in the seventh, and the Rangers beat the Cleveland Indians on Tuesday in front of a sparse crowd in the first game of a doubleheader.

Borbon now has three homers in 70 major league at-bats this season after hitting just nine in 1,091 career minor league at-bats.

"He's capable of doing that," Rangers manager Ron Washington said. "I don't know if you'll see him hit 15 or 20 this year, but he certainly has a line drive stroke and sometimes he can catch it and hit it out. I don't think that's something you can look for all the time, but every now and then he'll put a good stroke on the ball. He did twice today."

The two teams combined for six homers and 29 hits and scored half of the 20 runs after the sixth inning. David Murphy also homered for Texas, while Matt LaPorta and Travis Hafner homered for Cleveland.

The two homers for Borbon ended a 5 for 33 skid (.152) that spanned 11 games. He is still batting .329 this year.

"I'm kind of surprised, I'm not going to lie," he said of the recent power surge. "It's just putting up good swings. They weren't bombs, they were driven balls. That's what happens when you make solid contact."

Indians reliever Chris Perez

entered in the seventh with a runner at first and the longest consecutive scoreless innings streak among major league relievers at 20 2-3 innings. He walked the first batter he faced before Byrd pounded a 2-1 pitch into the bleachers in left, breaking a 5-all tie. Texas led the rest of the way.

It was the first run Perez allowed since Chicago's Paul Konerko hit a grand slam off him on July 7, a span of 20 appearances.

"He's done a tremendous job for us, but not today," Indians manager Eric Wedge said. "You're not going to be perfect, that's for sure."

Jensen Lewis (2-4) pitched 1 1-3 innings to take the loss.

The Indians had tied the game at 5 on rookie Michael Brantley's two-run bloop double off Rangers reliever Neftali Feliz (1-0) in the sixth. Those runs were charged to starter Tommy Hunter, just the second and third inherited runners to score off Feliz.

He entered the day second to Perez with a consecutive scoreless innings streak of 19 2-3 innings. He extended that streak to 20 1-3 innings before Hafner ended that with a solo homer in the seventh.

"He's only human," Washington said of Feliz, who had retired 18 consecutive batters before Tuesday. "I don't think I can remember any pitcher that came to the big leagues and had a 0.00 ERA. He's going to give up something."

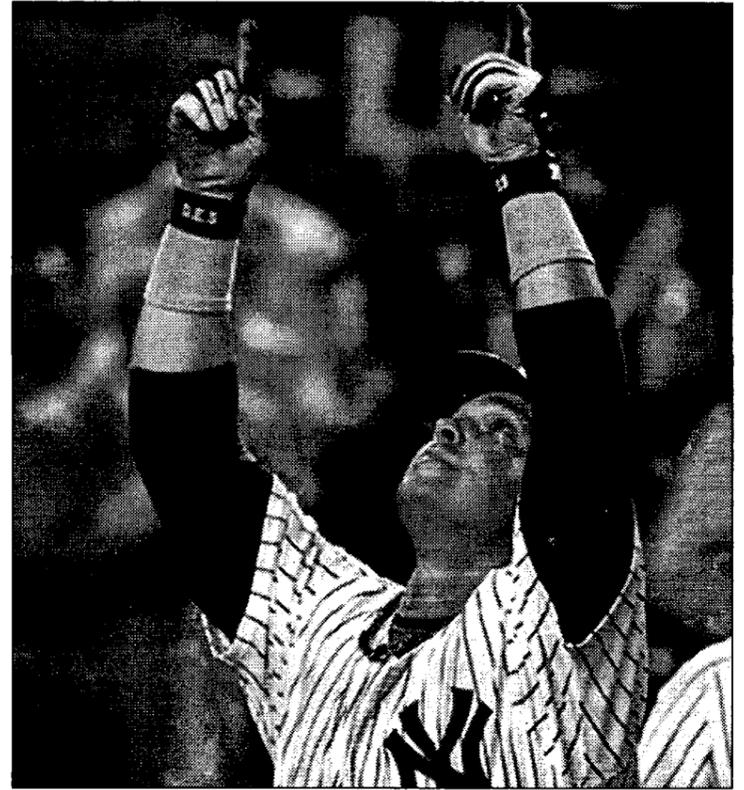
Texas began the day 2 1/2 games behind Boston in the AL wild-card race. That's the closest the Rangers have been to a playoff spot this late since Sept. 26, 2004, when they were 2 games out in the AL West.

An estimated crowd of less than 1,000 witnessed the start of the first game. Monday's rainout pushed the start time up two hours, impacting the late-arriving crowd.

Phillies 5, Nationals 3

The Philadelphia Phillies hit five solo home runs — including three in the seventh inning — and became the 12th team in major league history with a 30-homer four-some in Tuesday night's win over the Washington Nationals.

Raul Ibanez went long for the 29th and 30th times this season and Chase Utley hit No. 30, joining Ryan Howard (38) and Jayson Werth in



Yankees outfielder Nick Swisher celebrates his first home run Tuesday against the Rays. Swisher hit two homers in the game.

Philadelphia's 30-homer club for 2009. Werth hit his 32nd, and Carlos Ruiz got his ninth for the Phillies, who snapped a four-game losing streak.

The power barrage overshadowed another good start from Pedro Martinez (4-0) and a rare hook in the ninth inning after another shaky outing from Brad Lidge. Ryan Madson struck out Ryan Zimmerman with the bases loaded and the winning run on first and retired cleanup hitter Adam Dunn.

The Phillies, who have the major leagues' highest percentage of runs from homers, became the first team since the 2006 Chicago White Sox to have four 30-homer hitters and accomplished the feat for the first time in franchise history.

Martinez, craftily mixing plenty of offspeed pitches with an occasional low-90s fastball, allowed three runs and seven hits with four strikeouts and one walk over 6 2-3 innings. The Phillies improved to 6-0 when the three-time Cy Young Award winner starts.

Brett Myers followed with 1 1-3 scoreless innings, but Lidge failed to capitalize on the vote of confidence he received before the game from manager Charlie Manuel. Lidge, who had his 10th blown save of the season in his last appearance on

Saturday, retired one batter before a single, a hit batter, a wild pitch and a walk.

Manuel then removed Lidge and replaced him with Madson, who struck out ninth-inning homer specialist Zimmerman and got cleanup hitter Dunn on a groundout to record his fifth save.

Werth and Ibanez homered in back-to-back at-bats in the seventh, followed two batters later by Ruiz, lifting the Phillies from what had been looking like another moribund offensive performance.

The NL East leaders had scored only 23 runs in their previous 11 games and had gone 70 2-3 innings without having a lead of more than one run, causing them to lose ground in the race for home-field advantage in the playoffs.

Four of the homers came off John Lannan (8-11), spoiling an otherwise fine outing from the closest thing the last-place Nationals have for an ace.

Lannan allowed only four other baserunners in his 6 2-3 innings.

Ibanez's multihomer game was his fourth of the season and second at Nationals Park. He also singled to finish 3 for 4 and is batting .463 with eight homers and 20 RBIs this season against the Nationals. He is 7 for 10 in his career against Lannan.

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rank	team	record	previous
1	Florida	1-0	1
2	Texas	1-0	2
3	Southern California	1-0	4
4	Alabama	1-0	5
5	Oklahoma State	1-0	T9
6	Mississippi	1-0	8
7	Penn State	1-0	T9
8	Ohio State	1-0	6
9	BYU	1-0	20
10	California	1-0	12
11	LSU	1-0	11
12	Boise State	1-0	14
13	Oklahoma	0-1	3
14	Virginia Tech	0-1	7
15	Georgia Tech	1-0	15
16	TCU	0-0	17
17	Utah	1-0	19
18	NOTRE DAME	1-0	23
19	North Carolina	1-0	21
20	Miami (Fla.)	1-0	NR
21	Georgia	0-1	13
22	Nebraska	1-0	24
23	Cincinnati	1-0	NR
24	Kansas	1-0	25
25	Missouri	1-0	NR

NCAA Football

USA Today Coaches' Poll

rank	team	record	previous
1	Florida	1-0	1
2	Texas	1-0	2
3	Southern California	1-0	4
4	Alabama	1-0	5
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18	Nebraska	1-0	22
19	North Carolina	1-0	20
20	NOTRE DAME	1-0	23
21	Georgia	0-1	13
22	Miami (Fla.)	1-0	NR
23	Cincinnati	1-0	NR
24	Oregon State	1-0	25
25	Kansas	1-0	NR

NCAA Women's Golf

NGCA Coaches' Poll

rank	team	previous
1	Arizona State	1
2	UCLA	2
3	Southern California	3
4	Oklahoma State	4
5	Auburn	6
6	Virginia	5
7	Wake Forest	10
8	Alabama	7
9	Purdue	8
10	LSU	8
11	North Carolina	12

NFL



Starting quarterback, Kyle Orton made it back to practice after injuring his right index finger in the Denver Broncos' third preseason game. Second string Chris Simms will start in Orton's place if he is unable to recover.

