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May's Commencement to be held in Stadium

Exercises to be moved from Joyce Center, removing attendance limits; colleges to hold diploma ceremonies

By JOSEPH MCMAHON
Associate News Editor

University President Fr. John Jenkins announced the University Commencement Ceremony will be moved this year from the Joyce Center arena to the Notre Dame Stadium in an e-mail to the student body yesterday.

Allowing all the family members of graduates to attend commencement was the primary motivating factor for

moving the ceremony, Jenkins said.

"The University Commencement Ceremony represents an important milestone in the lives of all members of the Notre Dame family," he said. "Rather than limit the number of tickets available, forcing families to choose which grandparents and siblings can attend, we want to welcome everyone to share in this proud moment."

Jenkins said the only alternative was to reduce guest seat-

ing, which he called "an unacceptable course of action."

The reduction in seating was caused by this year's renovations to the Joyce Center and the addition of the Purcell Pavilion, which Jenkins said reduces the size of the arena by about 2,000 seats.

"Rather than offer each graduate only two guest tickets for the University Commencement Ceremony, Notre Dame Stadium provides the opportunity to remove limits on guest attendance," he said.

Jenkins said this year will also be the first time the University holds undergraduate "diploma ceremonies" in each college "so that each graduate hears his or her name called and receives a diploma and well-deserved recognition on stage."

However, holding the ceremony outdoors runs the risk of having bad weather interfere with Commencement. Jenkins said Commencement will proceed "rain or shine" and "only severe weather [would move] it

indoors."

Senior Nicholas Dan said he is glad his entire family will be able to attend the ceremony, but he hopes the weather doesn't ruin the event.

"I am looking forward to the Commencement in the Stadium," he said. "I am glad that I will be able to have my whole family attend and as long as it doesn't rain, I think it will be a much better arrangement."

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More a u box office begins Web ticket sales

By MEGAN LONEY
News Writer

Don't have time in your schedule to walk to the box office to purchase tickets? Problem solved. The Moreau Center for the Arts announced Sept. 30 they now provide an option to buy online tickets.

"We have heard several comments from patrons concerning our box office hours, specifically that we aren't open on weekends or past 5 p.m. for those that work a normal workday," Patron Services and Marketing Manager Chris Selleck said. "Now our patrons have the ability to purchase their tickets 24/7 from their own home."

Patrons are able to choose their seats online and print their tickets at home, she said.

All tickets — printed at home or bought at the box office — have barcodes that are scanned at the doors prior to entering an event to ensure their authenticity, Selleck said. This online feature is unique to the Moreau Center, she said.

"To the best of my knowledge, we are the only arts organization in the area that is using this technology," Selleck said.

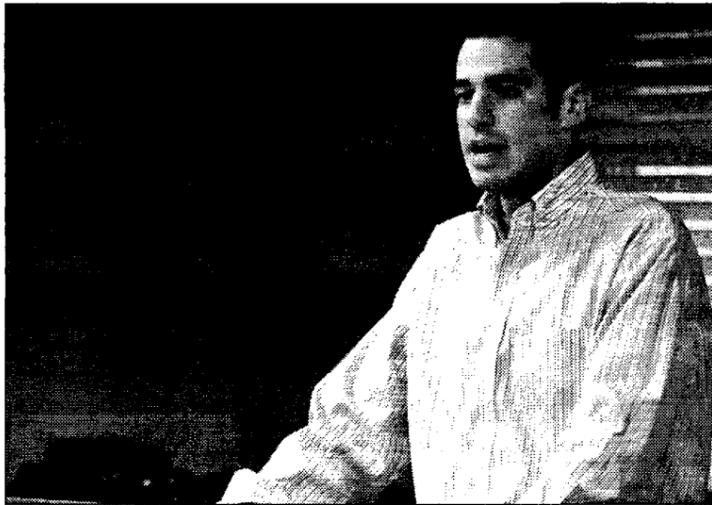
If the online box office succeeds, the system may be used by other Saint Mary's College venues.

"Our hope is to also expand our ticketing system into other areas of the College such as athletic events. This new system is revolutionizing the way we do

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STUDENT SENATE

Schmidt delivers State of Student Union address



SUZANNA PRATT/The Observer

Student body president Grant Schmidt prioritized off-campus safety during his Wednesday night address.

By SARAH MERVOSH
News Writer

Student body president Grant Schmidt delivered his first State of the Student Union address to the Student Senate during its meeting Wednesday, identifying off-campus safety as a top priority and urging students to be proactive against crime.

Schmidt commended the new developments on and around campus, but cautioned that safety could become an issue with more reasons for students to go off campus.

"With the construction of Eddy Street Commons, the newly-developed apartments east of campus including Irish Row and

Irish Crossings, there are more reasons to go off campus," Schmidt said. "There are students living in Northeast Neighborhood, restaurants in the area, parties at different locations, bars, the mall, the grocery store, etc."

Schmidt said experiencing off-campus life is part of the college experience and that students should feel safe when they venture off campus.

"Half of what we want at Notre Dame is to of course become immersed in all that Notre Dame has to offer, but also, go out into the city of South Bend," he said.

"Over 80 percent of our student body volunteers in those

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Notre Dame student plays on World Cup team

Irish freshman midfielder Dillon Powers spends summer competing in Egypt, Greece

By IRENA ZAJICKOVA
News Writer

Notre Dame freshman Dillon Powers recently got the chance of a lifetime when he traveled to Greece and Egypt while playing for the United States Under-20 Men's World Cup soccer team.

Powers, who will be playing midfield for the Fighting Irish soccer team this year, has been traveling for soccer his whole life. He played for the Under-15 National Team, the Andromeda Soccer Club, the Under-18 National Team and was named the Gatorade National Boys Soccer Player of the Year during his senior year at Plano



Photo Courtesy of Dillon Powers

Notre Dame freshman Dillon Powers (3) poses with his teammates from the U.S. Under-20 Men's World Cup team in Egypt this summer.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Not Swift Enough

It makes me laugh that when Tim Brown or Rocket Ismail come back to Notre Dame no one bats an eye, but bring one 19-year-old singer on campus and the place shuts down.

But I can't judge. Once I got the text I went out to look for her too.

Because who's not a Taylor Swift fan? For a long time, I wasn't. I didn't see the hype. "Love Story?"

Comparing Shakespeare to 17th-century Puritan literature? Juliet and Hester Prynne don't belong in the same song and the marriage at the end has a 50-50 chance of lasting until her next album comes out.

If he's trying to be quiet because his mama don't know, why are they slamming screen doors? And "Take me back to the time we had our very first fight?" I love fighting. Let's relive that. Sign me up.

But then I drove across the country with my friend Danny, a T-Swift fanatic, and once we got to Nebraska we had listened to every song on our iPods. So back came Taylor. Around Iowa I could tolerate it. By Grand Junction, Colo., I was hooked.

Then I saw "Thug Story," her rap video with T-Pain. That hammered it home. A beautiful blonde gangster who makes caramel delight cookies? Isn't that every guy's dream?

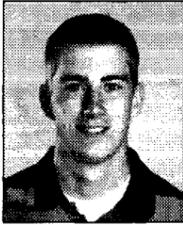
She's so appealing because she walks the line between fantasyland and real life. Of course people's lives don't play out like "Love Story," but wouldn't it be nice if they did? Hasn't everyone believed someone else belonged with them, not with the good-for-nothing jerk he/she was with? And think about "Fifteen." I'm a history major, meaning I won't get a job, and a journalism minor, meaning I double won't get a job, so I'd love to go back to freshman year of high school when nothing really mattered.

She's also inspiration to accomplish something. She's two years younger than me and had two albums go platinum. She wrote a novel (unpublished) and is an NHL spokeswoman. What have I done?

Most importantly, she has ties to Notre Dame. Remember the music video for "You Belong With Me?" That football field was at Pope John Paul II High School in Hendersonville, Tenn., where her brother Austin, who was looking at Notre Dame as a potential college, goes. It's also the alma mater of none other than Golden Tate.

So I'm walking across campus looking for a tall blonde and having no luck. I'm on the phone with Danny, who's having a conception — "Do you have a picture of me?!" Write my number on the back." — and I see hundreds of people converging on a golf cart. I walk over, realizing now that my camera, currently sitting on my bookshelf at home, does me no good. She starts driving towards me and I freeze. How do I reduce everything I just wrote into half a second as she drives by? Should I jump on the golf cart? Propose? Smile sheepishly? I went with option smile sheepishly, which was quickly overshadowed by the horde of students screaming and chasing after her. My chance was lost forever.

Sorry, Taylor. Next time you're on campus, I'll have my game face on.



Bill Brink

Managing Editor

QUESTION OF THE DAY: DID YOU SEE TAYLOR SWIFT?



Alisa Rantanen

freshman Ryan

"No, but everyone told me all about it!"



Matt Chronert

junior Dillon

"I heard there were a bunch of fake Taylor Swift's running around."



Ryan Shay

junior Dillon

"I saw her in Main Building. Me and a few other kids ran out of our class early and took pictures with her."



Sarah Philbin

sophomore Ryan

"I heard she was in DPAC!"



Anna Seghetti

senior Lyons

"I just missed her behind the Dome, her car had just pulled away. I love her, I really wanted to see her!"

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



Photo Courtesy of Joe Nye

Notre Dame students, from top left, Dave Surprenant, Joseph Hurtekant, David Mahin, Anmol Malhotra and Gavin Do, from bottom left, Don Jamell and Joe Nye, pose with musician Taylor Swift in the Main Building Wednesday.

OFFBEAT

Candidate puts rivals' names on yard tombstones

SYLVANIA, Ohio — A man running for office in Ohio has put a Halloween display in his yard that includes tombstones bearing the names of his political opponents. Royal Barber of Sylvania Township near Toledo said it's all in good fun. Some of his opponents don't think so.

One asked that his name be taken off the tombstone. Barber agreed, crossing out the name and replacing it with an asterisk.

Another of Barber's rivals for township trustee said she burst out laughing when she saw the tombstone with her

name. She said Barber should put more time into running his own campaign instead of decorating his yard.

Naked burglar breaks into home, cooks and showers

SLIDELL, La. — Police said a naked man who appeared to be drunk or on drugs broke into a home in Slidell, cooked and ate a meal and took a shower before leaving, wrapped only in a sheet. Slidell Police Capt. Kevin Foltz said a video surveillance system at the home shows that the naked man first used a garden hose to

shower outside the house. He later broke several windows, entered the house and ransacked it before cooking himself a meal, having several drinks and showering again. It happened early Monday while the home's owner was away.

Police chief Freddy Drennan was hoping for the public's help in finding the suspect. Pictures of the man have been released, including one that was on the front page of The Times-Picayune on Wednesday.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

"King Lear" will be showing in the Browning Cinema of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center today at 7 p.m. as part of the Nanovic Institute for European Studies' Shakespeare Film Series. Tickets are \$3 for students and can be purchased online or at the Ticket Office.

The Orestes Brownson Council will present a lecture on "God, Country, Notre Dame" examining the roots of the Catholic university in the American republic Friday at 7:30 p.m. in 131 DeBartolo Hall.

The Notre Dame Men's Hockey team will play Alabama-Huntsville Friday at 7:35 p.m. at the Joyce Center Ice Rink. Ticket information is available at 631-7356.

La Alianza is hosting "Dance: Fiesta del Sol 2009" Friday from 6:30 p.m. to midnight in the Fieldhouse Mall or, if it rains, in the LaFortune Ballroom. There will be free food from until 8 p.m. and dancing from 8 p.m. till midnight. Entertainment will be provided by DJ Jaime del Rio.

The College of Science is hosting a lecture on "Exploding Stars and the Accelerating Cosmos: Einstein's Blunder Undone" Friday at 7 p.m. in the Hesburgh Library Auditorium. Robert P. Kirshner, Clowes Professor of Science at Harvard University, will be speaking.

The 121st Annual Sorin College Talent Show will take place on Friday at 8 p.m. in front of Sorin Hall. The event is free.

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Team competes in NASCAR program

By CASEY KENNY
News Writer

New to Notre Dame this year is the "NASCAR Kinetics: Marketing in Motion" case-study program which offers students the chance to tackle the challenges faced by NASCAR's sponsors and marketing professionals.

Ricky Gonzalez, a junior marketing major and captain of the new team, is excited by the hands-on learning experience.

"We are one of six universities competing in this program and it is a great experience," he said.

"We are given case studies by NASCAR to work on throughout the semester, culminating in a large case study and presentation at the end of October."

The four-member Notre Dame team hopes to be among the top three teams chosen to receive an all expense paid trip to Florida in November to present their final case study to a panel of NASCAR judges.

"We are very excited about our team's performance. We work with all aspects of marketing, communications and advertising and hope to make it to that stage where we can make our presentation face-to-face with NASCAR representatives in Florida," Gonzalez said.

In its second year, NASCAR Kinetics attracts students from a variety of majors.

"I got involved in the program because I am really interested in both sports and marketing, so a sports marketing competition was the perfect outlet for me," said Kate Hefele, a sophomore majoring in marketing and journalism.

Team member, Nathan Durkes, a senior business and theology double major at Holy Cross College, was drawn to the overall objective of the program.

"I have always been interested in the automotive business world and, by extension, the world of motorsports. When I heard about the NASCAR Kinetics program, I knew that it would be a fantastic opportunity to apply the skills that I have gained over the last four years and to collaborate with other top students."

Others welcome the opportunity to work as a team on the case studies, which focus on real challenges faced by NASCAR's marketing employees and sponsors every day.

John Crowder, a senior economics and computer applications major, said, "I got involved with the program through GoRish, and applied because I felt that Notre Dame students could provide a competitive spirit in marketing that NASCAR is looking for. They stress a lot of the same qualities ND fans do, such as fan commitment — once a fan always a fan. It's a great exercise in teamwork, and I am loving it so far."

Throughout the semester, the team has been working on case studies and presenting them via phone conferences to NASCAR representatives.

"It's exciting to receive our case projects from NASCAR and know that when we send them our ideas, they are really reviewing and listening to them, so our hard work actually makes a difference versus just being a grade in a classroom," Hefele said.

On Oct. 15 at 6 p.m. in the Eck Center Auditorium, NASCAR executives and the Notre Dame N A S C A R Kinetics team will present a panel discussion about the program.

"This is an ideal way for students to learn about careers and opportunities within the sports industries, and the everyday racing fan will also appreciate getting a rare look at the inner workings of NASCAR," Durkes said.

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Theology on Fire examines health care

By CAITLIN HOUSELEY
Sports Writer

Church teachings should inform the health care debate Sr. Geraldine Hoyer, general treasurer of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, said during Saint Mary's College Theology on Fire series on Wednesday.

"Health care is a form of making God present in people's lives," Hoyer said. "When people are ill, they are vulnerable, and when people are vulnerable, it is much easier for them to meet God."

Noting that health care providers should make Jesus known to their patients, Hoyer said, "You don't just want to take care of a person's broken leg, and not their broken heart."

Hoyer said Catholicism has had a role in health care, reaching far back into history. She said monasteries provided health care long before hospitals were established. More recently, she added, teachers and sisters of the Holy Cross from Saint Mary's College have volunteered as nurses in the Navy.

Linking healthcare to today, Hoyer said one in six people who enter a hospital are cared for in a Catholic hospital.

Hoyer narrowed today's debate to a couple of topics — delivery and access to health care and who funds health insurance.

She said 47 to 50 million people in the United States do not have health insurance.

According to Hoyer, since many people don't have access

to preventative care, they do not go to the hospital until their conditions become critical. By then, she said, providing care will cost more than it would have if preventative options were available.

She said the Catholic Church holds that healthcare is a right, not a commodity.

Hoyer said The Catholic Health Association has six principles underlying their position on health care: human dignity, concern for the poor and vulnerable, justice, the common good, stewardship and pluralism.

The principle of the common good is the realization that the health and well being of the individual is largely dependent on the health and well being of the community, she said. Also, she said pluralism is the encouragement of both the public and private sectors to become involved in healthcare.

Hoyer explained how these principles could translate into a health care system. She said health care should be affordable for everyone, oriented toward prevention, fairly financed and designed for quality.

Brooke Druktenis, a senior Saint Mary's nursing student, said it is important to stress healthcare for all at all ages. She said her focus was on "preventative care instead of intervention care for the here and now."

We have a moral responsibility to express our views on healthcare, Hoyer said.

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SMC receives grant from U.S. Justice Department

By AVA LEE
News Writer

Saint Mary's College received a three-year, \$299,893 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women in time for October's Domestic Violence Awareness Month to create an on-campus program educating students about sexual violence.

"At Saint Mary's College, we educate our students to make a difference in the world. That preparation must include education on how women can protect themselves from becoming a victim of violence, and how to deal with the aftermath of an assault," Vice President for Student Affairs Karen Johnson said. "Our expectation is this on-campus program will serve as a model for other colleges, women's or otherwise."

Although Saint Mary's College crime statistics are "very low," according to a College press release, the program takes into account the high prevalence of sexual assault among college women — one in six women is sexually assaulted during their lifetime and college students are four times as likely to be victims.