Kyle Orton recovers from dislocated knuckle

Associated Press

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — The Denver Broncos might have solved one of their many mysteries Tuesday after watching Kyle Orton take snaps, hand off cleanly and complete passes at practice for the first time since slicing open his right index finger nine days earlier.

"It was obvious today that he could do it all," offensive coordinator Mike McCoy said.

Orton wore a glove on his throwing hand and thin gauze and tape on his injured finger to protect the dislocated knuckle that poked through the skin in the Broncos' third presea-

son game.

"Obviously, there's a little bit of restriction for a quarterback when you've got something on your hand. But for the most part everything was clean," coach Josh McDaniels said. "Hopefully everybody that was out there today will be ready to go on Sunday."

McDaniels said the determining factor on Orton's status will be "a combination of the healing process and then how effective he can be. If he's able to be the most effective guy we've got then certainly he'll play."

If Orton has a setback, Chris Simms, who returned Sunday from a high ankle sprain, would get the nod.

During the 20 minutes the

media were allowed to watch the workout, Orton threw accurate short passes in warm-up drills and also handed off with his right hand without any apparent problems.

The media was escorted out of the practice facility before the Broncos began the team portion of their workout and weren't allowed access to players once practice was over.

Orton declined to comment before practice. He's scheduled to speak with the media on Wednesday, another sign the Broncos expect him to start.

Simms said the smart money certainly was on Orton.

"Yeah, I expect Kyle to be

ready," he said. "He's a competitor, he's a tough guy."

Still, Orton's injury could force some changes in the play-calling in McDaniels' head coaching debut.

"Yeah, a finger's tough," Simms said. "I know I've dislocated my finger a few times and it's your money-maker, you need your hands to throw that ball. So if you're not feeling right there, it takes a little getting used to but I think he'll be OK."

The other big question surrounding the Broncos is whether Brandon Marshall will continue to be a headache or resume his role as the team's top receiver.

IN BRIEF

Seymour has yet to move to Oakland after trade finalization

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Richard Seymour failed to report to Oakland for a second straight day Tuesday after being traded from the New England Patriots.

"I really have nothing to report on that," Raiders coach Tom Cable said. "Nothing has changed at this point."

Seymour, a five-time Pro Bowl defensive end, was acquired from the Patriots on Sunday in exchange for Oakland's first-round draft pick in 2011. The move was on the NFL's official transactions list and Seymour is on the Raiders' roster on their Web site.

Cable said he spoke with Seymour earlier this week and that the defensive lineman told him he wants to play in Oakland.

Cable reiterated that he is hopeful Seymour will play for the Raiders but declined to discuss reports the two sides were in talks on a new contract.

Beltran returns to Mets after recovery from knee injury

NEW YORK — Carlos Beltran is back in the lineup for the New York Mets.

Sidelined since June 22 with a bone bruise on his right knee, the All-Star center fielder was activated from the disabled list Tuesday before the opener of a three-game series against the Florida Marlins.

Beltran, set to start in center and bat cleanup, says he's glad to be back with the Mets after a long rehabilitation. He says his most recent MRI showed the bruise on his knee has decreased in size.

Beltran went 3 for 18 with two RBIs and two walks in five rehab games with Class-A Brooklyn.

The Mets also purchased the contract of right-hander Tobi Stoner from Triple-A Buffalo.

Serena Williams moves to semi-finals in the U.S. Open

NEW YORK — Defending champion Serena Williams has advanced to the U.S. Open semi-finals, setting up a showdown against Kim Clijsters.

The No. 2-seeded Williams beat No. 10 Flavia Pennetta of Italy 6-4, 6-3 Tuesday night to improve to 23-1 in Grand Slam singles matches this season.

Williams has won three of the past four major championships. She is seeking her fourth U.S. Open title and 12th Grand Slam overall.

With her older sister Venus sitting in the stands, Williams piled up a 21-9 edge in winners against Pennetta, who was trying to be the first Italian woman to reach a Grand Slam semifinal.

Clijsters, the 2005 U.S. Open champion, beat No. 18 Li Na in straight sets earlier Tuesday.

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NBA

Heat will stand by troubled star

Associated Press

MIAMI — Michael Beasley is in daily contact with the Miami Heat and is working out under the direction of team personnel, with plans of being with the team when training camp begins later this month.

Speaking about Beasley for the first time since the 20-year-old entered a Houston rehabilitation facility last month, Heat president Pat Riley said Tuesday that he's "confident ... very confident" Beasley will have a strong season for Miami and insisted he still strongly believes in the No. 2 overall pick from the 2008 draft.

"I was told this by somebody: Every saint has a past and every sinner has a future," Riley said. "You can't put yourself above and beyond anybody. We all have periods where things haven't gone our way for whatever reason, and we've all had an

opportunity to grow. Because of what's happened in the past, we hope there's growth spurts for him."

Riley could not reveal specifics about the manner of treatment Beasley is receiving, citing privacy concerns. Those close to Beasley, including his personal manager Bruce Shingler, have said repeatedly in recent weeks that they are not willing to discuss the exact details of the treatment.

Beasley checked into the Houston facility sometime around Aug. 20. A series of posts on his Twitter account raised many concerns about his well-being, including one entry that said "I feel like the whole world is against me I can't win for losin."

Several Heat teammates offered their support quickly through Twitter posts and reaching out to those in Beasley's circle. Riley said Dwyane Wade, the team's

best player and the NBA's reigning scoring champion, was among the first Miami players to send Beasley a message.

"I'm not going to forgive anybody's transgressions just merely because they're 20 years old," Riley said. "I think when you become a professional basketball player, a lot of things come at you a lot quicker than normal. There's a lot of things you may be able to handle or not handle."

Beasley finished his rookie season as Miami's second-leading scorer behind Wade, averaging 13.9 points and 5.4 rebounds. The Heat plan for this season include using Beasley at both small forward and power forward, and Riley said that hasn't changed even though Beasley hasn't been around teammates for several weeks.

Riley said Beasley had between 21 and 28 workouts earlier this summer at the team facility with other members of the Heat's young core, including Daequan Cook and Mario Chalmers.

Getting into 4-on-4 or 5-on-5 games in Houston, however, has been impossible, Riley said.

"Every saint has a past and every sinner has a future. You can't put yourself above and beyond anybody."

Pat Riley
Heat president

NCAA FOOTBALL

BYU leaps 11 spots in polls

Associated Press

NEW YORK — BYU barged into the top 10 of The Associated Press college football poll, making the biggest jump of any team from the preseason rankings after scoring the biggest upset of the opening weekend of the regular season.

The Cougars jumped 11 spots to No. 9 in the Top 25 released Tuesday, three days after they stunned Oklahoma 14-13 as three-touchdown underdogs.

Cougars quarterback Max Hall said the victory has energized Provo, Utah, and the BYU campus.

"For the first time there were people at the airport to greet the team. About 2,000 people were out there when we got back," he said. "The overall atmosphere has been really cool and we're enjoying it."

Florida was still an overwhelming No. 1, receiving 56 of 60 first-place votes, two less than last week. Texas held steady at No. 2, with two first-place votes.

USC will be No. 3 when it visits No. 8 Ohio State on Saturday in one of the biggest nonconference games of the season. The Trojans moved up a spot this week and the Buckeyes fell after narrowly escaping with a 31-27 victory against Navy.

No. 4 Alabama moved up one spot after its 34-24 victory against Virginia Tech and persuaded two voters to pick them as the top-ranked team in the country.

No. 5 Oklahoma State moved up four spots after an impressive 24-10 victory against Georgia. The Cowboys

have their best ranking since October 1985. The loss dropped the Bulldogs eight spots to No. 21.

No. 6 Mississippi, No. 7 Penn State and No. 10 California round out the top 10.

Oklahoma dropped 10 spots to No. 13 after losing, but all things considered the Sooners are probably feeling much better about their long-term outlook now than they were Saturday night at Dallas Cowboys Stadium.

Oklahoma lost Heisman Trophy winner Sam Bradford to a shoulder injury late in the first half against BYU. He is expected to miss two to four weeks, but will not need surgery and could be back by the time the Sooner play their next big game—against Miami on Oct. 3.