In order to ensure the effectiveness of this program, Saint Mary's College will cooperate with S-O-S of Madison Center,

the Family Justice Center of St. Joseph County, the St. Joseph County Prosecutor's Office, the prosecutor office's Special Victims Unit and the St. Joseph County Police Department, the press release said.

According to the press release, the project aims to achieve seven goals: To create a Saint Mary's College Coordinated Community Response Team, to establish a mandatory education program for incoming students, to enhance the College's training program for campus security, to provide the campus with disciplinary boards for appropriate training, to provide the College community with increased educational opportunities, to enhance the victim services available to Saint Mary's College students and to enhance the security on campus.

In addition to cooperating with numerous offices on campus, Saint Mary's College will also coordinate with organization from outside the campus, Johnson said, and plans to hire an assistant director for the program.

The government grant will be an important step to assure increased safety and security on campus and in the local community, Johnson said.

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NDSP offers self-defense class

By LAURA McCRYSTAL
News Writer

Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) began offering monthly women's self-defense classes aimed at rape prevention this semester, as part of the nation-wide Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) program, NDSP crime prevention officer Keri Kei Shibata said.

RAD classes were offered previously by request for groups of women, such as dorms or student groups, a few times a year. The classes were not otherwise scheduled because there was not enough interest to justify the cost, Shibata said.

But this year, NDSP got new instructors for the RAD program and began to schedule classes open to all female students, faculty and staff.

"The goal was [to offer a class] every other month but because there was so much interest we've done it every month," she said.

The course is 12 hours and is usually broken into four, three-hour sessions. The first two classes offered this semester have been on Monday and Wednesday evenings for two weeks, Shibata said.

"The first class is mostly focused on awareness and

prevention," she said. "And then the rest of the class is focused on physical technique."

The classes focus on repetitions of the techniques to make them instinctive, Shibata said.

One course was offered in September, and the first session of the October class began on Monday evening. Shibata said the class planned for November will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and is already filled.

"We're just trying to mix the scheduling up so people can take it with the varying schedules," she said.

A minimum of 12 participants is required to hold a class, and there is a maximum of 20 women in each class, Shibata said. Participants pay a fee of \$5 to cover the cost of the textbooks.

The September class was filled with mostly faculty and staff, Shibata said, although the October and November classes are roughly half students and half faculty and staff.

Although she said she does not think the amount of crime itself has increased, Shibata said awareness about crime in the Notre Dame and South Bend area has risen.

"In the last couple years there's been a lot of awareness and attention on crime in the area," she said.

This attention may have contributed to the interest in the RAD class this year, Shibata said.

NDSP has also received positive feedback from participants and hopes to continue to expand RAD classes, she said.

"People have been very positive and felt like they've learned a lot," Shibata said. "One good thing about RAD is there's a come back and practice clause."

With this clause, past participants can attend a RAD class offered anywhere in the country to relearn and practice their skills.

In the future, Shibata said the classes at Notre Dame may expand to include the RAD program for men.

Although the scheduled classes are already filled, interested women can contact Shibata

through NDSP to receive advance notice about the next class offering.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Argentinian astronomer dies

BUENOS AIRES — Pedro Elias Zadunaisky, an Argentine astronomer and mathematician whose calculations helped determine the orbit of Saturn's outermost moon, Phoebe, as well as Halley's Comet, died Wednesday. He was 91.

Zadunaisky was a pioneer in celestial mechanics, applying mathematical models to determine how gravity and other forces alter the orbits of other objects in the solar system.

Zadunaisky also was a Senior Astronomer at the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory and in the 1960s researched the orbits of celestial bodies at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center, calculating the orbits of the first U.S. Earth satellite, Explorer I, as well as other satellites during the U.S. space race against Russia.

7.8 magnitude quake strikes

WELLINGTON, New Zealand — A powerful magnitude 7.8 earthquake rocked the South Pacific near the Vanuatu archipelago, the U.S. Geological Survey reported, triggering a regional tsunami alert.

The quake struck Thursday 183 miles (294 kilometers) northwest of the Vanuatu island of Santo, and 354 miles (596 kilometers) northwest of the capital of Port Vila, at a depth of 21 miles (35 kilometers).

The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center immediately issued a regional tsunami warning.

There were no immediate reports of injury or damage from officials in Vanuatu, a collection of nearly 200 islands.

NATIONAL NEWS

Woman settles spinach lawsuit

SALINAS, Calif. — An 85-year-old woman who fell sick after eating E. coli-tainted spinach during a nationwide outbreak three years ago has settled her lawsuit against California growers and shippers.

Jane Majeska of Fond du Lac, Wis., was hospitalized with hemolytic uremic syndrome and depended on a feeding tube and ventilator for survival after eating Dole packaged spinach in August 2006.

The outbreak killed three people, sickened 200 and cost the industry \$80 million in lost sales.

Her lawsuit filed last month sought unspecified damages from Dole, Natural Selection Foods, Mission Organics and Pick 'n Save for her pain and suffering.

Attorneys said she spent a half-million dollars in hospital and doctor bills.

Man pleads guilty to human trafficking

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — A Moldovan, one of 12 people charged in a massive racketeering scheme, pleaded guilty Wednesday in federal court to one count of forced labor trafficking, and agreed to cooperate with the government.

Alexandru Frumusache admitted in a plea bargain that he had aided and abetted an operation in which foreigners were provided with temporary work visas then fanned out to housekeeping jobs in 14 states.

Frumusache (pronounced froo-moo-SAHK-ee) admitted that he worked as a secretary for Giant Labor Solutions, a Kansas City-based labor-leasing company, and drove workers to various places, including Alabama, in violation of the work visas they had received.

LOCAL NEWS

Former officers sentenced to jail

HAMMOND, Ind. — A former St. Joseph County police officer accused with two other lawmen of selling stolen items and drugs has been sentenced to 42 months in federal prison.

Ryan Huston pleaded guilty in 2007 to aiding and abetting wire fraud and conspiracy to possess cocaine with intent to distribute the drug. The sentence he received Wednesday includes three months of supervised release.

Huston's co-defendants, former county officer Andrew Taghon and former South Bend police officer Jamie Buford, pleaded guilty to similar charges in 2007.

HAITI

Carter seeks to boost Malaria fight

Former U.S. president urges Caribbean leaders to join efforts against the disease

Associated Press

OUANAMIN THE —

Former President Jimmy Carter traveled to Hispaniola on Wednesday to meet political leaders, health workers and malaria victims in hopes of jump-starting efforts to eradicate the disease in the Caribbean.

The battle against the mosquito-borne disease in the Dominican Republic and neighboring Haiti has been frustrating, with health officials complaining of a lack of cooperation between both country's governments.

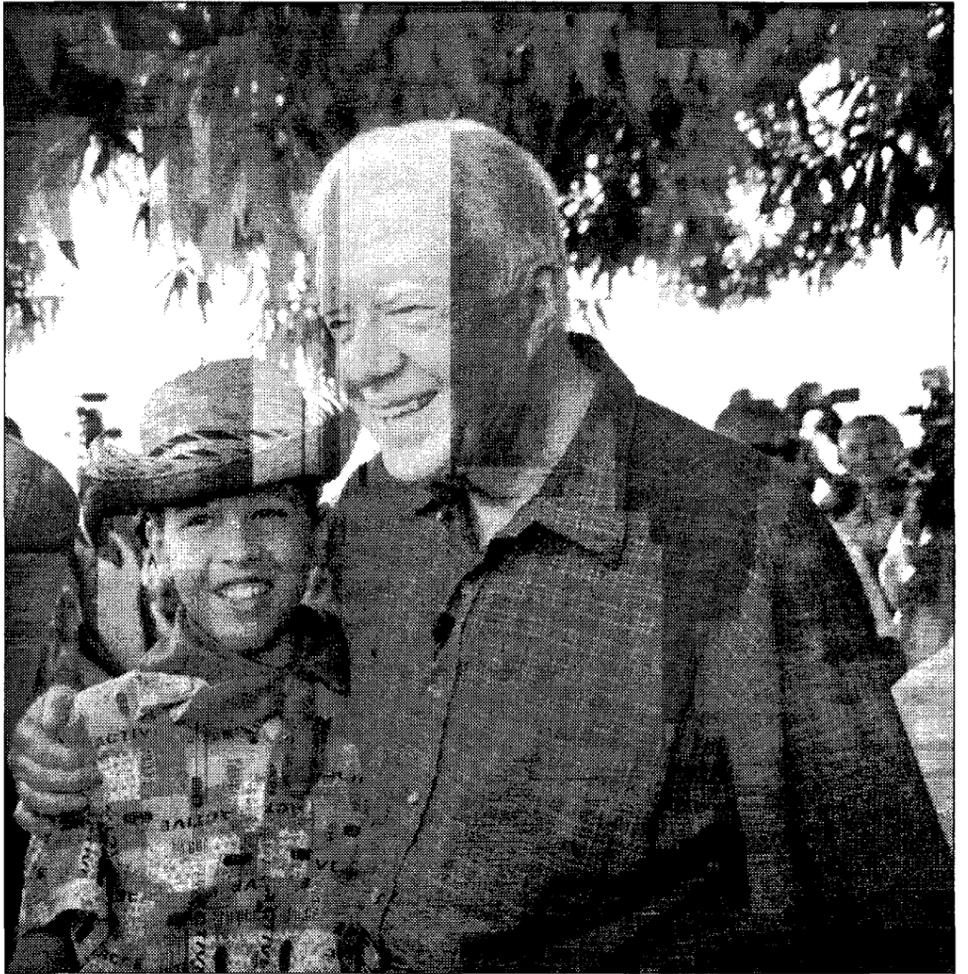
Carter said on his visit to Ouanaminthe and to Dajabon in the Dominican, just across a river border separating the two countries, that he hopes to expand a \$200,000 pilot project established in those towns by the nonprofit Carter Center to curb malaria's spread.

The project's funding runs out early next year, but Carter said he hopes governments, nonprofit health groups and private foundations will pick up the tab for a broader effort.

"One of the most important developments has been the new cooperation between the two countries," Carter said while touring a Haitian hospital that treats many malaria victims. "And for the first time in history, they are targeting the complete elimination of the disease instead of just treating sick people."

An estimated 30,000 people in Haiti and several thousand more across the border suffer each year from malaria, which causes high fevers and flu-like symptoms that kills more than one million people each year, mostly in Africa.

Health officials say a 10-year, Haiti-wide program to eliminate malaria by 2020 would likely cost \$200 million. Another \$50 million



Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter hugs a young musician during his visit to the La Bomba neighborhood in Dajabon, Dominican Republic, Wednesday.

would be needed to wipe out lymphatic filariasis, another painful illness carried by mosquitoes that can swell limbs to grotesque proportions.

That price tag may seem daunting, particularly in Haiti, the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. But Carter, who was quickly surrounded at each stop by dozens of Haitians and Dominicans seeking a glimpse of him, said the costs to eradicate the disease pale in comparison to pricier health initiatives in wealthier nations.

"A tiny bit of money can completely eradicate these diseases," he said.

Ridding this corner of the world of the disease

would also eliminate the threat that it could spread to nearby islands, including Jamaica and the Bahamas.

"We want to help both sides raise their sights up from the day-to-day battle," said Dr. Don Hopkins, the director of the Carter Center's health programs.

The Atlanta-based center's project distributes nets treated with insecticide to drape over beds, microscopes to help lab technicians and motorbikes so field workers can zip through cramped alleys to test and treat residents.

It also helps bolster efforts in both countries to track, contain and treat a disease that spreads from

fetid ditches and gullies of standing water.

In the Dominican Republic, for one, health workers journey each night to a foul-smelling farm in La Bomba, a Dajabon neighborhood with the highest infection rates, and test captured mosquitoes for the disease.

Across the border in Haiti, residents of the slums on the outskirts of Ouanaminthe greet health worker Jovind Fritzner as he makes his rounds, repeating verbatim his radio warnings on the dangers of malaria. They kid him about when he'll return with heavy equipment to wipe out mosquito breeding sites.

ITALY

Court overturns Berlusconi's immunity

Associated Press

ROME — Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi vowed to stay on and "go forward" Wednesday after an Italian court struck down a law granting him immunity from prosecution and allowed trials for corruption and tax fraud to resume in Milan. There were immediate calls for his resignation.

The decision by the Constitutional Court dealt Berlusconi one of the most serious blows in his 15-year-long battle with the Italian judiciary. It handed prosecutors another chance to ask for his conviction and added to a list of problems that already includes a headline-grabbing sex scandal.

The billionaire businessman-turned-politician dismissed any suggestion of resignation, and his conservative allies, who dominate parliament, quickly rallied to his support.

"Nothing will happen, we will go forward," the premier told reporters in front of his residence in Rome.

"The trials they will hurl at me in Milan are real farces," he said. "I will detract some hours from taking care of the government to go there and show them to be liars."

The ever-combative premier said he felt "invigorated" by the challenge and ended his brief statement by shouting "Long live Italy! Long live Berlusconi!"

Berlusconi, 73, continues to be widely popular in Italy, despite accusations from his wife that he has had inappropriate relationships with far younger women and allegations from a self-described call girl that he spent a night with her. The scandal erupted in the spring after his wife announced she was divorcing him.

Berlusconi says he is "no saint" but has denied ever paying anyone for sex or having any improper relationships.

The law overturned Wednesday was pushed through by Berlusconi's conservative coalition in 2008 when he faced separate trials in Milan for corruption and tax fraud tied to his Mediaset broadcasting empire.

STUDENT SENATE

Senate to present on off-campus safety

Observer Staff Report

Student Senate unanimously approved the topic for student government's presentation to the Board of Trustees, which will take place next Thursday. Student government will present on the issue of off-campus safety.

The goal of the presentation is to inform the Board of Trustees about how off-campus safety concerns are affecting Notre Dame students, and to ask for help with an issue that is beyond the scope student government's resources.

Student body vice president Cynthia Weber said she plans to tell the Board that off-campus safety is an issue for students and to show the Board members research on possible long-term and short-term solutions.

Student body president Grant Schmidt, Weber and chief of staff Ryan Brellenthin will represent student government in the meeting next week.

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Senior Don Whitley agreed, adding he was happy commencement will be held in a place as historic as Notre Dame Stadium.

"I think that it is really cool that we will be able to incorporate Notre Dame Stadium and its history into Commencement, but it will be pretty rough if it rains," he said.

Commencement will be held in the morning on the third Sunday in May, while the undergraduate diploma ceremonies will be held later "in each college and school in the afternoon," Jenkins said.

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Senior High School in 2009.

Powers got the chance to play in the Under-20 World Cup when the team's coach saw him play for the Under-18 National Team. He was given a tryout and was chosen to go on a training trip to Egypt with the team in June. He was then invited to the next trip in Argentina and was chosen to be on the team.

The team went to a 10-day training camp in Cyprus, Greece, where they played two scrimmage games, one versus Trinidad and Tobago and one versus Australia, both of which they won.

After Cyprus came a trip to Cairo, Egypt for the opening rounds of the World Cup. Powers' team played games vs. Cameroon, Germany and Korea. Since the only team they beat was Cameroon, they did not advance to the next round.

"We ended up not advancing and it was a disappointing experience for us but a good experience for me because I can still learn from it," Powers said.

Powers said he would be eligible to play again during the next World Cup, so he is glad he has already had the chance to play on the international stage.

"Being on the world stage can be a little overwhelming, so it was good to experience

that," Powers said.

Powers also said he gained knowledge about where the United States is in relation to the world's top soccer teams.

"The U.S. has a long way to go in terms of catching up with the rest of the soccer nations," Powers said. "We're still in the developing process."

Of all the places he has visited, Powers said his favorite was Portugal. He also enjoyed seeing the pyramids and sphinx during his time in Egypt.

"My favorite place would probably be Portugal," Powers said. "It was just a really nice environment and we got to sit on the beach so that was fun."

This experience forced Powers to miss three weeks of class and part of his freshman soccer season at Notre Dame. He said his professors were fairly understanding about the situation.

"I missed three weeks, it was pretty tough. I had to make sure [my professors] were okay with it and see if they'd work with me," Powers said. "In the end it worked out pretty good."

In addition to catching up on homework, Powers will catch up on Irish soccer as well when he returns to the team to finish the season.

"They have a great team this year so it's kind of an exciting time," Powers said. "We have a high-caliber team so we know we can do a lot this year."

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ticketing at Saint Mary's College."

Patrons still have the option to buy tickets at the box office either in person or by phone Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets can also be purchased at the door one hour prior to the start of the show.

Selleck said she hopes the online system will shorten lines the night of performances.

"Typically we have a large walk-up," she said. "In addition, many of the students attending the performance will arrive only 10 minutes prior to cur-

tain, which causes us to be very swamped. My hope is that students will utilize the online system to purchase and print their tickets ahead of time, which in turn will alleviate lines at the box office prior to the show."

Feedback so far has been positive, Selleck said.

"I haven't received a lot of personal feedback yet," she said. "I've heard from a few people that think the system is very easy to use and liked it."

The system is ready for use, and the arts center has already sold several tickets online.

To purchase tickets visit the Moreau Center of the Arts Web site MoreauCenter.com and click on "Purchase Tickets Now."