BYU is no stranger to the top 10. The Cougars were ranked as high as eighth last season. But BYU stumbled in its biggest games, suffering lopsided losses to Mountain West Conference rivals TCU and Utah, then losing to Arizona in the Las Vegas Bowl.

"Our football team, we have three goals ... winning a conference championship, winning the state championship and going to a bowl game and winning it. We didn't do any of them," Hall said during a conference call with reporters. "Even though we won 10 games, we were upset with the way it ended."

BYU coach Bronco Mendenhall said the Oklahoma victory should give a boost to the whole Mountain West Conference, which has been fighting for more access to the Bowl

Championship Series.

"I do think that the game and how we played helped our conference, helped our team and helped the exposure of the fight that we're all kind of engaged in as our league is trying to gain credibility," Mendenhall said.

BYU travels to New Orleans to face Tulane on Saturday before playing their first home game on Sept. 19 against Florida State, one of three teams to fall out of the rankings this week.

Oregon and Iowa also fell out. Moving into the Top 25 were Miami, Cincinnati and Missouri.

LSU was No. 11 and No. 12 Boise State moved up two spots after beating Oregon 19-8 on Thursday.

Virginia Tech's opening loss dropped the Hokies seven spots to No. 14.

No. 15 Georgia Tech, was followed by TCU and Utah.

Notre Dame's 35-0 victory against Nevada helped the Fighting Irish climb five spots to No. 18.

North Carolina was No. 19 and Miami moved into the poll at No. 20 after a thrilling 38-34 victory Monday night against Florida State in Tallahassee.

The final five were Georgia, Nebraska, Cincinnati, Kansas and Missouri.

The Big 12 has six ranked teams, most of any conference.

Cincinnati, the defending Big East champions, is the first team from the conference to be ranked this season.

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NFL

Schaub returns to Texans practice

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Houston quarterback Matt Schaub returned to practice Tuesday, though it's not clear whether he will start against the Jets in this Sunday's season-opener.

Schaub took half the snaps in practice, his first significant work since the injury Aug. 31 against the Vikings. He is listed as day-to-day.

"He took a big step forward (Tuesday)," Texans coach Gary Kubiak said. "He's progressing toward getting ready to go, so it's a positive move forward for him."

Kubiak stopped short of saying Schaub, who has missed five games in each of the last two seasons with injuries, would start against the Jets. He did announce that Rex Grossman would be Houston's No. 2 quarterback this week.

Grossman, who led Chicago to the Super Bowl in 2007, overtook Dan Orlovsky in the competition to back up Schaub after throwing two touchdowns in Houston's preseason finale. Orlovsky, a seven-game starter for Detroit last season, was scheduled to be the backup before Grossman's recent performance that came after he missed two weeks with an injury.

"Matt is hobbled, so they've got to be ready to go," Kubiak said. "But as I told Dan and Rex, I'm leaning toward Rex's experience and the way he handled himself, handled the team the other night. I'm kind of drawing from what I've seen him do in the past and (am) just very comfortable with him right now."

Grossman was excited about the decision, but said it won't change anything he does.

"I've got to prove myself every practice and every time I go out there," he said. "You get graded and you get judged basically every time you throw the football. So I'm still going to have that same sense of urgency."

The status of receiver Kevin Walter and safety Eugene Wilson are also uncertain because of injuries.

Walter, who was second on the team with 899 yards receiving and eight touchdowns last season, has a hamstring injury. Wilson was injured by an illegal crackback block delivered by Brett Favre for which the quarterback was fined \$10,000.

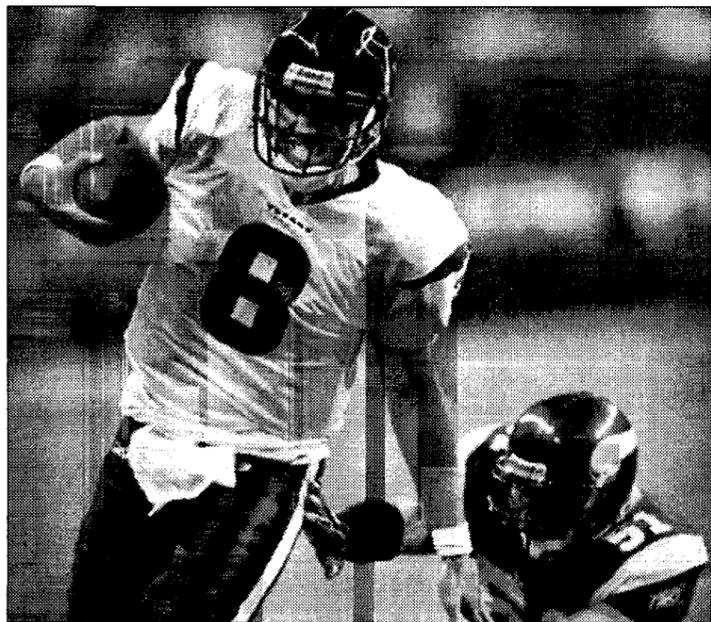
Another question mark for the Texans is how rookie linebacker Brian Cushing and veteran cornerback Dunta Robinson will per-

form on Sunday. Cushing missed all four preseason games because of a sprained knee, but is healthy and expected to start at strong-side linebacker.

Middle linebacker DeMeco Ryans is confident that Cushing is up to the task, but has been trying to help the first-round pick in the days leading up to his NFL debut.

"I stay on him, always asking him questions to make sure he's into what we're doing, into our game plan and making sure we're both on the same page," Ryans said. "The more me, him and Zac (Diles) communicate the easier it's going to be for all three of us."

Robinson missed all of camp in a contract holdout before reporting on Sunday.



Texans quarterback Matt Schaub evades Vikings linebacker Ben Leber in a preseason game Aug. 31.

U.S. OPEN

Murray stunned in Open's 4th round

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Disappointed.

That was the word Andy Murray used over and over to describe how he felt about his exit from the U.S. Open.

After all, Murray arrived at Flushing Meadows ranked No. 2, owner of a tour-leading 37 wins on hard courts this season—and quite sure he was prepared to win his first Grand Slam title a year after reaching the U.S. Open final. Instead, he heads home after the fourth round, a 7-5, 6-2, 6-2 loser to No. 16 Marin Cilic of Croatia on Tuesday.

"I just struggled today. I played poorly," Murray said. "I could have been better in pretty much every part of the game, whether it was

mental or serve, forehand, backhand, returns."

Ahead 5-4, he wasted two set points. By the second set, Murray was grimacing while flexing his left wrist, which he acknowledged afterward had been bothering him for about a week. By the third, Murray was moping about the court.

"Regardless of my wrist, I lost the match," Murray said. "I returned poorly. He served well — and that was really the difference."

Murray's loss, at least for one evening, turned into the talk of a tournament that had been generating very little buzz about the men's field. Instead, the focus has been on the women's event, thanks to the surprising emergence of 17-year-old American Melanie Oudin and the quick comeback of former No. 1 Kim Clijsters.

Oudin plays in the first major quarterfinal of her nascent career Wednesday — she obliged autograph-seekers after practicing Tuesday — and Clijsters already is into the semifinals, where she will face a Williams for the second time this tournament.

Clijsters beat Venus Williams in the fourth round; now she will take on defending champion Serena Williams, who improved to 23-1 in Grand Slam singles matches this season by beating No. 10 Flavia Pennetta of Italy 6-4, 6-3 Tuesday night.

Looking ahead to facing Clijsters, the younger Williams said: "She's such a great person and I, like, only wish the best for her. But not in the next match."

The 27-year-old American and 26-year-old Belgian both have 12-match winning streaks at the U.S. Open. Clijsters won the first seven en route to the 2005 title, the last time she played in New York, and now has five this year, the last a 6-2, 6-4 win against 18th-seeded Li Na of China.

Still unranked because she only had played in two tour-

naments before the U.S. Open, Clijsters is the first unseeded player to reach the semifinals at Flushing Meadows since Elena Dementieva in 2000.

"I'm surprised to be sitting here talking to you right now," Clijsters said.

She left the game in 2007, married American basketball player Brian Lynch later that year, then gave birth to daughter Jada in February 2008. Since returning to competition in August, Clijsters is 10-2.

Two more wins, and she'll be the first mother to win a Grand Slam tournament since Evonne Goolagong Cawley at Wimbledon in 1980.

"I still have an immense respect for all the Grand Slams and the history that's

happened in each and every one of them," Clijsters said. "but it's easier now to push that aside when you're out there and just focus on your game and not be too worried or too impressed by everything that's happening around you."

Murray's hopes of becoming the first British man since the 1930s to win a Grand Slam championship will have to be set aside until 2010.

The pressure back home for success will only increase, matched by Murray's self-imposed expectations.

When he wasn't saying, "I'm obviously very disappointed," or "I'm going to be disappointed, but I'll have to go and work on some things," Murray was talking about being "ready to win a Slam in Australia."

"Next year I've got a very, very good chance of doing it," Murray said. "I think I'll be a better player next year than this year, and, you know, hopefully I'll do that."

Cilic, meanwhile, advanced to the first major quarterfinal of his career.

"I'm feeling tremendously happy," Cilic said. "Of course, it's the biggest result for me, so far."

Next for him is a match against No. 6 Juan Martin del Potro, who beat 2003 French Open champion and U.S. Open finalist Juan Carlos Ferrero 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.

Cilic vs. del Potro will pit two players who are 20, with lanky frames and big serves.

"For sure, if he beat Murray, he's confident," said del Potro, who pushed Roger Federer to five sets in the French Open semifinals this year. "It will be very tough for me."

In another fourth-round men's match, No. 11 Fernando Gonzalez of Chile eliminated No. 7 Jo-Wilfried Tsonga of France 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (3), 6-4. Gonzalez will face No. 3 Rafael Nadal or No. 13 Gael Monfils in the quarter-

"I could have been better in pretty much every part of the game."

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MLB

Royals' bullpen keeps Tigers quiet in victory

Holliday takes Hoffman deep in ninth to topple Brewers; Beltran returns to Mets in defeat to Ramirez, Marlins

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Billy Butler drove in two runs, Kansas City's bullpen pitched 4 1-3 scoreless innings and the Royals ended the Detroit Tigers' six-game winning streak with a 7-5 victory Tuesday night.

The Royals had 11 hits and a rare strong performance from their bullpen to win consecutive games for the first time since July 27-28 against Baltimore.

Yasuhiko Yabuta (1-1) allowed two hits in 2 1-3 innings for his second career victory, Roman Colon pitched a perfect eighth and Joakim Soria survived two hits in the ninth for his 23rd save.

The AL Central-leading Tigers scored five runs off Royals starter Bruce Chen, but went through six pitchers and had two costly outfield miscues.

Marcus Thames and Aubrey Huff drove in two runs each and Ryan Raburn homered for Detroit.

Butler had two homers and four RBIs Monday night against the Los Angeles Angels and kept his hot streak going with a double, sacrifice fly and run-scoring single off Bobby Seay (5-3) in the seventh.

Detroit starter Rick Porcello wasn't sharp, but gave the Tigers a chance.

The rookie right-hander gave up two runs in the second inning on Brayan Pena's double and a groundout by Yuniesky Betancourt. In the fifth, a misjudged fly by Raburn in left turned into a double for Josh Anderson, then Mitch Maier knocked him in with a soft double to center. Butler's warning-track sacrifice fly cut Detroit's lead to 5-4.

Porcello was lifted after Betancourt's leadoff single in the seventh. He allowed four and seven hits, leaving with a 5-4 lead.

Detroit's bullpen — thanks

to a miscue by right fielder Clete Thomas — couldn't hold it.

Raburn did his job on David DeJesus' single, double-clutching and still getting Betancourt by two steps at the plate. Thomas, worried about the wall, didn't get a glove on Butler's foul ball in the corner. Two pitches later, Butler lined a run-scoring single through the right side and Mike Jacobs followed with an RBI single that made it 6-5.

DeJesus' sacrifice fly — and another close play at the plate involving Betancourt and Raburn — gave the Royals a two-run lead in the eighth.

Chen, who allowed five runs and seven hits, replaced Brian Bannister (shoulder fatigue) for his first start since he ended a four-year winless streak on Aug. 6. The left-hander didn't really stand a chance to make it two straight.

Thames hit a run-scoring single off him in the first and Tigers got two more in the third when Raburn led off with his 11th homer and Thames hit a sacrifice fly. Huff chased Chen with two outs in the fifth, looping a two-run, broken-bat single to center to put Detroit up 5-2.

Cardinals 4, Brewers 3

Matt Holliday hit a two-run homer off Trevor Hoffman in the top of the ninth and the St. Louis Cardinals rallied for a victory over the Milwaukee Brewers on Tuesday night.

Hoffman, trying to protect a 3-2 lead, walked Albert Pujols with one out before serving up a 2-1 pitch that Holliday drove over the wall in center.

It was only the third blown save for Hoffman (1-2) this season, but it spoiled what would have been a remarkable victory for Carlos Villanueva. He was forced to fill in when starter Manny Parra had neck spasms after throwing 21 pitches retiring

the Cardinals in the first inning.

The injury put an abrupt end to the rematch between John Smoltz and the Brewers left-hander. Last Thursday, Parra won his 10th game with a 4-3 victory over the Cardinals.

Blake Hawksworth (3-0) picked up the win with a scoreless eighth. Kyle McClellan pitched the ninth for his third save.

Prince Fielder's 38th home run, a two-run shot in the bottom of the first pushed his major league RBI total to 125 and gave Villanueva a 2-0 lead to start the second.

The right-hander held the Cardinals scoreless over three innings, retired the side in the fourth on swinging strikeouts and matched his career-high with six overall.

He had a big advantage because St. Louis had stacked their lineup with right handers in anticipation of facing Parra.

Pujols hit a solo shot off David Weathers in the seventh for his major-league leading 45th home run and cut the Cardinals' deficit to one.

The Cardinals pushed across their first run in the sixth.

Holliday singled and advanced to third when Ryan Ludwick singled off reliever Todd Coffey's foot. Mark DeRosa() walked to load the bases.

After a visit from Brewers pitching coach Chris Bosio, Coffey got Yadier Molina to hit into a run-scoring double play. Mitch Stetter relieved Coffey and walked pinch hitter Troy Glaus before Khalil Greene pinch hit for Smoltz and flied out to end the threat.

Milwaukee's sixth reliever, Claudio Vargas, worked out of a jam in the eighth.

Ryan Ludwick hit a sinking liner that eluded sliding left fielder Ryan Braun and rolled for a double. Mark De Rosa walked and Yadier Molina advanced both with a groundout before Skip Schumaker was intentionally walked to load the bases.

Vargas struck out pinch hitter Colby Rasmus, and then got Julio Lugo to ground out to third, preserving the 3-2 lead.

Marlins 4, Mets 2

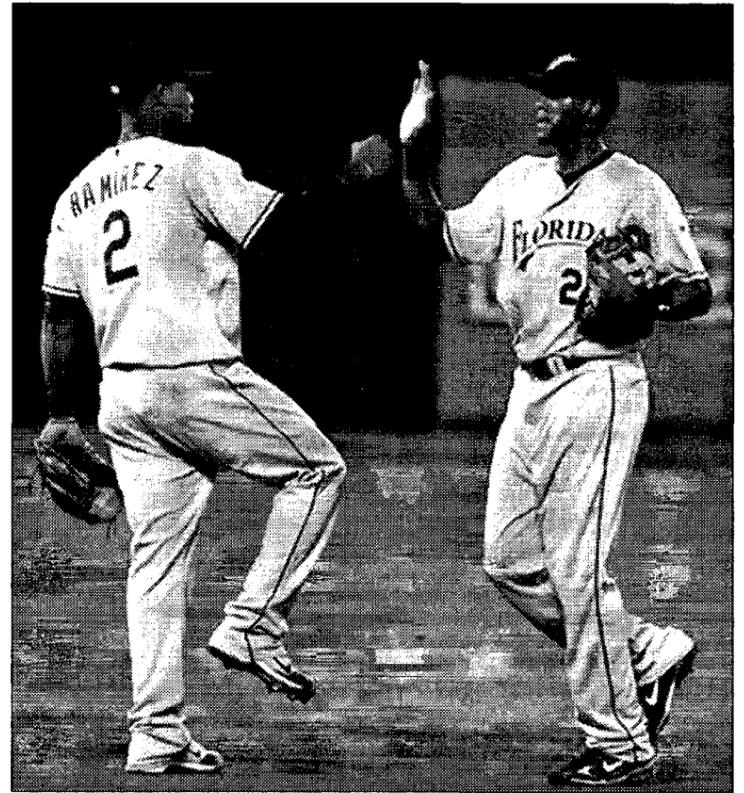
Carlos Beltran came oh-so close to hitting a go-ahead grand slam in his long-awaited return to the New York Mets' lineup.

Hanley Ramirez and Cameron Maybin left no doubt when they connected for the Florida Marlins.