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Schmidt

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areas," Schmidt said. "Students will and should feel free to visit, experience and at some point possibly live off campus."

Schmidt said the student body has the impression that burglaries and assaults increased this year.

This is not necessarily correct, he said, and even though steps have been taken in the right direction, safety it is still a pressing concern for students and the University.

Schmidt said an off-campus Web site, which highlights important features of living and traveling off campus, was created this year. The University also donated \$5.5 million to the surrounding areas of South Bend and created a new position for student government relations.

Student government is also in the process of working with TRANSPORTATION to create a program to provide free transportation on and off campus. The main goal of the program is safety, Schmidt said.

"With the close proximity of most destinations in the area, it is often way too easy for students to walk home. Taxis are not always the best option for students in certain situations," he said.

The program was not yet approved, he said.

"We must continue to work towards solutions to decrease the problems off campus," he said. "There is no easy answer. Every solution that we come up with of course has its consequences."

Schmidt said student government will continue to look into suggestions, such as surveillance and an increased police force in student areas. Federal and local grants could also be used to help support additional officers who

would travel by foot or bike in at-risk areas of South Bend.

He said student government will continue to look to Notre Dame Security Police for support while also considering expanding their presence off campus.

Schmidt, student body vice president Cynthia Weber and chief of staff Ryan Brellenthin will present to the Board of Trustees about off-campus safety next Thursday.

Schmidt called for students to be proactive in order to lower crimes.

"We absolutely must be aware of our surroundings. We must lock our doors. We must utilize security systems. Call the police if you're concerned. Keep valuable items out of sight," he said.

"I know you hear them time in and time out, but we must be the leaders who work towards preventing these problems," Schmidt said.

Schmidt congratulated the student body and the University for the progress made and encouraged them to increase safety.

"Let's harness the progress that we have made so far and continue to create welcoming environments for students and community members," he said.

Schmidt closed his speech by encouraging students to get fired up for the football game against USC.

"This is an opportunity for you as student leaders, and us as a student body, to truly enjoy what football means to this community. It's more than brats, hard hits and push ups," he said. "It goes back to the 'We are ND' chant."

"After the game next Saturday, your voice should be gone. You should be absolutely exhausted, you should smell disgusting," he said. "You should and will be a proud Notre Dame fan."

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IN BRIEF

Pool hall challenges smoking ban

OMAHA, Neb. — An Omaha pool hall owner has renewed his legal challenge of the state's smoking ban by filing a revised complaint in Lancaster County District Court arguing the ban is unconstitutional.

The statewide smoking ban that took effect June 1 includes exemptions for cigar bars, some hotel rooms, tobacco-only retailers, facilities that research the health effects of smoking, and private residences.

Big John's Billiards argues in the complaint that the exceptions to the ban are unfair and should make the ban unconstitutional. And Will Prout, the pool hall owner, argues that the ban hurts his businesses because his customers want to be able to smoke while shooting pool.

Big John's attorney Ted Boecker wrote that the exceptions grant a special privilege to exempt businesses, and that's not allowed under the state constitution's equal protection clause.

Mines receive safety warnings

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The operators of 10 U.S. mines, including the largest private-sector coal company in the world, have been warned they must improve health and safety conditions or face stricter enforcement and penalties, the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration said Wednesday.

Half the mines are in West Virginia, the nation's second-largest coal producer. One is a lead and zinc mine in Missouri and the rest are coal operations in Kentucky, Indiana and Virginia.

Inspectors found high levels of violations that could cause serious injuries or illnesses at each of the operations, MSHA said. For instance, Massey Energy Co.'s Tiller No. 1 underground mine in Virginia received citations for serious violations at 222 percent of the national average, according to MSHA.

The agency hopes the notification will encourage the operators to make improvements, MSHA deputy director Gregory Wagner said in a statement. MSHA didn't identify specific violations in the letters, giving only numbers and rates of violations.

MSHA has issued similar warnings four times since June 2007.

Judge sets deadline for Google Books

Company and authors' lawyers have until early November to reach a new deal

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A federal judge set a Nov. 9 deadline Wednesday for submission of a revised agreement in the battle over Google Inc.'s effort to get digital rights to millions of out-of-print books. Then the debate over the fairness of the plan will resume.

U.S. District Judge Denny Chin set the deadline after a lawyer for authors told the judge that Google and lawyers for authors and publishers were working around the clock to reach a new deal by early November.

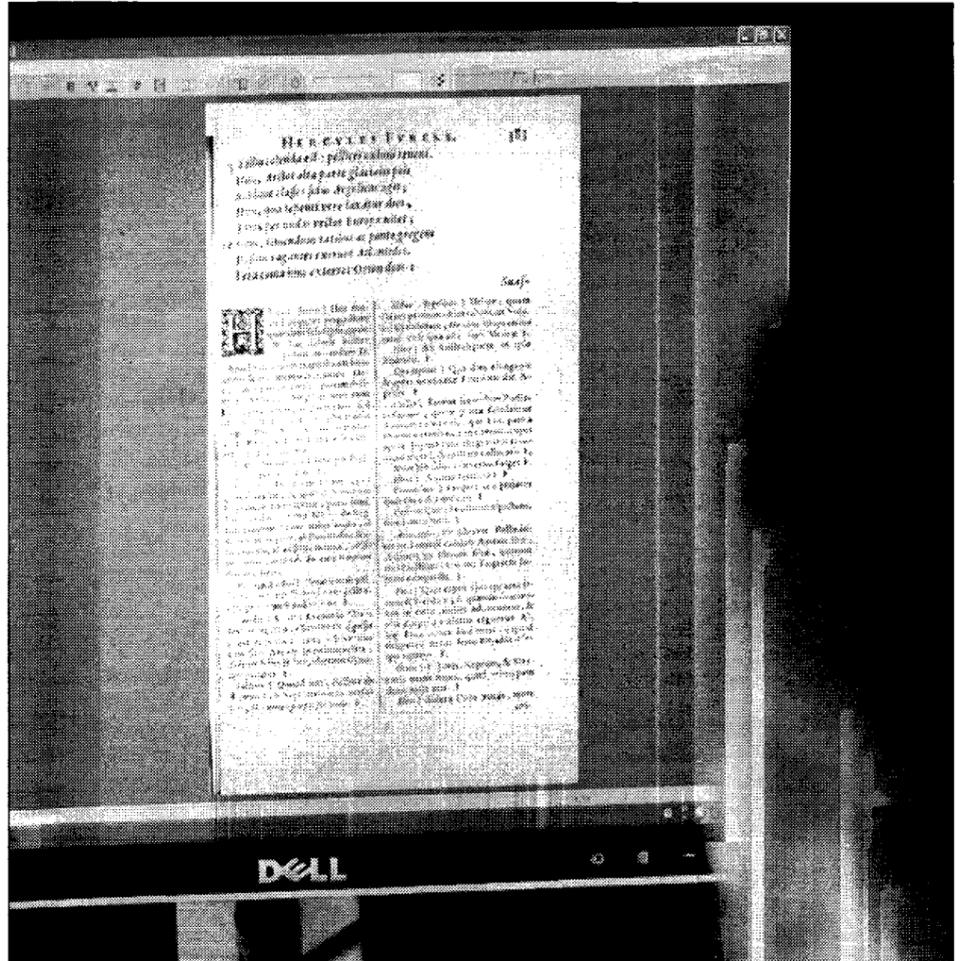
The \$125 million agreement was being renegotiated after it was heavily criticized by many of the more than 400 submissions Chin received prior to a fairness hearing originally scheduled for Wednesday.

The biggest blow came in papers filed last month by the Justice Department, which said the deal "raises significant legal concerns." The agency wrote that it was likely to conclude the agreement breaks federal antitrust law.

The Justice Department also said that the deal could decrease competition among U.S. publishers and drive up prices for consumers because Google might gain a monopoly on out-of-print books that are protected by copyright but whose writers' whereabouts are unknown. The head of the U.S. Copyright Office testified in a House Judiciary Committee last month that parts of the agreement were "fundamentally at odds with the law."

The original deal was announced by Mountain View, Calif.-based Google and the publishing industry last October to resolve two copyright lawsuits contesting the book scanning plans.

Michael Boni, a lawyer for authors, told the judge Wednesday that the new agreement would contain amendments to the original



Google Inc. is revising an agreement with authors' lawyers to get digital rights to millions of out-of-print books like the rare, centuries-old Bible that Courtney Mitchel is examining, above.

deal to make it acceptable to the Justice Department.

William F. Cavanaugh, a deputy assistant attorney general, told the judge that the government has been in continuing discussions with the parties.

However, he said the government was not yet aware of what the final deal will look like.

He said he expected "meetings in the near term to go over whatever their proposal is."

Cavanaugh asked that the judge give the government a week to 10 days after any deadline for objections to be submitted for the Justice Department to prepare its analysis of the new deal.

At one point, Chin asked what will happen if negoti-

ations break down and no deal is reached.

Google lawyer Daralyn Durie reassured the judge, saying: "The parties' expectation is we will be able to reach agreement."

Chin did not set deadlines for when objections will be required to be submitted but said he expected he will only allow objections to any new provisions, since core features of the agreement are expected to remain intact.

"Everyone has a pretty good idea what's on the table," he said. "Targeting the changes, I think, is the right way to do it."

The Open Book Alliance, which includes Microsoft Corp., Yahoo Inc., Internet bookseller Amazon.com Inc., other companies and

nonprofit organizations, said the deadline for a new agreement was too soon.

"Any revisions to the settlement that would resolve the flaws identified by the Department of Justice and other objectors must be fundamental in scope," organization co-founder Peter Brantley said in a statement. "This is not the time for shortcuts."

The group also criticized what it called "secret, back room negotiations" that exclude those who have voiced objections.

After the Justice Department said it probably violates antitrust law, plaintiffs including The Authors Guild and the Association of American Publishers began renegotiating with Google.

Regulators do not place ban on shipments

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal regulators have turned down a request by a pilots union to ban air shipments of lithium batteries despite three new incidents in which battery shipments caught fire.

Instead, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration sent a warning Wednesday to cargo shippers that the government intends to step up enforcement of hazardous materials regulations, especially those that apply to lithium batteries and devices containing the batteries.

The Air Line Pilots Association International, the world's largest pilots union, said increased enforcement won't go nearly far enough.

"Enforcement of inadequate regulations still produces inadequate safety. We still stand behind our call for a temporary ban until new regulations are adopted and enforced," said John Prater, the union's president.

The union in August sent a letter to Cynthia Douglass, the safety administration's acting deputy administrator, calling for a ban. The union said it was alarmed by an increase in incidents in which shipments containing the batteries caught fire. If a battery short-circuits, it can catch fire and ignite other batteries.

Since the union sent its letter, three new incidents involving the batteries have been reported to the Federal Aviation Administration:

On Sept. 9, a passenger on an American Airlines flight to Los

Angeles dropped a "personal electronic device," which then caught fire.

On Aug. 25, Federal Express workers discovered a "burning and smoking package" at its Medford, Mass., facility. The package containing GPS devices was to be shipped by air to Seattle. Workers cut open the package but were unable to put out the fire using a fire extinguisher. Firefighters were called in.

On Aug. 15, United Parcel Service's airline hub in Taiwan discovered a smoldering package of batteries sent by a shipper in Macau, China.

Since 1991, more than 40 air transport-related incidents involving lithium batteries and devices powered by lithium batteries have been identified, the safety administration said.

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Pot legalization gaining momentum

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Marijuana advocates are gathering signatures to get at least three pot-legalization measures on the ballot in 2010 in California, setting up what could be a groundbreaking clash with the federal government over U.S. drug policy.

At least one poll shows voters would support lifting the pot prohibition, which would make the state of 40 million the first in the nation to legalize marijuana.

Such action would also send the state into a headlong conflict with the U.S. government while raising questions about how federal law enforcement could enforce its drug laws in the face of a massive government-sanctioned pot industry.

The state already has a thriving marijuana trade, thanks to a first-of-its-kind 1996 ballot measure that allowed people to smoke pot for medical purposes. But full legalization could turn medical marijuana dispensaries into all-purpose pot stores, and the open sale of joints could become commonplace on mom-and-pop liquor store counters in liberal locales like Oakland and Santa Cruz.

Under federal law, marijuana is illegal, period. After overseeing a series of raids that destroyed more than 300,000 marijuana plants in California's Sierra Nevada foothills this summer, federal drug czar Gil Kerlikowske proclaimed, "Legalization is not in the president's vocabulary, and it's not in mine."

The U.S. Supreme Court also has ruled that federal law enforcement agents have the right to crack down even on marijuana users and distributors who are in compliance with California's medical marijuana law.

But some legal scholars and policy analysts say the government will not be able to require California to help in enforcing the federal marijuana

ban if the state legalizes the drug.

Without assistance from the state's legions of narcotics officers, they say, federal agents could do little to curb marijuana in California.

"Even though that federal ban is still in place and the federal government can enforce it, it doesn't mean the states have to follow suit," said Robert Mikos, a Vanderbilt University law professor who recently published a paper about the issue.

Nothing can stop federal anti-drug agents from making marijuana arrests, even if Californians legalize pot, he said. However, the U.S. government cannot pass a law requiring local and state police, sheriff's departments or state narcotics enforcers to help.

That is significant, because nearly all arrests for marijuana crimes are made at the state level. Of more than 847,000 marijuana-related arrests in 2008, for example, just over 6,300 suspects were booked by federal law enforcement, or fewer than 1 percent.

State marijuana bans have allowed the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration to focus on big cases, said Rosalie Pacula, director of drug policy research at the Rand Corp.

"It's only something the feds are going to be concerned about if you're growing tons of pot," Pacula said. For anything less, she said, "they don't have the resources to waste on it."

In a typical recent prosecution, 29-year-old Luke Scarmazzo was sentenced to nearly 22 years and co-defendant Ricardo Ruiz Montes to 20 years in federal prison for drug trafficking through a medical marijuana dispensary in Modesto.

At his bond hearing, prosecutors showed a rap video in which Scarmazzo boasts about his successful marijuana busi-

ness, taunts federal authorities and carries cardboard boxes filled with cash. The DEA said the pair made more than \$4.5 million in marijuana sales in less than two years.

The DEA would not speculate on the effects of any decision by California to legalize pot. "Marijuana is illegal under federal law and DEA will continue to attack large-scale drug trafficking organizations at every level," spokeswoman Dawn Dearden said.

The most conservative of the three ballot measures would only legalize possession of up to one ounce of pot for personal use by adults 21 and older — an amount that already under state law can only result at most in a \$100 fine.

The proposal would also allow anyone to grow a plot of marijuana up to 5 feet-by-5 feet on their private property. The size, Pacula said, seems specifically designed to keep the total number of plants grown below 100, the threshold for DEA attention.

The greatest potential for conflict with the U.S. government would likely come from the provision that would give local governments the power to decide city-by-city whether to allow pot sales.

Hundreds of medical marijuana dispensaries across the state already operate openly with only modest federal interference. If recreational marijuana became legal, these businesses could operate without requiring their customers to qualify as patients.

Any business that grew bigger than the already typical storefront shops, however, would probably be too tempting a target for federal prosecution, experts said.

Even if Washington could no longer count on California to keep pot off its own streets, Congress or the Obama administration could try to coerce cooperation by withholding federal funds.

Bank robber's guns, letters to be auctioned

Associated Press

DALLAS — In a letter from jail, John Dillinger tells his father he knows he's been a disappointment but also assures him that he's "not guilty of half of the things I am charged with and I've never hurt anyone."

The letter written in neat cursive dated Sept. 29, 1933 — about two weeks before a group of friends broke him out of the Lima, Ohio, jail, killing the sheriff in the process — is among a dozen artifacts from the famed Depression-era bank robber that Heritage Auction Galleries will offer in December.

Dennis Lowe, director of arms and militaria at Heritage, said that the collection of Dillinger items, which he expects to sell for \$600,000 to \$800,000, are significant because they come from Dillinger's family.

The items, consigned by Dillinger's half-sister, also include three of Dillinger's firearms, a wool hunting suit in red-and-black plaid and two items he had on him when he was shot to death at the age of 31 by federal agents outside Chicago's Biograph Theater on July 22, 1934: a pocket watch and a dollar bill with his blood on it.

The auction also will feature a wooden gun that Dillinger's relatives believe he used to escape from an Indiana jail, though an Indiana museum says it has the real wooden gun.

Mike Thompson, Dillinger's 55-year-old nephew of Mooresville, Ind., said that there is no mystery surrounding any of the other items as they have been in the family all this time and most have a direct link from Dillinger's father to Thompson's mother, Frances Thompson, Dillinger's last surviving sibling.

Frances Thompson, 87, also of Mooresville, said the infamous gangster was a typical

older brother, who teased her and took her to movies.

"Like any brother, he teased me a lot. He loved to do that," said Frances Thompson, who was 12 when Dillinger was killed and subsequently accompanied their father, a church deacon, on a lecture tour advising that crime doesn't pay.

Dillinger and his gang attracted a lot of publicity during a yearlong crime-spree that started in 1933 that included bank robberies, shootouts, jail breaks and according to authorities, the killing of 10 people.