Thanks to mammoth two-run homers from Ramirez and Maybin, the Marlins kept up their surprising playoff push Tuesday night with a victory over the Mets.

"We know we have to win every day, but we don't try to put a lot of pressure on us," Ramirez said. "We stay in the race. That's all it's about."

Florida overcame an early exit by injured starter Rick VandenHurk and remained six games behind first-place



Marlins infielders Hanley Ramirez and Cameron Maybin celebrate their victory over the Mets Tuesday.

Philadelphia in the NL East. The Marlins, who opened the season with a major league-low \$37 million payroll, are 5 1/2 behind Colorado for the NL wild card.

Beltran was back in the Mets' lineup after missing 70 games, and he brought a sparse crowd to its feet in the seventh inning. His bases-loaded drive to right field was caught a step or two in front of the fence by Cody Ross, preserving Florida's 4-2 lead.

"I just got under that one," Beltran said. "Today I felt like a kid in the playground, like when I take my daughter to the playground. She's having fun and that's how I felt today. I felt good."

Matt Lindstrom worked a perfect eighth and Leo Nunez got three quick outs for his 19th save, bouncing back from a miserable outing in Washington. The right-hander threw five pitches Sunday and gave up two homers, allowing the lowly Nationals to rally from three runs down for a 5-4 victory.

"He did a nice job. Closers, they've got to have short-term memories. He seems to do that," Marlins manager Fredi Gonzalez said. "I thought he pitched today. I thought he did a nice job pitching instead of just throwing. Hopefully he can get better and better."

Brian Sanches (4-1) tossed two scoreless innings for the win.

VandenHurk left with a 4-1 lead after the fourth because of a stiff back. He is day to day.

"Just some tightness. I'll be fine," VandenHurk said. "I'm pretty sure it's not going to be anything serious."

Sidelined since June 22 with a bone bruise on his right knee, Beltran was activated from the disabled list before the game and finished 1 for 4 with a fly-ball double to left. He also made a smooth, sliding catch in center.

"It will probably take him a few games to really find his rhythm at the plate," manag-

er Jerry Manuel said. "I think once that starts he will get on track, so to speak. He looked pretty good."

Trailing by two, New York tried to rally against Sanches in the seventh. Three singles loaded the bases for David Wright, who struck out. Beltran's long fly left the Mets 4 for 55 (.073) with the bases loaded and two outs this season.

"When he hit it, I thought he got it," Sanches said. "My first thought was that it was going to hit our hotel."

New York was 34-33 when Beltran went down, only two games out of first place in the NL East. Also missing Jose Reyes and Carlos Delgado for the entire stretch, the Mets went 28-42 without Beltran and fell to fourth place.

Even with Beltran batting behind him for the first time in 2 1/2 months, Wright had a terrible night. He struck out twice, grounded into an inning-ending double play and stranded five runners. He made an error at third base and botched another grounder that was ruled a hit.

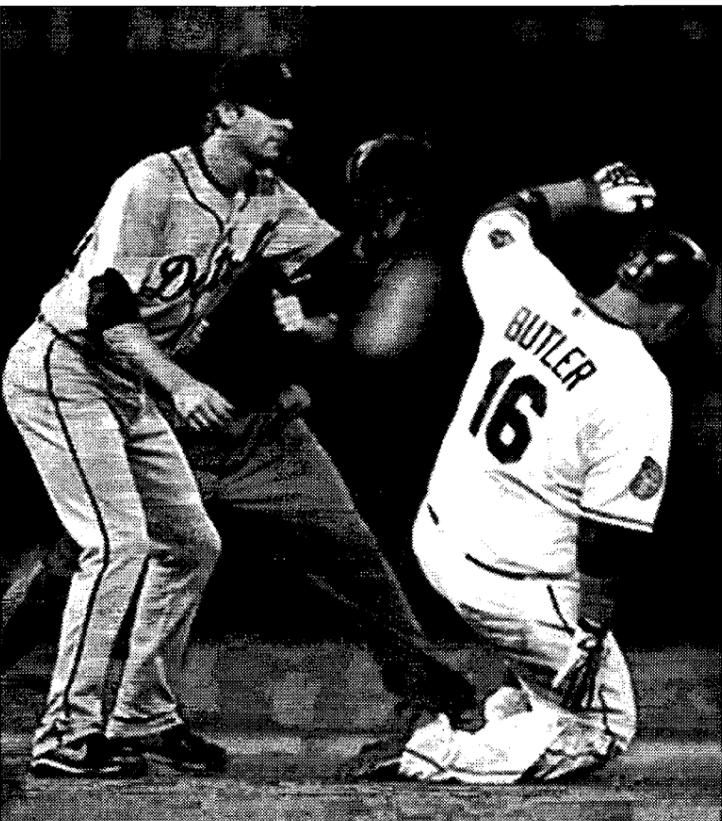
Ramirez, the NL's leading hitter, drove a pitch from Tim Lincecum (2-5) to left in the third. The shot appeared to clip the bottom of a sign that hangs from the facade of the second deck.

Maybin connected off Redding in the fourth after Ross' double, a drive that sailed over the home run apple nestled behind the 408 sign on the center-field fence.

It was the third career homer for Florida's prized outfield prospect—and first since he was recalled from Triple-A New Orleans on Aug. 31.

"I don't think we've even seen half the stuff he can do," Gonzalez said.

Rookie catcher Josh Thole hit a sacrifice fly for the Mets in the fourth, his first major league RBI. Angel Pagan tripled in the fifth and scored on Luis Castillo's infield single.



Royals first baseman Billy Butler slides into second with a double in the third inning of the Royals victory Tuesday.

NBA

T'Wolves sign another guard

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The Minnesota Timberwolves wasted little time moving on after being rebuffed by Ricky Rubio.

Two days after the 18-year-old point guard backed out of a deal to join the Timberwolves this season, Minnesota signed restricted free agent Ramon Sessions to an offer sheet Friday.

The Milwaukee Bucks will have seven days to match the four-year, \$16 million offer.

Rubio's decision to stay in Spain for at least the next two seasons created a hole at point guard for Minnesota behind rookie Jonny Flynn from Syracuse.

Sessions averaged 12.4 points per game and 5.7 assists for the Bucks last season.

"We are excited about the opportunity to have Ramon Sessions on our team," Timberwolves president of basketball operations David Kahn said in a statement. "Ramon has the ability to play both guard positions, and thus will be able to complement the members of our current backcourt."

Kahn selected Rubio with the fifth pick in the draft in June. He spent all summer working with Rubio's agents to try and secure a buyout of his contract with DKV

Joventut that would allow Rubio to play in the NBA this fall. The biggest sticking point was an \$8 million buyout clause, and the Wolves were limited by NBA rules from paying more than \$500,000 toward that number.

Last Saturday, Kahn, Joventut officials and Rubio's agents agreed upon a deal that would bring the popular passer to Minnesota. But less than 48 hours later, Rubio told Kahn that he wanted to stay in Spain to prepare himself for the NBA and avoid having to pay more than \$5 million out of his own pocket to buyout his contract.

So Joventut instead traded him to rival FC Barcelona, which signed him to a contract that will keep him in Europe for at least the next two seasons.

The Timberwolves hold Rubio's NBA rights for as long as he is playing professionally. Kahn has said that they are willing to wait for him, but a player of his talents also could fetch a nice package on the trade market if Rubio decides he does not want to play in Minnesota.

After Rubio backed out, Kahn said the team had to move on and the Sessions offer is it.

The 6-foot-3 Sessions was ninth in the NBA last season with a 2.97:1 assist-to-

turnover ratio and would give the Wolves some depth in the backcourt that it sorely lacks. Kahn has reshaped the roster this summer, trading guards Mike Miller, Randy Foye, Sebastian Telfair and Quentin Richardson.

"At only 23, Ramon also has the potential to improve and fits our plan of building a young, up-tempo team with championship contending potential," Kahn said.

Flynn was the sixth overall pick in the draft and figures to be the starter when training camp opens. Kahn has indicated that veterans Chucky Atkins and Bobby Brown may not be with the team much longer.

That leaves rookie Wayne Ellington and veteran Damien Wilkins as the only other guards on the roster.

Sessions' versatility would help things, but there is still a lack of size on the perimeter for this young and rebuilding team.

Kahn has preached patience ever since he was hired in May, saying it may take two or three years to get the mess in Minnesota cleaned up.

But he has been aggressive in making moves, both to help out the accountants and the coaches, as he tries to position the Wolves to be a player in the talent-rich 2010 free agent class.

"I also hope in some way that in the last three months, people can see that we've charted a new direction and that there's hope again," Kahn said Thursday.

"We are excited about the opportunity to have Ramon Sessions on our team."

**David Kahn
Timberwolves GM**

NCAA FOOTBALL

Ducks begin moving beyond punch, fallout

Associated Press

The Oregon Ducks are looking to put LeGarrette Blount's punch and suspension in the past by focusing on Purdue this weekend, although there's little doubt the drama will have lingering effects.

"LeGarrette's not going to be here so we have to move on," was how linebacker Spencer Paysinger summed up the team's mindset.

Blount appeared briefly at practice on Tuesday, but did not suit up. He did not speak to reporters.

The running back was suspended last Friday after he punched Boise State defensive end Byron Hout following the Broncos' 19-8 victory over the Ducks the night before.

Hout was seen taunting Blount, who threw a right that hit Hout's jaw and knocked him to his knees.

Blount was allowed to keep his scholarship. He can practice with the Ducks, but cannot play in games or in the postseason, effectively ending his career in Eugene.

Oregon coach Chip Kelly was brusque in describing Blount's appearance at practice during a conference call with Pac-10 coaches.

"Yep," he said. "We have a plan in place for LeGarrette to move forward and he has followed that plan."

Blount and Kelly this weekend called Hout and Boise State coach Chris Petersen to apologize. They also reached out to Kermit Washington, the former NBA player who horrifically leveled Rudy Tomjanovich with a punch during an on-court brawl in 1977.

Kelly said he heard from Miami coach Randy Shannon, who was the defensive coordinator when the Hurricanes were involved in a melee against Florida International in 2006.

The rest of the Ducks had the weekend off to mull over what happened before returning to practice on Monday. While the media gathered to see if and when Blount would show, the players tried to shift the attention to Purdue.

"I wouldn't say it's been difficult to put it behind us. We had a meeting earlier and we talked about how the best way to bounce back is to

respond against Purdue," Paysinger said.

The Ducks don't only have to overcome the punch, which undeniably tarnished Oregon's reputation, they also have to figure out how they fared so poorly against the Broncos on national television.

Oregon had just 152 yards offense during the game, the program's worst showing in nearly 15 years. The Ducks had just six first downs — compared to 22 for Boise State. And in all, the offense had the ball for just 17 minutes and 28 seconds.

"We didn't really get into a rhythm until the third quarter," quarterback Jeremiah Masoli said. "Us not getting any first downs in the first half is pretty much why we didn't win the game. We were just out of sync. There's really not much more you can say."

The loss dropped the Ducks out of the AP Top 25. They were ranked No. 16 going into the opener.

Oregon must also try to replace Blount, who rushed for 1,002 yards and a school-record 17 touchdowns last season.

Redshirt freshman LeMichael James was listed atop Oregon's depth chart in Blount's place, although Kelly said he will rotate James with fellow redshirt freshman Kenjon Barner and senior Andre Crenshaw.

Kelly, in his first year as head coach after two seasons as Oregon's offensive coordinator, made no bones about wanting to distance the Ducks from the punch, although national attention persisted.

"The conversation about LeGarrette is done," Kelly said. "It's how do we move forward and what are the actions that take place for him to move forward as a person."

The players, caught in the tough spot between standing by a teammate while condemning his actions, are also hoping the storm blows over soon.

"It's not a black cloud. It'll show our character, how we bounce back from this," said tailback Ed Dickson, one of Blount's best friends on the team. "Now a couple of other guys have an opportunity to step in and make some plays."

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Flu bug hits Snead, Ole Miss team

Associated Press

JACKSON, Miss. — Flu-like symptoms continue to ravage the Mississippi football team, even sacking quarterback Jevan Snead.

Shannon Singletary, Ole Miss' senior associate athletic director for sports medicine, says more than a dozen Rebels football players are sick with flu symptoms, including fevers as high as 103 degrees. Tests to confirm the presence of swine flu take two weeks to complete, but officials aren't taking any chances.

"From what we understand the standard protocol across the country is to treat all the symptoms as if they are swine flu," Singletary said.

Other sports and the student body in general have been hit hard over the last three weeks. Ole Miss spokeswoman Barbara Lago says 368 students have reported flu-like symptoms to campus health services staff and a system that reports absences to

faculty has reported twice as many students missing class over the last two weeks than is usual for a full month during the regular fall flu season.

Washington State University has also been dealing with a flu outbreak that is suspected to be swine flu. Before its opening game last week against Stanford, Washington State reported 13 players with flu-like symptoms.

Officials at Mississippi are following Centers for Disease Control guidelines and ill players are being isolated for 24 to 48 hours even after their symptoms clear up. A vaccine for the swine flu, also called H1N1, will not be available until next month.

"As best as possible we're putting them by themselves," Singletary said. "If they're in a dorm room we're trying to make arrangements where their teammates are living with other people. We're doing everything we can to get them by themselves for 24 to 48 hours at least."

That didn't stop Snead from

catching the illness. His roommate, Clayton Moore, also had the flu.

Ole Miss players in all sports started falling ill around the start of classes with the baseball team seeming to take the brunt of it. It started to hit the football team hard last week. Some players, like Moore, were left home from Sunday's trip to Memphis. Others played sick with some vomiting on the sidelines and others taking intravenous fluids at halftime.

As many as a dozen players were expected to miss Monday's practice. That number grew to as many as 16 sick by Tuesday, Singletary said.

Players reporting symptoms are seen by a doctor and are put on a regimen of rest with plenty of fluids and pain relievers.

The flu's impact could have been much harder on the football team. The No. 6 Rebels have the week off before playing Football Championship Subdivision opponent Southeastern Louisiana on Sept. 19.

Comeback

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Abernethy was not cleared for participation eligibility until late in the season which led him to decide that he should sit out that season.

"From that point, it took a while for the site to officially clear me to race," Abernethy said. "It was already mid-season at this point, so it was just easier to redshirt rather than to run in potentially just one race."

Abernethy's ability to participate last season in his sophomore year was again inhibited, not by the NCAA but by a long string of injuries that completely halted his ability to run. In the summer leading up to the 2008 season, Abernethy was plagued with shin and hip problems that required a break from proper training.

"Racing a good cross country season is impossible if you haven't put in enough work over the summer," Abernethy said.

Abernethy spent the duration of the season doing cross-training activities and preparing for

the upcoming track and field season.

"In the end, though, it just wasn't the same as running," Abernethy said. "It took all cross-country season last year to get completely healthy again."

With a full summer of training behind him and his health back completely, Abernethy is well prepared to make a name for himself in his junior season.

"Last summer, one thing after another killed my training," Abernethy said. "This year, I made sure to take care of any nagging pains to prevent something worse from developing."

In Friday's Crusader Open at Valparaiso's Sunset Hills Park, the Irish men's team came in first place, and 10 of the first 11 runners to cross the finish line were from Notre Dame.

"A lot of the guys on our team ran well, and it was nice to practice running as a team in a race setting," Abernethy said.

The next event for Abernethy and the men of the Notre Dame cross country team is the National Catholic Invitational on Sept. 18 at Notre Dame's Burke Golf Course where they will see tougher competition and a longer race than last

weekend.

"As for the rest of the season, I'm just trying to look at things one race at a time and to stay healthy," Abernethy said. "National Catholic is up next, so I look forward to running my first collegiate 8K there."

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Belles

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on defense with 18 and 14 digs, respectively. The Belles' next chance to earn their first conference win of the season will come Friday as they travel to Adrian College.

The Bulldogs, who have lost their last four matches and

are now 1-4, are also looking for their first MIAA victory.

The Belles will have a little extra to play for, as last season they were beaten two out of three times by Adrian, including a four-set loss that knocked them out of the MIAA playoffs.

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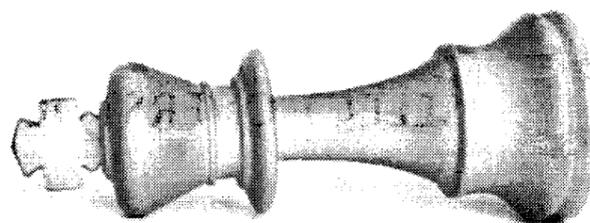
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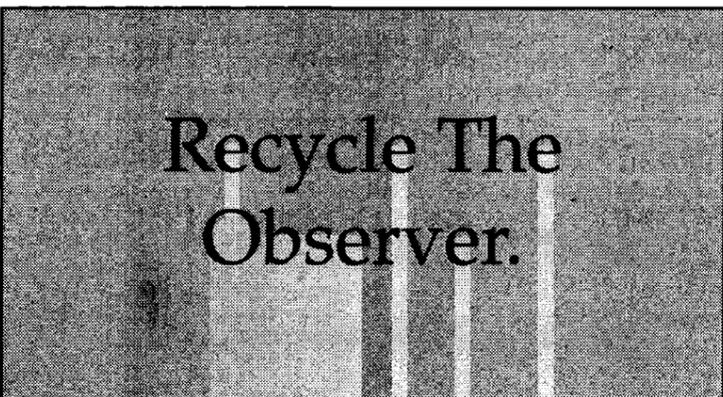
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NHL

Billionaire offers \$50M to move Coyotes north

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Canadian billionaire James Balsillie has offered the city of Glendale \$50 million to quiet its objections to his bid to buy the Phoenix Coyotes and move the franchise to Hamilton, Ontario.