During the Depression, people were losing their savings as banks were failing, so part of the public was cheering on the bank robber, said Elliott Gorn, a professor of history and American studies at Brown University who wrote "Dillinger's Wild Ride: The Year That Made America's Public Enemy Number One."

"There's something that resonates about this story," he said.

Dillinger's relatives don't believe he killed anyone himself, Mike Thompson said.

Indeed, it was never proven that Dillinger himself killed anyone during his crime spree, Gore said.

"Is he guilty of putting people in harm's way? Clearly. Did he shoot and kill anyone himself? That would be pretty hard to prove," Gorn said.

A turning point in Dillinger's life seems to be the 8½ years he spent in prison after taking his father's advice and confessing to trying to rob a grocer in Mooresville, where the family had moved when Dillinger was a teen. His accomplice pleaded not guilty, stood trial and was sentenced to two years in prison. Dillinger, who the FBI says was convicted of assault and battery with intent to rob and conspiracy to commit a felony, was released on parole in May 1933 at the age of 29.

Israelis, American win chemistry Nobel Prize

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Two Americans and an Israeli won a Nobel Prize in chemistry Wednesday for creating detailed blueprints of the protein-making machinery within cells, research that's being used to develop new antibiotics.

Venkatesan Ramakrishnan, Thomas Steitz and Israeli Ada Yonath will split the \$1.4 million award for their atom-by-atom description of ribosomes.

Yonath, 70, is only the fourth woman to win the Nobel chemistry prize and the first since 1964.

Ribosomes are key to life. They use instructions from genes to make thousands of different proteins that control what happens in the body. Many antibiotics kill bacteria by attacking their ribosomes, and the detailed descriptions by new Nobelists are being used to develop new drugs.

The three scientists worked independently and published their results virtually simul-

taneously in 2000.

"I didn't feel it was a personal competition, but it was a bit of a race," said Steitz, 69, a professor at Yale. "We were all taking separate approaches."

Yonath told Israel Radio she didn't think her gender played a role in her Nobel win.

"It's true that a woman hasn't won since 1964. But I don't know what that means — does it mean that I'm the best woman since then? I don't think that gender played a role here," she said.

Yonath, the ninth Israeli to win a Nobel, works at the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot, Israel. Ramakrishnan, 57, is at the MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology in Cambridge, England, where he went after working in the United States.

Ramakrishnan said he wasn't convinced when a caller from the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences in Stockholm told him he'd won a Nobel.

"I thought it was an elaborate joke. I have friends who play practical jokes,"

Ramakrishnan told The Associated Press by telephone from his lab in Cambridge. "I complimented him on his Swedish accent."

The academy called Yonath a "strong-willed pioneer" for starting on the quest in the 1970s, when most people thought it would be impossible. She, and eventually her co-winners, used a technique called X-ray crystallography to try to pinpoint the positions of individual atoms in the ribosome. Basically, that technique involves showering the ribosome with X-rays and determining how the rays scatter.

Steitz, like Ramakrishnan, entered the field later.

"It seemed to us a bit like trying to climb Mount Everest," Steitz said. "We knew it was doable in principle, but we didn't know actually whether we were going to be able to get there, and we didn't know exactly the route through which we should travel."

Solving the problem was "the most exhilarating moment I've had in science," he said.

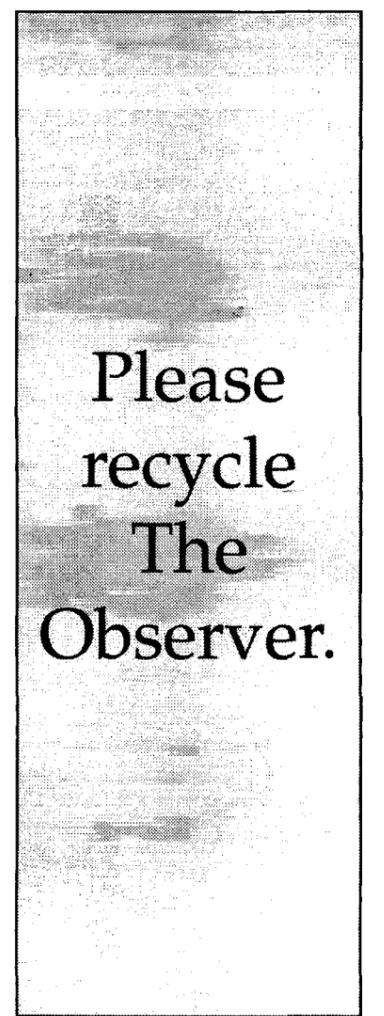
A detailed description of the ribosome is important because it gives insights into how the structure works, said Rachel Green, who studies ribosomes at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in Baltimore.

"You want to know how this machine works, you want to look on the inside to see where all the parts are ... how it's put together and what the implications are of that structure for function," Green said.

On Monday, three American scientists shared the Nobel Prize in medicine for discovering a key mechanism in the genetic operations of cells, an insight that has inspired new lines of research into cancer.

The physics prize on Tuesday was split between a Hong Kong-based American scientist who helped develop fiber-optic cable and two Americans who invented the "eye" in digital cameras.

The literature and peace prize winners will be announced later this week and the economics announcement is set for Monday.



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Taking a stand

As a Viewpoint columnist I often find myself compelled to address serious issues that other people shy away from, it's like my job. Do I get paid to do this job? I am not even sure, I think I just do it because I like for people to hear my opinions on things. But this isn't necessarily important. Issues are important. So without further ado I plan to talk about an issue. Read on and think for yourself about this issue.

Brooks Smith

*Mighty
Morphin Power
Columnist*

Often in the busy 24-hour news cycle stories of real importance to real people go unreported. I am writing to call attention to a crusade that has not received its fair share of media attention in The Observer, this crusade, of course, is the fight for five dollar footlongs at the Lafortune Subway. As nobody seems to be willing to speak up about this I have taken it upon myself to write a public protest.

Of course in the world today there are many great struggles going on. The ongoing genocide in Darfur is one. Our continuing involvement in Iraq is another. Another one might be that we elected a president who is running our country into the ground (I'm talking to you Hussein). Also there are social issues like the high rates of sexual assault. But amidst all these issues it is easy to overlook something of real importance, namely that we are paying slightly more for a certain type of sandwich than other

people do who buy the same sandwich in different places. This is a serious problem.

It's natural that on this campus which is full of activism for various good causes something humble like sandwich prices would go overlooked. But I think it's more than just sandwich prices, this is a question of our rights and thus something that even our Constitution talks about. Now I'm going to throw out a few interesting points to consider about the footlongs.

You know how women get paid 76 cents for every dollar men get paid for the same work? I did the math calculation and people at other Subways pay 71 cents for every dollar that we pay for footlongs, and since 76 is bigger than 71 that means that we're worse off than women. Maybe that is fine for another university but this is Notre Dame, the finest Catholic school in the country. We're not paying \$50,000 a year in tuition to be inferior to women! Not even women would be dumb enough to do that.

Here's something else to consider, for laundry with coins. Does anyone else here have a coin bank? Well I do. You know how much money we would save if footlongs were five dollars? \$1.99. That's almost eight quarters, or 19 dimes, or 39 nickels, or even a 199 pennies. That's a lot of coins to put in the coin bank! I bet I could wash my clothes with the money I saved, though I probably wouldn't have enough to dry them afterwards if I paid with coins.

Here's another aspect of this issue

to think about: food. To live, everybody needs to eat food. But if food is too expensive, how can people afford to eat it? The answer is that they can't afford to eat it, and so they won't eat it. So they'll starve.

I guess the strongest point in favor of making footlongs at the Lafortune Subway cost five dollars is that it's a question of equal rights. The Bill of Rights guarantees everyone in America the same rights, so if we're paying slightly more for a specific type of sandwich than other people do, that's discrimination. It's like apartheid, only it's not in some far-away Third World country, it's right here in America's Heartland. And yet this grave and important issue has gone overlooked by our Observer.

So next time you're out volunteering for an organization that fights sexual assault, or manning the suicide center crisis hotline, or participating in environmental activism, or working at a homeless shelter, keep in mind that there are bigger things out there than the little causes you work for. Jesus said "the poor you will always have with you," and that goes for all the other causes, but this cause is something that affects everyone who purchases a footlong sandwich at the Lafortune Subway. I implore you: Fight for footlongs!

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort."

Herm Albright
German artist

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Solidarity through chastity

While I agree with Mr. Mullen's Viewpoint letter ("Don't ask, don't tell," Oct. 7) I propose that we take his argument a step further.

"DuLac" states that, "Because a genuine and complete expression of love through sex requires a commitment to a total living and sharing together of two persons in marriage, the University believes that sexual union should occur only in marriage. Students found in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary suspension or permanent dismissal."

This policy applies to all students — heterosexual and homosexual. It should therefore be a given that homosexual activity, like heterosexual activity, is not permitted at Notre Dame. However, I find it unfair to condemn homosexual activity without addressing the presence of heterosexual activity, most prevalent in the likewise sinful "hook-up culture." As Christ warns, "How dare you say to your brother, 'Please let me take that speck out of your eye,'

when you have a log in your own eye? You hypocrite! First take the log out of your own eye, and then you will be able to see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye" (Matthew 7:4-5).

Before we judge the actions of our homosexual brothers and sisters, let's take another look at our own. If we are to truly live our Catholic heritage, then we must stand not only against homosexual activity, but also against unchaste heterosexual activity. Let's live the CORE Council's "Spirit of Inclusion" by upholding the dignity of every member of the Notre Dame family — gay or straight — by accepting our universal call to holiness through chastity. Only then can we truly stand in solidarity.

Lindsay Williams
senior
Lyons Hall
Oct. 7

Where is the tea?

I was excited to read Melanie Fritz's letter ("Clause needs updating," Oct. 6) regarding Notre Dame's non-discrimination clause and its failure to address the issue of sexual orientation. She is certainly not the only one to have taken notice of this problem, and that is encouraging in itself. However, Notre Dame's failure to include sexual orientation in its non-discrimination clause is only the tip of the iceberg. Although the Core Council honorably attempts to support GLBQ students, it fails to even acknowledge transgender students as needing support. Further, the University has failed time and time again to officially support a gay-straight alliance on campus. Meanwhile, Core Council's closed membership and lack of true club status (they're a "special interest group") fails to truly meet the needs of those students struggling with their sexuality or gender identity.

This heterosexism also exists in more implicit settings: The University's practice of only offering single-sex housing assumes heterosexuality and encourages the view that heterosexuality is the "default setting" instead of just the more statistically-common orientation. This is not to say that the

University isn't trying to move towards global acceptance. Certainly, the vast majority of students and faculty that I've interacted with are accepting of all people, regardless of sexual orientation. It's telling, though, that the University feels that sensitivity training sessions like CommUnity are necessary. In their current format, they presuppose homophobia among the student body by assuming that students need to be taught how to accept a minority group.

Quite frankly, today's modern generation of students is far more accepting and progressive than the administration might like to admit. Despite generally progressive attitudes on campus, the total acceptance of GLBQ students will never occur until the administration offers its full, sincere and complete support. Failing that, they could at least allow Core Council to replace that silly GLBQ acronym with something a little more open-minded and a little less ridiculous.

Charles O'Leary
freshman
Knott Hall
Oct. 6

Living with integrity

I would like to respond to a letter called "Don't ask, don't tell," written by Sean Mullen, which I read, to my dismay, in the Oct. 7 Observer. This man believes that Notre Dame would no longer "have the right to consider ourselves a Catholic university" should its non-discrimination clause be modified to include sexual orientation amongst its proscriptions.

As a proud, openly gay member of this University, at which hundreds of gay and lesbian students enroll, enriching this community with their abilities, their perspectives, their hopes and dreams, my initial reaction was one of anger.

Confusion was the emotion of the hour shortly after, however, when I realized that this letter offered little in the way of sensible content. The preposterous suggestion that somehow the admissions process should be affected in any way by a person's sexuality merits not a single word to refute it; it's just like a troll commenting on a Youtube video to get a rise out of people. What is most offensive is the idea that gays and lesbians should attempt to suppress or hide their sexual orientation or view their capacity to love as a pathology — which is clearly the intent here, and if I may venture, in the current catechetical teaching, when all is said and done.

My fellow gay and lesbian members of the Notre Dame community, do you believe what this man has to say? Should we cease to live with integrity, to hide who we are as people, to deny that our love is as good as any other love? For surely no one will argue that love which is shamed, denied, suppressed, spit-on, denigrated — cannot fail in its potential to

affect good in. Are you going to allow someone to tell you, justified by their interpretation of the will of God, that you aren't as good as they? To remain closeted creates a deep disconnect in the soul of the person living with such a burden, and to internalize the belief that somehow the way your Creator devised you is abomination, because the world at large is heterosexual and does not often understand, is poison for the spirit. The wishful thinking on the part of policymakers in our country, our University and even in the Church — for the church is both a divine and a human institution — that a homosexual person can thrive and grow morally and spiritually while loathing a part of themselves, while masquerading behind the lie that their love is not the simple purity they feel in their hearts — the judge which rules correctly in all else — but rather the blackest of sins, is simply unsupportable, insufferable. Insufferable, I deem it, in our world, and clearly, in our University, if our integrity is to be upheld. Finally, to all students of Notre Dame, the community which I have chosen, to which I contribute my studies, my views and my heart, I ask: How long will you let this go on in your midst? If you have not experienced the injustices faced by gays and lesbians firsthand, why not? Look deeper, listen; I have faith that you will come to the just conclusion: we are as good as you.

Nicholas Schroeder
junior
Morrissey Hall
Oct. 7

Discrimination?

Sean Mullen ("Don't ask, don't tell," Oct. 7), I am so glad to see that finally someone on this campus is willing to speak out honestly against homosexuality. This University has been far too accepting of those sinful sodomites for too long. Even allowing homosexual men and women to visit campus is an abomination to Catholic morality. What is next, allowing immigrants to teach here? Allowing students who have been ticketed for drinking, petty theft or jaywalking to register for classes?

The admissions process needs a reform. The University should only accept Catholic students and there should be a questionnaire to inform the University of how many sexual partners a prospective student has had, how many illegal drugs and alcoholic beverages the student has consumed and intended visits to Hip Hop Night once admitted. And most importantly, whether or not the student was born into this world by the grace of God as a homosexual — that one is the deal breaker.

Vehemently,
Your Ally.

Martha Karam
sophomore
Welsh Family Hall
Oct. 7

Unacceptable policy

In response to Sean Mullen's letter, "Don't ask, don't tell," (Oct. 7) I would like to begin by questioning how he can possibly say he has nothing against gay people. As students at Notre Dame, I would hope that we know enough about the policy of "don't ask, don't tell" that we would never want to widen the group of people to which that policy applies. To suggest that we subject gay students at Notre Dame to the shameful, condescending and homophobic policy that our military unfortunately still employs is something a person who has nothing against gay people would never consider.

Mullen's letter suggests that we use a "don't ask, don't tell" policy to avoid including gay students, staff and faculty in Notre Dame's non-discrimination clause. I sincerely hope Mullen is not implying that it is acceptable to tolerate discrimination against members of the Notre Dame community who are openly gay. How does that fit in with the Catholic nature of our University? As a Catholic, you should respect the inherent dignity of every human being, and that means rejecting all forms of discrimination. Furthermore, being openly gay does not necessarily mean practicing homosexuality any more than being straight means that you are actively engaging in sexual activities.

Does Mullen believe that the University should exclude unmarried sexually active heterosexuals from the non-discrimination clause as well? While I'm in no way an expert on Catholic social teachings, I believe it is your responsibility as a Catholic to strive to love everyone, regardless of sexuality. It is detestable to try to hide behind Catholic social teachings to justify a tolerance of discrimination when in fact I believe it calls on you to do the opposite.

Mr. Mullen, I'm horrified that you would like to force our gay friends, neighbors and classmates into the closet just because homosexuality makes you uncomfortable.

Andrea Green
junior
Ryan Hall
Oct. 7

Appalled

I'll start by saying that I have nothing against Sean Mullen ("Don't ask, don't tell," Oct. 7). If that's the way God made you, then that's the way you are. Let me ask you, Mr. Mullen: Have you ever masturbated? Have you or any of your friends engaged in any sort of premarital sexual activity? If so, then the University, by your standards, has just as much of a right to discriminate against you as it does against a sexually active homosexual. It has more of a right to discriminate against you than it does against an abstinent but open homosexual. If we delve into the personal and sexual lives of every member of the University's staff, faculty and student body and proclaim that it's acceptable to discriminate against sinners, then who is left?

But getting to the more important point, Mr. Mullen, do you have any sort of idea what it's like to live in the closet that God and society have so lovingly fashioned for homosexuals? Do you have any idea of the amount of unnecessary pain and suffering undertaken by vast numbers of homosexuals because of you and others like you who think they should "keep to themselves?" You don't, and it shows.