Lawyers for Balsillie, co-CEO of the company that makes the Blackberry, filed an amended bid in U.S. Bankruptcy Court on Monday adding the offer to Glendale. Balsillie offered to buy the franchise for \$212.5 million, contingent on moving it to Ontario.

The new bid would subtract \$20 million from the original and combine it with another \$30 million to pay the city. If Glendale accepts the offer, Balsillie's bid would stand at \$242.5 million.

The NHL bid \$140 million to buy the team and keep it in Arizona after its board of governors voted 26-0 with three abstentions against Balsillie as an owner.

The team is to be sold at auction on Thursday, but many legal issues have yet to be resolved.

Glendale has estimated losing the Coyotes would cost the city more than \$500 million in losses, saying it planned on the team playing at Jobing.com arena for 30 years.

Balsillie's lawyers argue the city's estimate is too high, citing the 30-year projection and saying that revenue from the Coyotes has been about half of the projected estimates. They argue that \$50 million is much more than what the city would get under the NHL's bid, saying that Coyotes owner Jerry Moyes sought to cap the city's claim at between \$5 million and \$7 million.

Balsillie's \$50 million offer to the city is contingent upon Glendale accepting it by Sept. 30 and the Coyotes moving to Ontario.

Glendale's City Council met behind closed doors about the Coyotes on Tuesday, but city spokeswoman Jennifer Liewer said she could not say whether they discussed Balsillie's offer.

She said the council took no action and would have to decide on the offer in a public meeting.

She declined to say how Balsillie's offer has affected the council's objection to his bid.

"We're not going to negotiate this in the media," she said. "We're working through the process in bankruptcy court and trying to honor the wishes of the judge and go through the negotiations as the bankruptcy court dictates."

Balsillie wants Judge Redfield T. Baum to overrule the NHL's rejection of his bid and allow the Coyotes to move to Hamilton. He also is asking Baum to set a reasonable relocation fee if the NHL refuses to do so.

Two studies conducted for the NHL set a potential relocation fee of \$101 million to \$195 million to move the Coyotes to Hamilton. The NHL said even \$195 million would not begin to address the true damage done to the league by moving the team.

The potential fees are in stark contrast to the \$11.2 million to \$12.9 million cited by economics professor Andrew Zimbalist in a study conducted for Balsillie.

Moyes took the team into Chapter 11 bankruptcy on May 5 with the plan to sell it to Balsillie. Under the Balsillie bid, Moyes would get \$104 million of the \$300 million he says he loaned to the team.

The league and city contend the money Moyes lost is not a debt but equity. They also want Moyes' claim subordinated to that of other creditors. The NHL's offer would give Moyes next to nothing.

The city also is arguing against a \$22.5 million claim by Wayne Gretzky, the Coyotes coach who owns a small share of the franchise.

Baum has yet to rule on the ownership and relocation issues. He also has to decide whether Balsillie can get out of the Coyotes' lease to play at Jobing.com Arena, which was built by Glendale for \$183 million specifically for the hockey team.

A third potential buyer, Ice Edge, had said it would spend up to \$150 million to buy the team, but NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman said in a court filing Tuesday that he was advised Ice Edge no longer intends to participate in Thursday's auction.

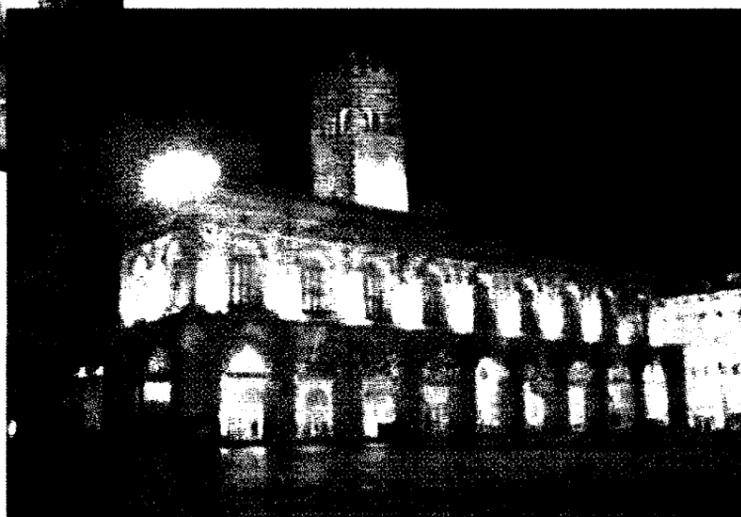
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coach Randy Waldrum said. "What a lot of people don't realize is that we only were able to play her around 60 minutes per game last season, far from the full 90 minutes, and yet she still was able to score a lot of goals for us under those circumstances."

Henderson netted 17 goals and had two assists in her spectacular freshman campaign, good for 36 points in a season in which she helped the Irish reach the NCAA Championship. For her efforts, Henderson was named Big East Rookie of the Year, took home first-team Freshman All-America honors and was also a Hermann Trophy nominee.

"She has a couple of things going for her," Waldrum said. "For one, she has great speed. In any sport that really kills people. But with that speed she also has a lot of strength and she can hold people off the ball. That combination makes her very tough to defend. And at the

end of the day, there is something to be said for players who just find a way to score goals. That's what she and Kerri Hanks do so well."

The Garland, Texas, native is no stranger to top competition. As a member of the Dallas Texans, one of the premier club teams in the country, Henderson led her squad twice to the national finals and once again as a member of the Dallas Sting.

Henderson also boasts an outstanding resume on the international level. She has traveled across the globe playing in tournaments as part of the U.S.' youth national teams. She currently is a member of the Under-23 National Team player pool.

This past summer, Henderson underwent a number of surgeries to repair damage to her calf which prevented her from playing more minutes last season.

But while Waldrum said that she's not quite feeling back to 100 percent, you would be hard-pressed to convince anyone else of that fact. With the exception of

the UNC game, the sophomore has been on quite a tear thus far.

In the three games this season, Henderson has four goals, three of which were game-winners, and one assist to lead the team with nine points. Waldrum was quick to credit her tremendous growth as a player from last season to this point for her continued success.

"Last year, she didn't feel much pressure as she flew under the radar in the shadow of Kerri Hanks and Brittany Bock," Waldrum said. "But with Hanks and Bock now gone and more of the pressure resting on her shoulders, she is learning how to handle it herself. She's trying to get the rest of the players on the field more involved by not being too selfish."

Henderson and the Irish (3-1) will travel out to Santa Clara, Calif., for the Santa Clara Adidas Classic Friday. No. 5 Notre Dame will take on Santa Clara Friday followed by a matchup with No. 3 Stanford Sunday.

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get better," Kubinski said.

Zhang agreed with his coach, but said the aspect of the championships that will help him most was not the competition, but rather the venues.

"After playing those really difficult courses, almost every other course I play now is easy compared to that," Zhang said. "Those two courses were so hard, it just makes every course I play now a lot more simple."

The team hopes the gained experience will help Santos-Ocampo and Zhang play con-

sistently this season, as the whole team needs to play.

"We have played some very good golf at spots, and have played some not so good golf at spots," Kubinski said of his team's struggles last year. The Irish finished fourth in Big East competition last season.

"We need to develop some consistency and get rid of the big numbers we had at some tournaments," Kubinski said.

The Irish begin the pursuit of consistency when six members of the team, including Santos-Ocampo, head to Minnesota for the Gopher Invitational Monday.

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every match, and for our team to work well together and perform as best as we can."

The tandem of Frilling and senior Kali Krisik are ranked No. 15 as a doubles pairing.

Last season Frilling and teammate Kelcy Tefft had a 37-5 record as Notre Dame's top doubles team. With Tefft now graduated, Frilling hopes to continue winning far more than losing.

"It will be a transition [from Tefft] but [Kali and I] have played a few times together," Frilling said. "We are trying to get into the swing of things. I had to do the same thing with [Tefft] last year. I had never played

with her before, so I am hoping this will lead to good things with Kali."