One of the many missions of this University is to foster growth and development not only within the realm of the Catholic Church, but within society as a whole. Notre Dame is not a seminary, and the United States is not a theocracy. You'd do well to come to terms with those facts. Your attitude is repulsive and flies in the face of common human decency. Your disgusting and narrow worldview has no place in a discussion about a non-discrimination clause. Another thing, Mr. Mullen, do not give a transparent disclaimer about how you "have nothing against" homosexuals before launching into a nonsensical diatribe about how homosexuals here should remain in one of the most psychologically damaging places that exists in our society. It insults everyone's intelligence and is the oldest trick in the playbook of the bigot.

Chris Doyen
senior
off campus
Oct. 7

By **KAITLYN CONWAY**
Scene Writer

This fall, the Pasquerilla East Music Company (PEMCo.) is putting on a production of "Company," a Stephen Sondheim musical. The show is a series of vignettes about Robert, a man who does not want to commit to marriage but is surrounded by married friends, and how they all struggle with what they really want from life. The show progresses through moments he has with his friends and three girlfriends, all tied into the central event of his 35th birthday. As Sondheim describes it, the characters in the musical are "middle-class people with middle-

class problems." "Company" first premiered on Broadway in April 1970 and ran for 690 performances until January 1972. The original cast was composed of Dean Jones (Robert), Barbara Barrie (Sarah), Charles Kimbrough (Harry), Merle Louise (Susan), John Cunningham (Peter), Teri Ralston (Jenny), George Coe (David), Beth Howland (Amy), Steve Elmore (Paul), Elaine Stritch (Joanne), Charles Braswell (Larry), Pamela Myers (Marta), Donna McKechnie (Kathy) and Susan Browning (April). Jones withdrew shortly after opening night, due to his ongoing divorce proceedings, and was replaced by Larry Kert (famous for his

role as Tony in the original cast of "West Side Story"). He was nominated for a Tony Award for his performance as Robert. Several of the original cast (Kert, Stritch, Franz and McKechnie) reprised their roles for the London run of the show (1972).

The original Broadway production of the show was immensely popular, and received a great deal of critical acclaim. It won Tony Awards for Best Musical, Best Book of a Musical, Best Original Score, Best Lyrics, Best Scenic Design and Best Direction of a Musical. Browning received the Theatre World Award for her role as April, one of Robert's girlfriends. The original production also received several Drama Desk Awards: Outstanding Book of a Musical, Outstanding Lyrics, Outstanding Music, Outstanding Set Design and Outstanding Director.

The play went through several productions, some small and some large. In 1971, it went on tour. The first London production opened in 1972. In 1978, it went off-Broadway in the Equity Library production, running for only

30 performances. In 1980, it was produced by Playwrights Horizons. The show ran for 20 performances in 1987 with the York Theater Company. In 1993, the original cast performed the show twice for benefit concerts. The Roundabout Theater Production ran for 43 performances in 1995. In 1996, the show was revived in London.

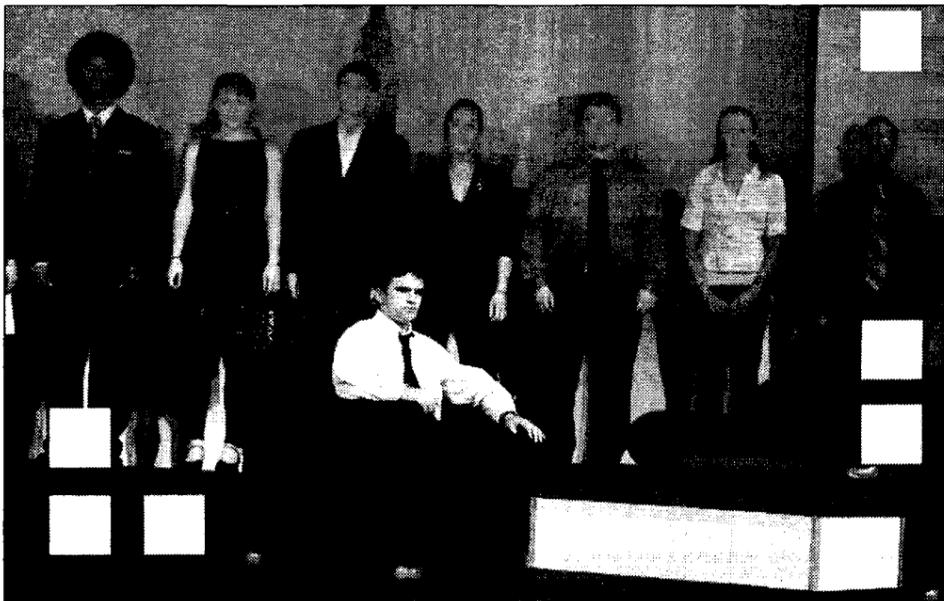
The show is still running from 2001 in Brazil at the Villa-Lobos Theater in Rio De Janeiro. There was a limited engagement of the show at The Kennedy Center in 2002. UCLA also ran the show in 2004. In 2006, the Broadway revival opened, running for 246 performances before closing on July 1, 2007.

The 1995 revival received a few Tony Award nominations but did not win any of them. In 2007, it won the Tony Award for Best Revival of a Musical. The 2006 revival also received the Drama Desk Award for Best Revival of a Musical. In 2008, a filmed ver-

sion of the show was aired on PBS. It was also released on DVD.

Though the show is only 39 years old, it has already had a long and colorful running history. Its message is something that all members of the audience can grasp, as they watch the characters struggle with relationships and what they want out of life. There can be no doubt that PEMCo. will continue to bring the power and punch of this musical to life here at Notre Dame.

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The cast of PEMCo.'s production of 'Company' rehearse at one of the final runthroughs.

By **JORDAN GAMBLE**
Scene Writer

After the huge success of "The Producers" last spring — every performance sold out — Pasquerilla East Music Company (PEMCo.) is scaling down for their fall production with Steven Sondheim's "Company" this weekend at Washington Hall.

The music is less showy, the stage is simpler and there are only 14 people in the cast ("The Producers" gleefully exaggerated all of these). It's also not exactly a happy-go-lucky romp.

"I would definitely say it's different than any show PEMCo.'s ever done before. If you look at all the shows we've done before, it's not a particularly happy musical. It's dramatic, I think one of the most acting-intensive shows we've ever done," said senior Kelly Rice, one of the show's producers.

Sophomore Nick Brandt plays Robert, a middle-aged, middle-class man trying to make sense of the relationships in his life. "Company" is not a typical musical with a linear storyline — it is instead a series of vignettes tied together by Robert's 35th birthday party. The scenes are actually memories, pre-

sented out of order, with the people and events likely skewed by the main character's memory. That means Brandt must play a "real-time," reflective Robert as well as the Robert within the memory—sometimes both in the same scene.

"It's a very difficult character to play. I have to play Bobby as he's acting in the scene and Bobby as he's reflecting on the scene as it's happening," Brandt explained. "There's moments where Bobby is being the life of the party and saying something funny, but then there's a moment later where he's saying something clearly reflective, a piece of dialogue that may not even be directed to anyone. It's kind of this blur between what actually happened and what

musical when it debuted in the 1970s.

"It's not a typical concept of a musical. No basic plot that gets resolved at the end. It's much more vague ... It's much more of a dramatic presentation that happens to involve musical numbers," Brandt explains.

Mastering that music was a challenge, explained the show's music director, junior Mark Wurzelbacher. Steven Sondheim, who also created "Sweeney Todd" and "Into the Woods," is known for bending the conventions of musical theater.

"With any Sondheim musical, the music can seem at times a little counterintuitive, almost," Wurzelbacher said in an e-mail to The Observer. "It's really something that I have to grapple with before I can even begin to teach it to the cast ... It's exciting, though, because it always keeps you on your toes."

Director Brian Davenport, a junior, said that the challenging material and tight schedule (only five weeks) made this a more focused production than most. He and Wurzelbacher had worked together in Farley Hall Players' spring 2009 production of "Assassins," another Sondheim musical. Before any parts were cast for

"Company," the two laid out a plan for rehearsals that would make the best use of their cramped schedule.

"Because we had such a limited amount of time, we tried to be as efficient as possible. I would do scene work, and I would send other people who I didn't need over to do the music. And then it's really kind of fun, because when we do come together in the later weeks it's kind of a show-and-tell thing," he said.

Short on money, sleep and sometimes even rehearsal space, the cast and crew still managed to pull together a difficult show in about five weeks (much shorter than the three-month stretch for PEMCo. winter show. But Davenport stresses that with a student-run production, it's important to find a balance between putting together a good show and having fun. "People do this in college usually because it's something they did in high school and they loved it and it's something they want to keep doing as, you know, a break from the stressful class schedule. For this



Robert, played by Nick Brandt, reflects on a memory in 'Company.'

he's thinking about while reflecting on it."

The disjointed story is what set "Company" apart from the traditional

show, we had to be so tight in terms of scheduling ... Every rehearsal has been so packed ... but it's really coming together. The cast has really come together in a good way, they've all bonded and have inside jokes," said Davenport.

That spirit of camaraderie has kept the student-run PEMCo. growing and evolving for 13 years.

Performances are Oct. 8, 9 and 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets are \$6 for students and \$8 for everyone else, available at LaFortune Box Office.

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"Company," 7:30 p.m., Washington Hall

This weekend Pasquerilla East Music Company (PEMCo.) presents its fall production, "Company." In its more than 10 years as a group on campus, PEMCo. has set the bar very high for itself, producing high quality musicals at least once a year. This year is to be no exception with its production of "Company." With music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, this show depicts the 35th birthday of a man, Bobby, who is surrounded by married couples but cannot make a commitment. Considered one of the first musicals to address more adult issues, "Company" promises to be an excellent production. All should consider going out and supporting these talented members of our community in their most recent endeavor.

Dan Cummins, 10 p.m., Legends

Dan Cummins comes to Legends. This Friday night, be sure to check out the latest in a slew of comedians SUB has worked to bring to campus. Cummins is considered an up-and-comer on the comedy scene, making his television debut a little over a year ago on Comedy Central. His humor is described as being a little "left-of-center" with many jokes relating to his quirky childhood in a small town in Idaho. On his MySpace, Cummins describes himself as "Stand Up Comic for people who don't like Stand Up Comedy. Slam! Chop! Pow!" Hopefully his show will be equally enjoyable for those that like standup comedy as well.

Thao with the Get Down Stay Down, 10 p.m., Legends

Thao with the Get Down Stay Down is a San Francisco based alternative-folk-rock group. Founded in 2003 by lead singer Thao Nguyen and drummer Willis Thompson, the band has been touring and recording for over six years. The band also includes bassist Adam Thompson (no relation to Willis) and Frank Stewart on lead guitar. As a group they toured this summer with acts including Xiu Xiu and Rilo Kiley. Nguyen still performs and tours by herself on occasion. She will be touring her solo act with the Hotel Café Tour this fall. Thao with the Get Down Stay Down plans to release their newest album on Oct. 13th.

"Suspicion," 3 p.m., Browning Cinema

"Suspicion" is the latest Hitchcock film in a yearlong series, "Celebrating Hitchcock," which is being hosted by DPAC this year. It centers on a handsome man, Johnny Aysgarth, who is known to be a chronic gambler and swindler. He meets a young woman, Lina McLaidlaw, on a train and before long they are married. Lina becomes suspicious of her new husband and his true nature when a close family friend is found dead. Starring Cary Grant and Joan Fontaine, "Suspicion" is the first film Hitchcock both produced and directed. As with all of Hitchcock's work, "Suspicion" promises to be an intriguing and thrilling cinematic experience.

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By LESLIE SHUMATE
Scene Writers

"Fame" certainly won't live forever and I doubt you'll remember its name.

The remake of the 1980 film may share the same name as the original, but it lacks the originality and edge of its predecessor. In a pop culture inundated with "High School Musical" offshoots, scores of students singing and dancing their way to stardom simply doesn't bear the same novelty as it did in 1980. To engage audiences as effectively as the original film, "Fame" would have to develop dynamic characters through a compelling plot.

Unfortunately, the 2009 remake doesn't achieve this.

Like the original film, "Fame" follows the trials and triumphs of a handful of students at the New York City High School for the Performing Arts. Musicians, singers, dancers and actors all compete to succeed in the highly competitive school, with some advancing further than others. The talented teenagers face pressure from parents and teachers, rocky relationships, and the bitter reality of show business. Such struggles may spur self-doubt and unsuccessful suicide attempts, but, lucky for us, they are not

talented performers. Naturi Naughton, who plays the character of Denise, is a particular delight to watch onscreen. Her soulful rendition of "Out Here on My Own" is easily the highlight of the entire film. But, with the exception of Naughton, the rest of the cast falls flat in their delivery.

To be fair, the structure of the film makes it nearly impossible to fully develop any character. "Fame" chronicles nine characters' four years of high school in 107 minutes. This doesn't leave much time for learning anything about the characters aside from their names and performance specialty (although even these are difficult to remember).

Hindering things further is a weak, if even exist-

ent, plot line. Other than watching the students' progress from each grade, there is no perceivable storyline. Such an ambiguous plot



and such a vague plot, it is difficult to invest in the characters and care about the successes and failures. When one character is accepted into a prestigious dance company, the audience is too distracted trying to remember her name to really care. And when another character is told he will never have a dancing career, his distress is undermined by the fact that he has not been onscreen since one of the first scenes of the film.

Even with spontaneous lunchroom jam sessions, drunken rap performances and secret singing careers, "Fame" proves to be a disappointingly predictable coming-of-age film. From the opening credits, one knows that the students will learn to believe in themselves and never give up on their dreams. Unfortunately, this story has been told too many times already and there is nothing about "Fame" that sets it apart from its predecessors.

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Fame

Directed by: Kevin Tancharoen
Starring: Kay Panabaker, Naturi Naughton, Asher Book, Kelsey Grammer, Megan Mullally



NFL

Winless Browns trade receiver Edwards to Jets

Wideout being investigated for violating league conduct policy; New York gives up Stuckey, Trusnik and two draft picks

Associated Press

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — Braylon Edwards' arrival was picture-perfect for the New York Jets.

The talented but troubled wide receiver was acquired from Cleveland on Wednesday and showed up at the team's facility shortly after practice ended — just in time to try on his new green and white threads and be included in the team picture.

"It was interesting getting off a plane and rushing right to a team photo," Edwards said, smiling. "The guys in the locker room were good."

Edwards said he felt welcomed right away because he was a target of some good-natured jokes as soon as he walked into the locker room.

"A couple of guys cracked on the pants I had on," said Edwards, who already knows several of the Jets players. "I took that as a good sign."

The Jets dealt wide receiver Chansi Stuckey, linebacker Jason Trusnik and two undisclosed draft choices in return for Edwards, who has 10 receptions for 139 yards but was shut out for the first time in his career in the winless Browns' 23-20 overtime loss to Cincinnati on Sunday.

"I believe coming here to a team that's doing well with a new head coach that has them going in the right direction ... is a fresh start and a clean slate," Edwards said.

Edwards was on his way to the Browns' facility at 7:45 a.m. when he received a call from coach Eric Mangini, who told him to come to his office, where he was told of the deal.

"I hadn't any clue I was going to be traded," Edwards said.

Edwards, in his fifth season, is expected to practice Thursday and coach Rex Ryan said he will start Monday night at Miami for the Jets.

"I think he's going to fit right in with our group," Ryan said.

New York was lacking a legitimate deep threat for Mark Sanchez to throw to opposite Jericho Cotchery, and the Jets believe Edwards will also help jumpstart the running game.

"I've had to defend against him twice a year in Baltimore, and that's not fun," Ryan said. "He is a matchup nightmare."

The former Michigan star and Pro Bowl selection comes to the Jets with his share of off-field issues. The NFL is investigating whether Edwards violated the league's conduct policy following accusations he assaulted a man outside a nightclub early Monday.

Edwards allegedly punched pro-

motor Edward Givens, a friend of NBA star LeBron James, following an argument in downtown Cleveland. Police are also looking into the incident.

Edwards declined to discuss the situation, saying it's a legal matter.

Although Edwards hasn't been charged with a crime, the league's conduct policy states that discipline may be imposed for "the use or threat of violence."

"We're comfortable with adding Braylon," general manager Mike Tannenbaum said. "We'll cooperate with all the authorities, and we're glad he's here. We did our due diligence."

The Jets, off to a 3-1 start under Ryan, were looking to replace Laveranues Coles in the starting lineup since allowing him to become a free agent in the offseason. They looked into former Giants star Plaxico Burress' legal status before the draft, and were mentioned in possible trade talks for Denver's Brandon Marshall.

Edwards' best season came in 2007, when he had 80 catches for 1,289 yards and 16 touchdowns.

"I know he's going to add something great to this offense," Cotchery said of Edwards. "We've got to smile about that because he's a great player and he's going to demand a lot of attention."

Edwards also has taken some criticism over the years for his propensity for dropping passes and lapses in concentration.

"Is he going to catch every pass that's thrown to him? No," Ryan said. "But, he's going to catch enough of them and he's going to make a lot of difference."

Edwards has a year remaining on his contract, but the Jets had no immediate plans to sign him to a new deal during this season.

"I don't want to be a distraction," he said. "All I want to do is play football. They have a machine moving in the right direction, so to sit here and talk about a contract would be pretty petty."