Krisik and Frilling first played together last season against Marquette in an 8-0 victory. Irish coach Jay Louderback saw a natural fit if he paired the two permanently.

"They both played with Tefft at different times,"

Louderback said. "When we put them together, Kali plays the ad side and Kristy on the deuce."

The new doubles pairing stayed on campus for part of the summer, as did sophomore

Shannon Mathews and junior Kristen Rafael.

"They did conditioning and some strength work in the weight room," Louderback said of the four. "We were

able to work on the court some too."

That limited summer work has Frilling confident she can help lead the team to the same heights Tefft led the team to last season.

"I want our team to do as well as we did last year, if not better," Frilling said. "I would like the team to make the NCAA semifinals again, if not further."

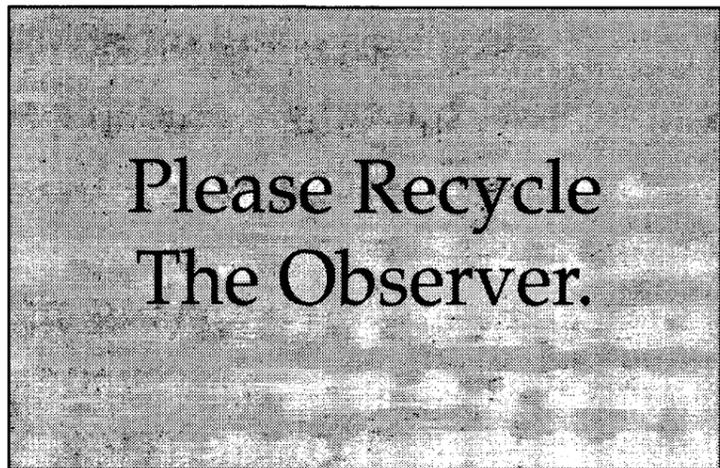
Joining Frilling in individual rankings, Shannon Mathews is ranked No. 94 in preseason and Cosmina Ciobanu skirted into the rankings at No. 125. The doubles duo of junior Kristen Rafael and incoming freshman Christine McGaffigan are ranked No. 38.

"The team is very experienced and has all the tools that they need to win a national championship this year," Tefft said of her former team.

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MEN'S GOLF

U.S. Amateur experience benefits Zhang, Santos-Ocampo

By DOUG FARMER
Sports Writer

Out of the 300 qualifiers for the U.S. Amateur Championships this summer, two are on the Notre Dame golf team this fall. Senior Carl Santos-Ocampo qualified for the August tournament for the second consecutive year and junior Dustin Zhang advanced past the thousands of competitors in his first try.

Santos-Ocampo nearly

advanced to the final round of match-play, as he did last year, but he missed the cut-off mark by two strokes. In order to qualify for the round of 300 this year he took second in his regional on a course he knows well.

"I definitely had a huge advantage [playing on my home course in Florida]," Santos-Ocampo said. "I was comfortable with all the shots I was hitting, and I could make confident swings."

A two-day score of 141

earned the Florida native one of three spots to the Championships, even though Santos-Ocampo was not convinced he had qualified after his rounds.

"I didn't feel like I played well," he said. "I knew I had played solid, and apparently that was good enough to qualify."

Zhang took a different route to qualifying than his teammate did, playing on a course outside of Chicago he had never laid eyes on before.

Zhang tallied a two-day score of 136, which placed him one stroke ahead of a tie for third place. Zhang would have found himself in a sudden death playoff if his score had been one stroke higher.

The two teammates competed against each other and the rest of the field at the U.S. Amateur Championships in Oklahoma the last week of August. Irish coach Jim Kubinski went down to watch their rounds.

"It was a great thrill to

spend so much time on the practice grounds with those guys and then see them on the national stage against the best players," Kubinski said.

By playing on the national stage against players from across the country, Santos-Ocampo and Zhang gained experience not many have.

"When you play 300 of the best players in the world, you cannot help but learn some things, adjust your game and

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Sophomore scorer

Henderson leads ND offense in second year

By ALEX BARKER
Sports Writer

When an underclassman finishes second on the team in goals scored and total points, most would consider that a great season. But when you consider the fact that just three goals made up the difference between Melissa Henderson, a freshman at the time, and four-time All-American and two-time Hermann Trophy winner Kerri Hanks, the achievement becomes downright incredible.

"I think [Henderson's freshman season] ranked right up there with the likes of Kerri Hanks and some of our other all-time great scorers," Irish

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Irish sophomore Melissa Henderson watches a Loyola-Chicago kick in Notre Dame's 2-0 win over the Ramblers on Aug. 28. Henderson had a goal and an assist in the game.

ND CROSS COUNTRY

Abernethy shines in late debut

By MOLLY SAMMON
Sports Writer

After two seasons of waiting to run his first NCAA cross-country meet, junior Mat Abernethy had an impressive break-out race Friday by finishing third in Valparaiso's Crusader Open.

"It was my first ever collegiate cross country race, so I was pretty nervous, but also very excited," Abernethy said. "At the finish, I was 19:22, seven seconds off my roommate's winning time."

For Abernethy's freshman year, he was unable to run based on problems with the NCAA. As a walk-on runner,

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles drop conference opener against Trine

By CHRIS MICHALSKI
Sports Writer

The Belles opened their conference schedule with an exciting match against Trine, but were unable to come out with a win, falling 3-2.

The Belles dropped the first set 19-25, but that was the largest point differential for the rest of the match as no set was won by more than three points.

After the Belles evened things up in the second set and gained a 2-1 advantage by the third, the fourth and fifth sets proved to be a dead heat.

With a total of 30 ties between the two sets, Trine eventually took both, 25-23 and 20-18, giving them the win and improving their

record to 4-1 overall.

Betsy Irwin led Trine with a match-high 30 kills, and Abby Rothballer added 13 for the Thunder.

With the loss, Saint Mary's fell to 3-3 on the season.

Senior Lorna Slupczynski, coming off a successful weekend in which she was awarded All-Tournament team honors at the Capital University tournament, led the way with 27 kills.

This mark ties her career high set in October 2007 against Adrian College. Sophomore setter Danie Brink, who set a career high in assists with 57 last season against Trine, topped that mark with 60.

Juniors Meghann Rose and Ellen Huelsmann led the way

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Frilling takes on new role

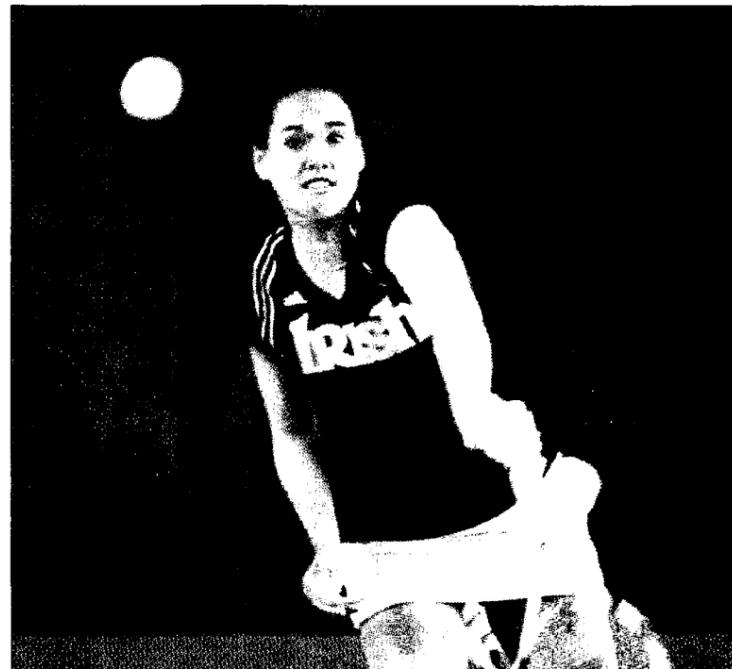
By DOUG FARMER
Sports Writer

Kristy Frilling came to Notre Dame a year ago as a freshman eager to defer to upperclassmen on any occasion. As this season approaches, Frilling knows she will be looked at by many as the team's leader on the court.

Frilling has already been named the 2009 ITA Player to Watch, and in preseason rankings, she is ranked the highest of three Notre Dame singles players at No. 20. The sophomore's sights are set well past preseason rankings.

"I want to make both the individual tournaments again," Frilling said. "I want to do the best I can at every tournament and

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Sophomore Kristy Frilling serves on March 6 at the Eck Pavilion in a 7-0 victory over Iowa last season.