Edwards has been involved in other off-field incidents, but Ryan said he consulted with people he really trusts; his twin brother, Rob, is the Browns' defensive coordinator.

"We're confident with the player on the field and off the field," he said.

It's the second major trade the Jets have made with the Browns and Mangini. On the first day of the draft in April, the Jets acquired the fifth overall pick from Cleveland — using it to select Sanchez — in exchange for New York's second-rounder (No. 52), defensive end Kenyon Coleman, safety Abram Elam and quarterback Brett Ratliff.



Former Browns receiver Braylon Edwards warms up for their Oct. 4 game against Cincinnati. Edwards was traded to the New York Jets Tuesday for two players and two draft picks.

NFL

Crabtree finally signs with Niners

Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — Michael Crabtree is confident he can play a big role for the San Francisco 49ers as a rookie even though he's months behind.

He will get his chances in an offense that could really use him.

Crabtree signed a six-year contract early Wednesday after a drawn-out negotiation process that had some wondering whether the star wide receiver would ever show up this season.

"It's a lot of relief off my shoulders," Crabtree said when formally introduced at team headquarters.

While specific terms of the deal, which was completed around 2 a.m. Wednesday, were not disclosed, Crabtree will receive nearly \$17 million in guaranteed money, according to a person familiar with the contract. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the details weren't made public.

Crabtree headed out Wednesday for his first practice

as the 49ers prepare for Sunday's home game against Atlanta.

"Everybody came to a reachable agreement and it happened," Crabtree said, sporting a red No. 15 practice jersey and charcoal gray sweats. "I'm just glad I'm past that part. I'm very humble right now, man, it's a very humbling experience. Just getting a chance to sit back and better myself as a person, as a player, as a teammate. ... I feel like going through that it made me look at the world in a different way, look at my teammates a different way. Hopefully it will work out for the best."

The agreement was first reported by ESPN.com. Coach Mike Singletary called it a "fair deal for both parties involved."

The former Texas Tech star was the only draft pick who hadn't signed — and even rapper MC Hammer got involved to finally make it happen.

Crabtree could provide the game-breaking receiving threat the 49ers have been lacking,

assuming he can quickly learn the offense after missing all of training camp. The 10th pick overall, he also sat out offseason minicamps and organized team activities while recovering from a foot injury, but was a regular presence at the team's training facility.

Before Wednesday, Singletary had spoken to Crabtree just once since breaking offseason workouts in June.

Crabtree and his agent, Eugene Parker, met with three top 49ers officials Tuesday to work through his contract impasse. Crabtree balked at a long-standing offer of approximately five years and \$20 million, with a reported \$16 million guaranteed. Instead, he sought money comparable to what higher draft picks received.

"We came out of the gate and put a solid offer on the table," 49ers general manager Scot McCloughan said, still unsure what Crabtree's side didn't like about it. "I'm curious to find out because it goes against the norm. Very seldom do you see this."

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Golfweek/Sagarin Men's Golf Division I Top 25

team	previous
1 Oklahoma State	68.36
2 Tennessee	69.11
3 Arizona State	69.34
4 Illinois	69.41
5 Washington	69.45
6 Stanford	69.50
7 Florida State	69.50
8 Oregon State	70.10
9 Texas	70.14
10 Southern California	70.17
11 Florida	70.24
12 North Carolina State	70.36
13 Southern Methodist	70.44
14 North Florida	70.44
15 Kansas State	70.55
16 Michigan	70.63
17 Arkansas	70.55
18 UNLV	70.63
19 Texas A&M	70.75
20 TCU	70.76
21 Georgia Tech	70.78
22 South Carolina	70.80
23 Texas Tech	70.90
24 Chattanooga	70.96
25 Auburn	70.98

Golfweek/Sagarin Women's Golf Division I Top 25

team	rating
1 Southern California	70.55
2 UCLA	70.81
3 Arizona State	71.18
4 Auburn	71.28
5 Purdue	71.52
6 Denver	71.57
7 LSU	71.65
8 Pepperdine	71.75
9 Georgia	71.92
10 Michigan State	71.93
11 Florida	72.10
12 Alabama	72.32
13 Duke	72.37
14 Oklahoma State	72.45
15 Arizona	72.57
16 New Mexico	72.58
17 California	72.63
18 Ohio State	72.64
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22 Louisville	72.99
23 UC Davis	72.99
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2 Juniata (3)	2
3 Emory	3
4 Ohio Northern (3)	4
5 Washington-St. Louis	5
6 Carthage	8
7 Wittenberg	9
8 Hope	7
9 Wisconsin-Whitewater	10
10 St. Thomas (MN)	6

MLB



Philadelphia Phillies pitcher Cliff Lee waits to throw to a Colorado batter as fans cheer him on during the ninth inning of Game 1 of the National League division baseball series Wednesday in Philadelphia. The Phillies won 5-0.

Lee pitches Phillies to Game 1 win

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Cliff Lee pitched like an ace instead of a postseason rookie. Lee dominated the Colorado Rockies, tossing a six-hitter, and the Philadelphia Phillies began their World Series title defense with a 5-1 victory in their playoff opener Wednesday.

Raul Ibanez had two hits and two RBIs, and Ryan Howard and Jayson Werth drove in runs with key extra-base hits off 15-game winner Ubaldo Jimenez.

Lee, the reigning AL Cy Young Award winner, struck out five and had no walks in his first career

playoff start. He retired 16 straight batters at one point until Garrett Atkins hit a wind-blown double in the seventh. Lee lost his shutout when Troy Tulowitzki doubled in a run with two outs in the ninth.

Game 2 of the best-of-five NL division series is set for Thursday with Cole Hamels, last year's World Series and NLCS MVP, on the mound for the Phillies against Colorado's Aaron Cook.

Some questioned manager Charlie Manuel's decision to give Lee the ball over the playoff-tested Hamels for the first game. But Lee made his manager look brilliant

with a masterful performance.

On a day when swirling winds made flyballs an adventure, Lee ignored the elements and shut down the NL's second-highest scoring offense. Avoiding the adventures that come with the Phillies bullpen, Lee mixed a deceptive fastball with off-speed pitches, had pinpoint accuracy and threw 113 pitches.

The hard-throwing Jimenez was equally impressive against the league's No. 1-scoring offense for four innings, but ran out of gas in the fifth. He got chased with no outs in the sixth after allowing nine hits and five

runs in five-plus innings.

A sellout crowd of 46,452 — the largest in the six-year history of Citizens Bank Park — rocked the ballpark, waving their white-and-red "Fightin' Phils" rally towels. The Phillies were 7-0 at home last October and set a franchise attendance record this season.

Werth, one of five All-Stars in Philadelphia's lineup, got it started with a walk in the fifth. He scored when Ibanez ripped a double into the right-field corner. Ibanez's hit fired up the raucous crowd, which screamed "Rauuuuuuuul!" Carlos Ruiz followed with a single to right to make it 2-0.

IN BRIEF

Tebow's status to be game-time decision, says Meyer

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Tim Tebow's status against No. 4 LSU appears as if it will be a game-day decision.

Florida coach Urban Meyer said Wednesday that his medical staff told him to prepare as if there is a chance the injured Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback will play Saturday night in Baton Rouge.

"Is it an advantage, us not telling?" Meyer said. "I'm not worried about that right now. We're game-planning as if there's a chance Tim could play. There's a chance he won't play. That's going to be pretty much the response until the foot hits the ball down there."

Tebow practiced Tuesday for the first time since suffering the first concussion of his career Sept. 26 against Kentucky. He was hospitalized overnight, and there has been much speculation about whether he should return against the Tigers.

Mark Sanchez fined \$5,000 for hit, apologizes to Vilma

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — New York Jets rookie quarterback Mark Sanchez says he has been fined \$5,000 by the NFL for his low block on New Orleans linebacker Jonathan Vilma last weekend.

During Darren Sharper's 99-yard interception return for a touchdown Sunday, Sanchez dived at the legs of Vilma, who was blocking on the play. Sanchez was assessed a 15-yard personal foul penalty for the hit.

Vilma took exception to the block, saying after the game the league should fine Sanchez.

Sanchez said Wednesday that he called Vilma on Tuesday and apologized.

"I said, 'Hey, dude, I don't know what I was doing,'" Sanchez said. He said the former Jets linebacker told him, "No problem at all. I understand."

Bryant ruled ineligible by Oklahoma State for violation

STILLWATER, Okla. — All-America wide receiver Dez Bryant has been ruled ineligible by Oklahoma State, four days before the 15th-ranked Cowboys' first Big 12 game.

The university announced Wednesday that Bryant "failed to openly disclose to the NCAA the full details of his interaction with a former NFL player not affiliated with OSU." Oklahoma State (3-1) said it had already asked the NCAA to reinstate Bryant for the violation of bylaw 10.1(d), which prohibits players from knowingly providing false information to the NCAA regarding a possible rules violation.

"I made a mistake by not being entirely truthful when meeting with the NCAA," Bryant said in a statement released by the university. "I sincerely regret my mistake and apologize to my teammates, coaches, OSU fans and the NCAA."

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MLB

Indians narrowing coaching choices

Cleveland seeking head coach after firing Eric Wedge; hope to have job filled by end of playoffs

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — General manager Mark Shapiro already is narrowing his search for the next Cleveland Indians manager.

Shapiro said Wednesday he is getting closer to a list of "eight to 10" candidates to replace Eric Wedge, who was fired last week. He hopes to have a new manager by the end of the World Series, but that timetable could be delayed if a leading candidate is on a team currently in the playoffs.

Boston pitching coach John Farrell, who served as Indians farm director before taking the Red Sox job after the 2006 season, is among names mentioned as a possible successor.

"We have made no calls to any teams for permission to talk (to their employees)," Shapiro said. "We have made calls to specific guys, but are not limited just to them. Previous experience is helpful, but not a necessity, though it would take a very special guy to be considered without major-league experience."

Farrell, a former Indians pitcher, has never managed at any level.

Shapiro said the selection process will be challenging.

"The perfect guy probably is already doing it somewhere else right now," Shapiro said. "But certain things make good leaders and we have a list of criteria."

He stressed that good communication skills — with the team and the public — along with the ability to build a diverse staff and use it are at the top of his list.

"There's always the usual leadership points — being smart, tough, professional and passionate," Shapiro said. "The new man will also have to understand our situation, be able to develop young players and make good utilization of the bullpen."

Cleveland won the AL Central in 2007, but poor relief pitching was a big reason for a .500 record in 2008. After being touted as a contender this year, the Indians faltered due to injuries and more bullpen woes. The club ultimately traded several of its stars for prospects and finished 67-95 — the Indians' worst record in 18 years.

Shapiro and assistant general manager Chris Antonetti have had numerous phone talks with current and past players, coaches and managers, front office personnel from other clubs as well as media members to get background on candidates. Shapiro said his initial list was closer to 30 names and others may be added as discussions widen.

"There are three or four guys who were not on our radar screen that we will now talk to," Shapiro said.

Though financial constraints have hampered Cleveland from signing certain free-agent players, Shapiro said money likely would not be an issue. Former managers such as Bobby Valentine, Buck Showalter or Bob Brenly likely would demand more lucrative contracts than inexperienced candidates.

Shapiro said at least one manager from the Indians' minor-league system is on his cutdown

list. It could be Torey Lovullo of their Triple-A team at Columbus; Mike Sarbaugh, who guided Double-A affiliate Akron to an Eastern League title; or former Cleveland third baseman Travis Fryman, who led Mahoning Valley the past two years.

Fans calling Cleveland radio shows say former Indians catcher Sandy Alomar Jr., now a New York Mets coach, would be a good choice. Others say bring back shortstop Omar Vizquel as player-coach — pointing out that the only time Cleveland has won the World Series, they were led by a Hall of Famer in such a role. Tris Speaker did it in 1920 and Lou Boudreau in 1948.

Still others are talking up Mike Hargrove, who managed Cleveland to five straight AL Central titles in 1995-99 and two trips to the World Series.

Being a popular former Indians player or manager doesn't carry additional weight with Shapiro.

"We're not looking for short-term popularity, but for a guy who can come in here and win," Shapiro said. "We're looking to have the right guy in place."

NFL

Manning's injury status uncertain

Undefeated Giant's quarterback left previous game with heel pain

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — While his painful heel injury is improving, Eli Manning is not guaranteeing he will quarterback the New York Giants this weekend against the Oakland Raiders.

Manning, who has started the last 82 games, was held out of practice Wednesday so he can get treatment on his plantar fascia, a band of connective tissue that runs along the bottom of the foot and inserts into the heel.

"If I feel like I can go out and play at a high level and help the team and do everything I can do, and they don't have to limit the game plan or say you can't do this or that, I'll go out there and play," Manning said. "I'm not going to do anything that will put myself in harm for making this worse down the road."

Manning admitted his heel bothered him occasionally the last few weeks. However, he never had pain like he felt in the fourth quarter Sunday when he set up to throw against Kansas City and literally had to hop because it so was intense.

"It never bothered me at practice," said Manning, who has led the Giants to a 4-0 start. "It never kept me from doing anything."

Manning had the most basic

treatment Wednesday: electric stimulation and ice. He also was fitted for an orthotic for his shoe. He watched videotapes of the Raiders' defense, went over this week's game plan, planned to watch tape of practice, discuss it with his receivers and then go over his notes.

His biggest concern though was his heel, which he said is improving. Manning said he felt less pain than on Monday and Tuesday and that he was moving around better. He said he was in no pain while talking in front of his locker.

He has asked the team's medical staff whether playing this weekend might make his injury worse. They told him they just don't know.

"As an athlete you know when something is bothering you and when something is going to get worse or not, and I'll make that decision," Manning said.

Wait and see is the way Manning described his plans for both practice the rest of this week and the game.

"I feel like I have been practicing well and playing good football and been in a rhythm the last couple of weeks," Manning said. "You don't want to go out there when you are injured and you can't do everything you want to do and move the way you want, and all the sudden you get

bad habits and bad mechanics and you're throwing the ball differently."

Manning said he would like to practice some time this week, but noted he could play without practicing.

When Manning hurt the A-C joint in his right shoulder early in the 2007 season, he missed practice on Wednesday and Thursday and took only half the snaps on Friday before starting against Green Bay.

"I was probably more worried about my shoulder than this," Manning said. "It was my throwing shoulder and I couldn't even throw when I hurt that. I couldn't throw the ball 10 yards. I know I can throw the ball now, it's the moving around and all the other things I have to take care of."

Giants coach Tom Coughlin said Manning doesn't need to practice to play.

"He will know everything," Coughlin said. "While he is in here today, he will have a [video] machine in front of him. His tape time will probably be as good as or maybe more than a normal week. Yeah, he will study hard."

Veteran David Carr, the No. 1 overall pick in the 2002 draft, would replace Manning if he could not play. He has 79 career starts, but none since 2006 with Carolina.

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NFL

Eagles' McNabb to start against Buccaneers

Quarterback ready to play following bye week after missing two games with a broken rib; Kolb returns to backup role

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Donovan McNabb is ready to pull on the No. 5 gameday jersey, take the snap, drop back and throw the ball downfield.

McNabb plans to start when Philadelphia plays Tampa Bay on Sunday, his first action since breaking his rib in the season opener. McNabb still feels some discomfort and needs a protective jacket to absorb punishing hits.

"You're talking about one of the all-time greats playing quarterback," coach Andy Reid said Wednesday. "Somebody who has been here a long time and when it's all said and done will be one of the all-time greatest to play that position. It's always good to get that kind of a player back in there."

This time, McNabb will have Michael Vick to help out.

McNabb hasn't played since he took a hard shot in the end zone after a rushing touchdown Sept. 13 in a win over the Carolina Panthers. He missed two games before the Eagles (2-1) had their bye this past weekend.

"The bye week came at the right time and gave me an

opportunity to get back out there this week," McNabb said.

McNabb practiced on Wednesday and should have his familiar, and banged-up, running back behind him. Reid said Brian Westbrook also should be able to play on Sunday. Westbrook, who practiced Wednesday, sat out the Eagles' last game with a knee injury.

McNabb still feels some discomfort when he laughs, coughs or sleeps on his side. Extended periods of sitting and standing are also uncomfortable for the five-time Pro Bowl quarterback, who doesn't expect to be fully recovered for another two to four weeks.

"I don't think I'll be going through this deal for weeks," he said. "In due time, it will heal up and get back to 100 percent. As far as right now, it's something you battle with and continue to grind, but it's nothing that will restrict me in any way."

Kevin Kolb, who threw for 327 yards against Kansas City and 391 against New Orleans in his two starts, returns to his backup role. He was the first quarterback in NFL history to throw for 300-plus yards in his first

two starts.

"Kolb really did play well," McNabb said. "The offense really rallied around him. Guys stepped up and made plays for him. That's what you want."

Kolb threw for all those yards even with the Eagles breaking out variations of the wildcat. Westbrook and wide receivers D e S e a n Jackson and Jeremy Maclin have all had turns at QB in Philadelphia's wildcat formation. Vick has been the team's primary wildcat weapon and was the quarterback for 10 plays in Philadelphia's 34-14 win over Kansas City in Week 3. Vick will continue to be worked into the offense, even with McNabb back. Vick was suspended the first two games this year.

McNabb endorsed Vick's signing, but complained during a preseason game that the Eagles' heavy use of Vick and the wildcat formation disrupted the offense. He insisted on Wednesday he was fine with the offense if it

helped them win.

"The fun thing about it is we haven't even touched the surface of what we will do with it," McNabb said. "It's something that's going to benefit us and put pressure on defenses."

Reid said he had no set number of plays that he wanted to include Vick in. The once-dazzling and dynamic quarterback for the Atlanta Falcons is shaking off the rust after a two-year layoff and appears closer to his old self. Vick said on Wednesday he has not talked with McNabb about how they'll be paired and used to their full potential.

"I think it will be pretty much the same six, seven plays per game, go out and make the plays positive plays," Vick said. "Help the team, not hurt the team, which is my motto right now. If I only get five or six plays the rest of the season, then I'm content with that, but like I said, my objective is to win."

Vick and cable channel BET confirmed that the disgraced QB are working together on a documentary set to air in 2010. Vick and his crew started filming when he was sent to prison for 18 months for his role in operating a dogfighting ring.

Asked why he started filming, Vick repeated the same message he's spread at his various anti-dogfighting talks at schools and churches.

"I think its important to show our youth and our kids that you face adversity but you're not responsible for falling, you're responsible for getting up," Vick said. "I'm very remorseful about what happened and what I did. I just don't want other people to go down that path. I'm trying to make it right and repair past damages. That's all I want to show."

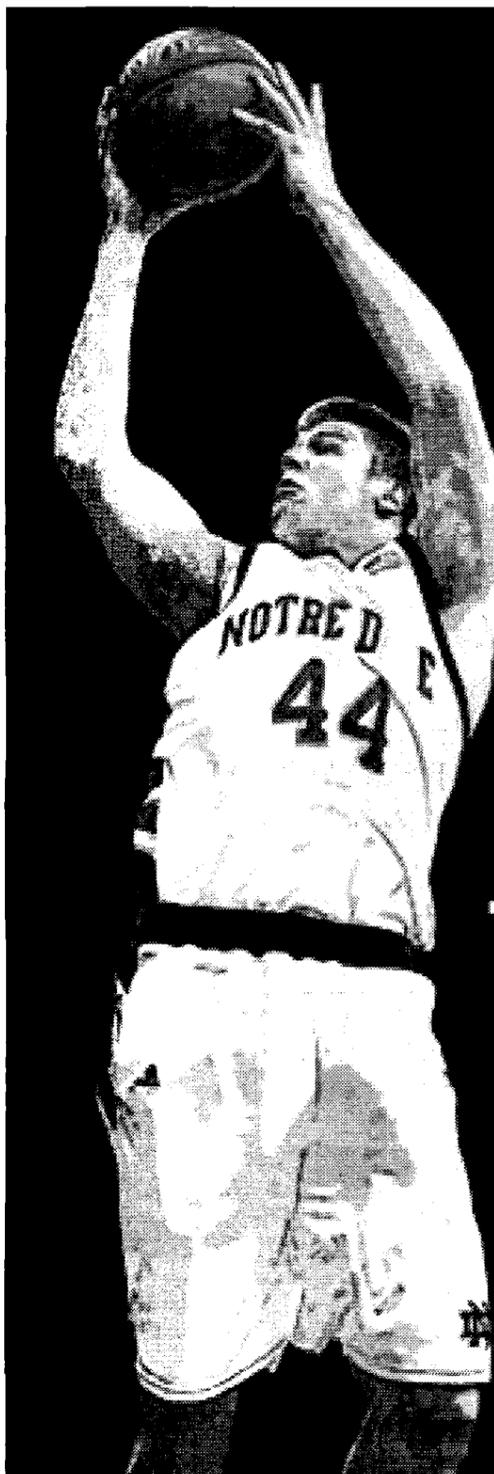
Vick said he didn't think he'd have to continue filming during the football season.

"Some time in 2010 we'll have a chance to put it all together and do the editing," Vick said. "But I have to play football now, which is the most important thing."

And for the first time in a regular season game, he'll get to play with McNabb.

"You're talking about one of the all-time greats playing quarterback."

Andy Reid
Eagles coach



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NFL

Rookie linebacker dies inexplicably

Former Iraq war veteran Fein cut by Ravens after pre-season; death appears to be accidental

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Tony Fein, an Iraq war veteran and NFL rookie linebacker who played with the Baltimore Ravens during the preseason, has died of unexplained causes after collapsing at a friend's house in what his agent said appears to be "an accidental situation."

Fein, 27, an undrafted rookie free agent from Mississippi, was lying face down and unconscious, vomiting and barely breathing when medics arrived at a house outside Port Orchard on the Kitsap Peninsula just before 9 a.m. PDT Tuesday, said Mike Wernet, a battalion chief and medical officer with South Kitsap Fire & Rescue.

The medics put a breathing tube down Fein's throat after he stopped breathing and administered medication, but he went into cardiac arrest during the drive to Harrison Medical Center in Bremerton, across Puget Sound from Seattle, and was pronounced dead at the hospital at 9:48 a.m. PDT Tuesday, Wernet told The Associated Press.

A man and woman who were present described Fein as a friend who was staying with them. They told the aid crew they awoke to find him unresponsive and vomiting.

"They didn't really give us a lot of information about what had happened the night before," apparently because they were upset, Wernet said. "They didn't indicate anything out of the ordinary."

There were no obvious wounds or signs of alcohol or other drug abuse, and nothing indicated foul play, he added.

Kitsap County sheriff's Deputy Scott E. Wilson said a detective was assigned to the case Wednesday because the death seemed unusual.

"We don't have any indication of anything suspicious ... or foul play," Wilson said.

Fein's agent, Milton D. Hobbs, a lawyer in Oxford, Miss., said he knew of no medical condition or previous severe illness in Fein.

"As I understand it, it was an accidental situation," Hobbs said. "As far as I understand it from family members, there's nothing to indicate that he intended to hurt himself."

An autopsy won't be conducted before Thursday and no report will be issued before all toxicology and other tests are complete, likely in six to eight

weeks, said Allen G. Gerdes, Kitsap County chief deputy coroner.

Fein, a native of Port Orchard, was released by the Ravens in their last major round of roster cuts on Sept. 5.

"Tony Fein was a really good teammate, a tremendous American, a tremendous young man ... just a really good person," Ravens coach John Harbaugh said before Wednesday's practice in Owings Mills, Md. "We were proud to have him here as part of our team. We're unbelievably disappointed about the news."

Hobbs said he last spoke with Fein on Friday and since the death had talked with the Fein's sister, mother and some friends. He would not discuss a possible cause of death.

"He was working out and we were discussing football opportunities. That was still his goal," Hobbs said. "We talked about Canada."

Some Canadian Football League teams had expressed interest in Fein before he joined the Ravens but there had been no contacts since he was cut, the agent said.

Fein was arrested on Aug. 23 and charged with misdemeanor assault on a police officer after an incident at a restaurant at Baltimore's Inner Harbor in which the officer reportedly mistook his cellular telephone for a handgun. A trial was scheduled Wednesday, but prosecutors notified Fein's attorney last Thursday that they planned to dismiss the case because of conflicting witness accounts, state's attorney spokeswoman Marty Burns said.

Fein played quarterback for South Kitsap High School before graduating in 2000. At age 19 he enlisted in the Army and spent 2 1/2 years in Iraq as a 19 Delta reconnaissance scout.

He later enrolled at Scottsdale, Ariz., Community College, became one of the nation's top junior college recruits and played for Ole Miss in 2007 and 2008. In two seasons at Ole Miss, he had 136 tackles (77 solo) in 24 games, according to the school's Web site.

"A humble young man," Baltimore linebacker Ray Lewis said. "Our hearts definitely go out to his family because it's such a tragedy for a man to be that young and go through the things he's been through."

NCAA FOOTBALL

Masoli could still start for Ducks

Quarterback's status questionable after injuring his right knee

Associated Press

EUGENE, Ore. — Oregon quarterback Jeremiah Masoli rejoined practice with the No. 13 Oregon Ducks on a limited basis Wednesday after missing two days with a right knee injury.

It appeared that backup quarterback Nate Costa will get the start on Saturday at UCLA. Masoli was scheduled to have his knee re-examined by doctors on Thursday.

Masoli was sacked in the first half of Oregon's 52-6 victory over Washington State last Saturday and left the game shortly thereafter. He was seen icing his knee on the sidelines before returning after halftime wearing his warmups.

Masoli was adamant afterward that his knee was fine, and he jogged to the tunnel at Autzen at game's end. He was also listed atop Oregon's depth chart for the UCLA game.

However, he did not practice Monday or Tuesday, leading some to speculate the injury was more serious. On Wednesday he wore shells rather than full pads.

Coach Chip Kelly would not comment on Masoli's injury. His policy this season concerning injured players is to say they're either out or day-to-day. The Masoli case was no exception.

The ongoing mystery over Masoli's injury is the latest drama to befall the Ducks. The team started the season with an embarrassing loss to Boise State on national television, after which running back LeGarrette Blount punched Broncos defensive end Byron Hout.

Blount was suspended for the rest of the season, but last week Kelly said it was possible for him to return if he met certain academic and behavioral conditions.

Masoli's injury brought back bad memories for many Duck fans who saw their team vying for a national championship when Heisman candidate Dennis Dixon went down with a knee injury.

In fact, knee injuries to Oregon's quarterbacks have caused some to speculate whether the spread option offense puts mobile QBs at increased risk.

Masoli was just coming into his own after a slow start. In Oregon's last two games, victories over California and the Cougars, Masoli has completed 35 of 43 passes for four touchdowns and no interceptions. He has also rushed for

73 yards and a touchdown over the span.

Costa, who has missed the past two seasons because of knee injuries, took over after Masoli was knocked out by Washington State.

Earlier this season when Masoli was struggling with his passing game, fans called for Costa, who is more of a traditional quarterback.

"I'm completely confident in Nate. Those guys battled and competed in fall camp and they're both great football players and if they weren't, they wouldn't be

here, center Jordan Holmes said.

Also injured for the Ducks this week was cornerback Willie Glasper, who will miss the rest of the season because of a right knee injury that will require surgery.

Glasper was injured Tuesday at practice. He had been starting for cornerback Walter Thurmond III, who is also out for the season because of a knee injury.

He finishes his career at Oregon with 65 tackles, one fumble recovery and one interception.



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NHL

Coyotes shut out defending champs

Bryzgalov's 24 saves, Prucha's goal lead Phoenix over Pittsburgh

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — The Stanley Cup champion Pittsburgh Penguins' first bad game of the season was more than that. It was Coyote ugly.

Petr Prucha was knocked off his skates in front of the net but still pushed the puck into the net while down on a Penguins player's back in the second period, and the Phoenix Coyotes took advantage of nine power plays to beat Pittsburgh 3-0 on Wednesday night.

Ilya Bryzgalov made 24 saves, only a handful of them difficult, as the Penguins played a flat, error-filled and uninspired game before leaving on a difficult five-game road trip that begins Thursday in Philadelphia.

"We weren't able to get a whole lot going. There's no real excuse for it, we weren't good at all, but we've got to move on," captain Sidney Crosby said.

Ed Jovanovski also scored on a power play for Phoenix, which is 2-0 with one game remaining on a season-opening road trip that began with a 6-3 victory at Los Angeles. Last season, the Coyotes managed only 30 points on the road, the fewest in the Western Conference, and won successive games away from home twice.

"Facing the defending Stanley Cup champions, it was a big challenge for us and I think we played well," Bryzgalov said. "It's a good turning point for us. The team has confidence right now."

Pittsburgh tried but failed to start a season 3-0 for the first time since 1995, giving little support to Brent Johnson. He made 22 saves in his first start for the Stanley Cup champions, and hardly could be blamed for one of the Penguins' worst efforts under coach Dan Bylsma.

"I don't think our guys went into the game with a lackadaisical effort," Bylsma said. "I don't think they weren't focused on playing. When you don't execute, you're not paying attention to details, and your brain's not focused on what's coming at you and making the right play."

The Penguins were constantly a step behind the play, drawing unnecessary penalties while allowing Phoenix to grab the early momentum and never give it up. Pittsburgh drew the first three penalties, and Jovanovski took advantage of Evgeni Malkin's double-minor high-sticking penalty to beat Johnson with a hard wrist shot from the right circle off Shane Doan's cross-ice pass at 9:07 of the first.

"We had a lot of penalties in first period, and some guys weren't able to get out there and get into it," Crosby said. "As a whole, we didn't play well no matter what they did, whether they were aggressive or tried to close things up. It still comes down to what we do, and we didn't do a whole lot."

Bryzgalov didn't have to make his first tough save until stopping Ruslan Fedotenko's shot off a rebound in the final minute of

the second period. Seconds before that, Malkin was open at the side of the net but fumbled the puck and couldn't get a shot off.

Not much was expected this season from the Coyotes, who are in financial limbo with the franchise's future unsettled. Dave Tippett replaced Wayne Gretzky as coach late in training camp, yet the Coyotes have outscored their first two opponents 9-3.

"I thought our speed and competitiveness drew some of the penalties," Tippett said. "We really fed off the energy of playing against the Stanley Cup champions."

Earlier in the second, Prucha improvised to score an odd but important goal. Skating toward the net, Prucha collided with Mark Eaton and was knocked off his skates, but, landing on Eaton's back in front of the net, controlled Radim Vrbata's rebound and steered the puck past Johnson at 10:47. Pittsburgh's Brooks Orpik was off for hooking.

"I was just waiting for a rebound or a tap-in in front of the net and I fell down," Prucha said. "Vrby tried to score from the goal line and I just took the rebound while I was sitting on the ice."

About four minutes later, Alex Goligoski appeared to score from the high slot for Pittsburgh, but teammate Matt Cooke had been called for interference a moment before and the goal was waved off.

MLB

Yankees victorious in series opener

Sabathia gives up one, strikes out eight in outing; Jeter, Rodriguez drive in runs for N.Y.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Derek Jeter got a big hit, just as he did in Octobers past at the famed ballpark across the street. CC Sabathia joined in the postseason fun. Even Alex Rodriguez broke out of his playoff rut.

It was like old times in the first postseason game at the new Yankee Stadium, with New York beating these tired Minnesota Twins 7-2 Wednesday in the opener of their AL playoff series.

"Just like the old place," Jeter said. "We couldn't have drawn it up any better for us."

After Jeter's third-inning homer off loser Brian Duensing drew New York even at 2, Nick Swisher pulled a go-ahead double down the left-field line in the fourth that scored Robinson Cano from first as the Twins made a pair of poor throws.

Rodriguez had gone 0 for 29 in the postseason with runners on base dating to Game 4 of the 2004 AL championship series before chasing Duensing with an RBI single that made it 4-2 in the fifth.

On a night with sustained winds blowing to right-center at 20 mph, with gusts up to 43 mph, Hideki Matsui followed with a two-run homer into Monument Park on left-hander Francisco Lirano's fourth pitch. The Yankees celebrated like kids, just as the Twins did when they beat Detroit in an AL Central tiebreaker at the Metrodome on Tuesday night. New York went on to win its first playoff game since Joe Girardi replaced Joe Torre as manager after the 2007 season.

Rodriguez added another run-scoring single in the seventh against Jon Rauch following an error by first baseman Michael Cuddyer, with A-Rod's drive hitting halfway up the

right-field wall.

Once the Yankees got the lead, Sabathia made it stand up in his Yankees postseason debut.

"This is what you come here for," Sabathia said. "It was electric tonight."

Minnesota didn't arrive at its hotel until nearly 4 a.m. and appeared to lack the energy that propelled the Twins during a 17-4 finish, which overcame a seven-game division deficit. The teams get a day off before resuming Friday night, when A.J. Burnett pitches for the Yankees against Nick Blackburn. New York will be trying to get off to its first 2-0 postseason start since 1999 against Texas.

Casey Stengel hit the first postseason home run across the street at original Yankee Stadium, an inside-the-parker that gave the New York Giants a 5-4 win in the 1923 World Series opener.

It was Jeter, naturally, who hit the first home run in the Yankees' \$1.5 billion palace, where New York was a major league-best 57-24 at home during the regular season.

"You get a two-run lead quick, and as soon as you go back out, it's a 2-2 ballgame with a homer," Twins manager Ron Gardenhire said. "That's a little deflating."

The captain also got New York's first hit, was on base four times with two hits and two walks, and scored three runs.

"That's Derek Jeter at this time of the year," Girardi said.

New York won all seven games against the Twins during the season, and was 23-3 at home against Minnesota during the regular season from 2002 on, but the Yankees had split four home games against Minnesota in the playoffs in 2003 and 2004.

After getting past the Twins in 2004 and taking a 3-0 lead against Boston in the ALCS, the Yankees lost 13 of their next 17 postseason games. To rebuild their rotation, the Yankees signed Sabathia and Burnett for a combined \$243.5 million.

Sabathia, who had lost his last three playoff decisions for Cleveland and Milwaukee, didn't disappoint. Wearing long sleeves on the blustery night, he got past a 22-pitch first inning and found a sharp cutter. Sabathia allowed one earned run and eight hits in 6 2-3 innings, striking out eight and walking none.

He left with two on after 113 pitches, tipping his hat to a ballpark record crowd of 49,464 that included actress Kate Hudson and rapper Jay-Z. Phil Hughes came in and struck out Orlando Cabrera, one of the Twins' tiebreaker stars, in a 10-pitch at-bat.

Duensing, a left-hander who was pitching for the U.S. in the Olympics last year, made just nine starts during his rookie season but was on the mound following the Twins' busy pennant race run. He gave up five runs and seven hits in 4 2-3 innings.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Team fights breast cancer

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The Irish are fighting for a cause this weekend as they host a "Dig Pink" match Sunday against Louisville to raise breast cancer awareness and benefit the Side-Out Foundation and the Secret Sisters Society of South Bend.

"Breast cancer is something that has affected so many people," Irish coach Debbie Brown said. "Everyone on the team has had someone in their lives affected by this disease. It is an important cause that's close to all of us, especially since it affects women so prominently."

This is the third year that the Irish (9-4) have hosted a match to help the battle against breast cancer, the past two years holding "Dig For the Cure" events to benefit the Susan G. Komen For the Cure group. In 2007, Notre Dame raised \$6,000 for the group and over that amount in 2008.

Not only did the Irish choose to become involved in the battle against breast cancer because it affects so many women, but also because one of their players' mothers was undergoing chemotherapy during the 2007 season. 2008 grad Mallorie Croal's mother was diagnosed in 2006, and after a long fight with the disease, was recovering by the time of the 2008 match.

This year, the Irish are allying with the Side-Out Foundation, an organization established in 2004 to raise money and awareness about

breast cancer through volleyball. Much like a side-out occurs when one team wins a point while its opponent is serving, and therefore recovers the serve and control of play, the group uses the name "Side-Out" to support those fighting cancer and help them regain control of their own lives.

Dig Pink is a breast cancer awareness rally held across the country throughout October to raise awareness and funds. Hundreds of high school and college matches are played across the country to help educate and raise funds to wipe out the disease and allow those affected by it to fight back. A few of Side-Out's goals this year are to raise \$1,000,000 and have 3,000 teams participate in Dig Pink matches throughout the year. So far, they have a total 755 teams participating, including 270 colleges and 471 high schools.

"Each of the players has been asked to try to find 10 people to go online and donate, either a pledge for digs or a solitary donation," Brown said. "They're doing all kinds of things to raise awareness and get people to the match. The more people there are the better it will be. Our goal is to raise \$10,000."

Notre Dame is also partnered with the Secret Sisters Society of South Bend, a group Brown was excited to join forces with her team. The Secret Sisters Society allows low-income women, ages 40-49, to receive a screening mammogram that they would not otherwise have the ability

to pay for. These women all would qualify for the existing Breast and Cervical Cancer Program and receive a mammogram once they reach 50.

However, the Secret Sisters Society believes in early detection and raises funds and partners with St. Joseph's Hospital to help save women's lives by making screening mammograms available to these women.

This weekend, the team will be showing their support on the court by wearing white jerseys with pink letters and numbers. Louisville had their own "Dig For the Cure" match last week and will be sporting pink jerseys on Sunday. Free "Dig Pink" shirts will be given to early arrivals, while pink Crocs and another "Dig Pink" T-shirt will be sold at the event with all proceeds benefitting breast cancer research.

Notre Dame will also be holding a silent auction, and Brown will be pledging \$5 per dig made by her Irish players. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Secret Sisters Society, and online donations can be made to the Side-Out Foundation at: https://www.side-out.org/application/teams/team_page/1301

"Louisville is our biggest conference rival and the team will be fired up anyway," Brown said. "This just gives an extra significance to the match. We'd be excited no matter who we were up against. We think it's a great cause."

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Invite

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Championships in Pacific Palisades, Calif. Frilling and senior Kali Krisik, ranked No. 15 in preseason doubles rankings, will also play in the tournament. The two form a new No. 1 doubles team for the Irish, and Louderback said playing together this early will benefit them.

"It is great for them to get exposure since they haven't played together against the top doubles teams," he said. "It is good exposure for them to get that good competition early."

Frilling will open the singles tournament Thursday against No. 13 Reka Zsilinszka of Duke. Last season, Frilling beat the Blue Devil 6-4, 6-2, when the teams met in a dual meet in March.

Frilling and Krisik will begin the doubles competition facing the No. 7 duo from Tennessee of senior Caitlin Whoriskey and sophomore Natalie Pluskota. Whoriskey and Pluskota knocked Frilling and then-senior Kelcy Tefft out of the NCAA Doubles Championship last spring.

"By playing a NCAA semifinal team right off the bat, it'll be good to see how [Frilling and Krisik] do against that tough competition,"

Louderback said.

While Frilling and Krisik represent Notre Dame on the national level, the rest of the team healthy enough to play will do so on the regional level Friday at the Wildcat Fall Invitational.

Seniors Colleen Rielley and Cosmina Ciobanu, junior Kristen Rafael and freshman Christine McGaffigan will play at the invitational against eight Midwestern teams, including Big East foe DePaul.

"We are taking the whole team [to Northwestern] but [Rielley, Ciobanu, Rafael, and McGaffigan] are the only ones healthy enough to play right now."

The tournament should give the Irish a chance to shake off months of rust, Louderback said.

"A few of them played a little over the summer, but some of them haven't played matches since the NCAA tournament in May," Louderback said. "We use the fall just to go play in some of the individual tournaments to give the kids a chance to get some match experience."

By the end of the weekend, Notre Dame should have some of that match experience, including challenging matches against the strongest competition in the country.

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PRESIDENTS CUP

U.S. favorites as competition begins

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Ernie Els spoke to the state of the Presidents Cup when he sized up the pairings for the opening session at Harding Park and spelled out a best-case scenario for the International team.

"If we can get out tied tomorrow," he said. "I think we've had a great day."

That was a step up from his previous assessment — anything better than its last start would be an improvement. Two years ago at Royal Montreal, the Americans didn't lose a match on the opening day in building a five-point lead, and the cup effectively was over.

Then again, it's been that way for more than a decade.

The International team shows up with mighty credentials — some believe it is the best team of a Presidents Cup or Ryder Cup — yet it rarely goes home with the gold trophy. Its only victory came 11 years ago in Australia. It has never won on American soil.

Perhaps that will change in the role as underdogs.

"Maybe it will take the pressure off us," Retief Goosen said. "And we can just go play."

The eighth edition of the Presidents Cup begins

Thursday with six foursomes matches that were put together by captains Fred Couples and Greg Norman, both of whom conceded they could have done just as well drawing names from a hat.

It starts with Phil Mickelson and Anthony Kim, a successful team at the Ryder Cup last year, going against Tim Clark and Mike Weir. Bringing up the rear is Goosen and PGA champion Y.E. Yang against Justin Leonard and Jim Furyk.

Perhaps the most compelling match is Tiger Woods and Steve Stricker against Geoff Ogilvy and 18-year-old Ryo Ishikawa, the youngest player in the history of this event, and the player with more victories than anyone on the International team over the last year.

Ishikawa is used to the commotion. He played with Woods and Lee Westwood the first two days of the British Open.

"They are going to be very strong," Ishikawa said. "But golf is a game that you just never know what will happen. I'm going to do my best and play hard until the end, and hopefully we can come out victorious."

Couples said the pairings were easy to make, and it was tough to find a dull match.

"With 24 of the top players in the world, you're not going

to get a bad pairing in the Presidents Cup," he said.

Most of those top players are dressed in red, white and blue this week.

Even though the International side has four players with multiple majors — Els, Goosen, Vijay Singh and Angel Cabrera — Ogilvy is the only player among the top 10 in the world.

Seven players have not won a tournament this year, including Singh and captain's pick Adam Scott.

"We normally come here with a very good team on paper, and it seems like this year, some of us haven't played that great," Els said. "We feel like we are underdogs, and I think we kind of want to prove something this week."

They have been loose as ever, and so have their opponents.

The Americans always look as though they are having a good time at the Presidents Cup, perhaps because they usually are winning. The extra dimension this week has been the appearance of Michael Jordan, who is an honorary assistant captain.

He has dressed in a team uniform, smoking his cigar until city officials caught wind of it and asked the tour to remind Jordan that smoking is banned at Harding Park.

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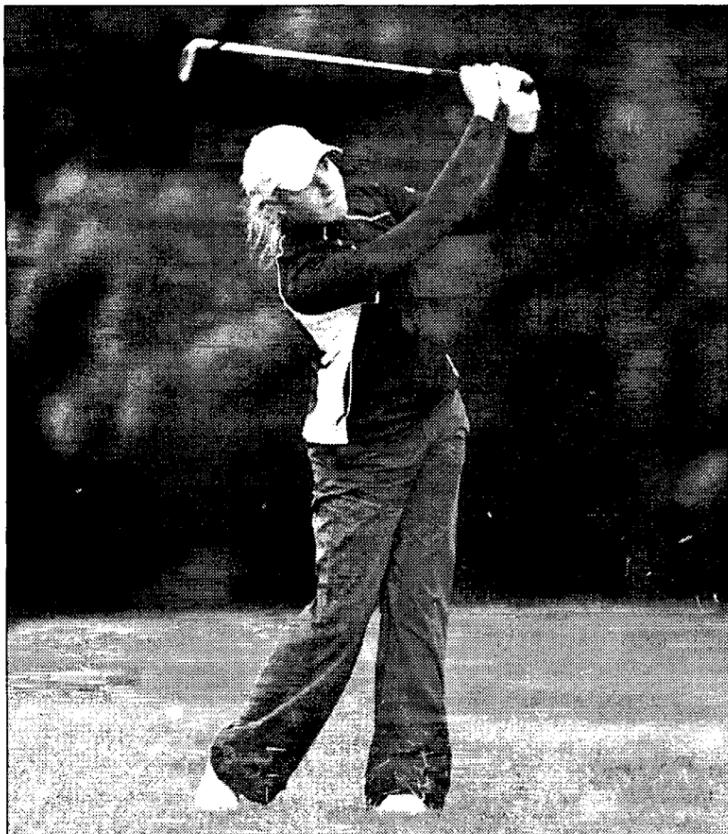
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stroke victory. Tulane and Arizona also finished ahead of Notre Dame.

Boilermaker Maude-Aimee LeBlanc took medalist honors, edging out Michigan's Ashley Bauer by a stroke at five-under. Tulane's Linn Gustafsson and Purdue's

Junthima Gulyanamitta finished third and fourth.

The Irish will return to South Bend before heading to Knoxville, Tenn. where they will face an even stronger field made up almost entirely of top-25 teams at the Mercedes Benz Collegiate Championship, a three-day tournament which begins Oct. 16.

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the half, with senior goalie Andrew Quinn making a save on the only shot on goal by either team, made by Marquette's Robb Ryan.

When the squads came out of the locker room after half-time, the Irish were a different team.

Senior forward Tamba Samba recorded his first goal of the year in the 48th minute to give Notre Dame a 1-0 advantage.

"I think that really settled it," Clark said. "Then we scored a beautiful goal."

That came six minutes later, when senior forward Bright Dike scored his seventh of the year.

"It was a very nice interception by [senior midfielder] Michael Thomas initially, then [sophomore midfielder] Brenden King swung a very delicate curving cross ball and Dike glanced it over the goalkeeper," Clark said. "It was a good goal, very pretty."

The Irish made a total of 11 shots in the second half, compared to just four in the first.

Golden Eagle goalie Matt Pyzdrowski outdid himself with five saves in that second period, without which the game may have become a blowout.

"After the goals it was really just a matter of running out the game," Clark said. "We did have some more chances to really put it away, but the two goals were good enough."

The game was Notre Dame's fourth shutout of the season. In fact, the Irish have yet to allow more than two scores in a game.

"I thought the defense was solid," Clark said. "Who I thought did really well was [senior midfielder] Justin Morrow. He was dangerous and caused a lot of problems to Marquette."

Wednesday's defensive effort was aided by the return of sophomore defender Aaron Maund, who had been away at the Under-20 World Cup in Egypt. Despite having just landed in the States on Monday morning, Maund played all 90 minutes for the Irish. Freshman midfielder Dillon Powers, also returning from the U-20 World Cup, played 20 min-

utes. "Considering they just got back from Egypt on Monday it was good to get them some playing time," Clark said. "They did well."

This type of win is becoming all too familiar for the Irish.

In 11 games this season, the Irish have scored a total of 21 goals. Just four of those have come in the first period, while 17 have come in the second.

The Irish have 93 total shots in the second half, compared with 62 in the first. They have allowed opponents just 48 shots in the second half.

It works — so far — and Clark said he isn't too worried about fixing it.

"It's a tough travel week for us," he said. "We won't really have time for practice between now and Providence. It's more trying to get the boys to recover."

Notre Dame will travel to Rhode Island Saturday to take on the Friars. That game is scheduled to start at 1 p.m.

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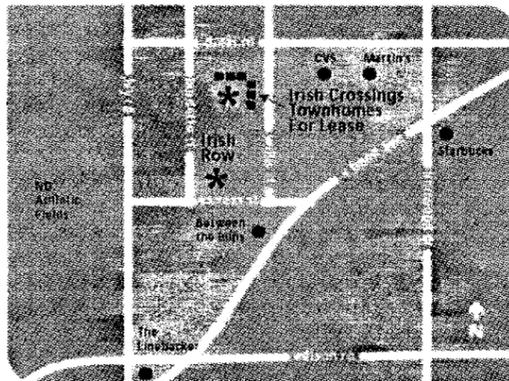
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who has had remarkable success in her first season at the position.

"She's really hit her stride," Curley said.

In preparing for such a strong Purple Weasels team, Badin will reevaluate its strengths and weaknesses.

"Practice is back to fundamentals," senior captain Kelley Daniels said. "We're trying to cause turnovers with our defense ... and build a more cohesive offense."

The Bullfrogs, quarterbacked by sophomore Carli Fernandez, stayed competitive through adversity last week, and the connection between Fernandez and sophomore receiver Ashley Okonta can keep Badin within striking range of any game.

The Bullfrogs' defense will feature the hard-working sophomore linebacker Rachel Cink and sophomore all-purpose player Kelsey Brennan.

"Kelsey's really taken on a leadership role," Daniels said. "She's very valuable on defense."

Thursday's matchup will be a critical measure of both teams' ability to improve and respond to circumstances.

"We're keeping our heads up" Daniels said. "We're ready for a win, ready to get out pride back."

Badin will try for a long-sought win against unbeaten Pasquerilla West at 7 p.m. at Riehle Field tonight.

Cavanaugh vs. Lyons

When Lyons and Cavanaugh square off tonight, both teams will look to put one in the win column after two consecutive losses.

Due to a disproportionate amount of underclassmen on both squads, team chemistry and in-game experience have been issues.

"Because we have a lot of young players, we have been working on developing team chemistry," Lyons senior quarterback and captain Claire Connell said. "We need to make sure we are all in sync on offense and defense in order to play to our full potential."

Cavanaugh senior captain Jessica Mahon expressed a similar sentiment

"One of the challenges of having a team that is comprised of mostly underclassmen is getting them to realize how serious this team is and what the Cavanaugh Chaos is all about," Mahon said.

The winless Lions (0-2) are hungry to end a game victoriously for the first time this season.

"Everyone is eager for a win," Connell said.

Lyons will look to senior quarterback Marie Petnuch to step in for the injured Connell tonight.

"We have complete confidence in [Petnuch's] ability to lead us to a win," Connell said.

Petnuch will face a Chaos (1-2) team looking to turn the season around for a playoff run.

"We are very well aware we need to win out [to reach the playoffs]," Mahon said. "There is no doubt it my mind that we are going to make it happen."

The Chaos look to shut down Lyons behind the defense of senior linebacker Ezinne Ndukwe and junior defensive back Sara Harker.

"Everyone is fired up and eager to show everyone we are

a force to be reckoned with," Mahon said.

The Chaos and the Lions will meet tonight at Riehle Field at 9 p.m.

Ryan vs. Pangborn

The newly-christened Wildcats of Ryan will look to live up to their new nickname when they challenge Pangborn tonight.

In its inaugural year as a dorm and a team on the football field, Ryan (1-1) fields a talented team with a potent rushing attack. This week, senior captain Kenzie Bowen said the Wildcats will look to balance their offense with a passing attack.

"We've really been working on improving our passing game," Bowen said.

On the other side of the ball, Bowen anchors the defensive line. The Wildcats have stuffed opponents using a motto of "team first."

"We're all about the team aspect over here," Bowen said. "There are no one player efforts. We do everything as a team."

The Phoxes (1-2) feature a standout dual-threat quarterback in junior Gabbi Tate. Tate spearheads a precision passing offense looking to deliver the ball to standout senior receiver Meghan Bescher.

"Meghan is one of the most amazing athletes I've seen in my life," Tate said. "If we could we'd have her play almost every position."

Bescher not only lines up in the slot position to receive passes from Tate, but she also takes the snap from center. This shows just how seriously Pangborn takes its football, Tate said.

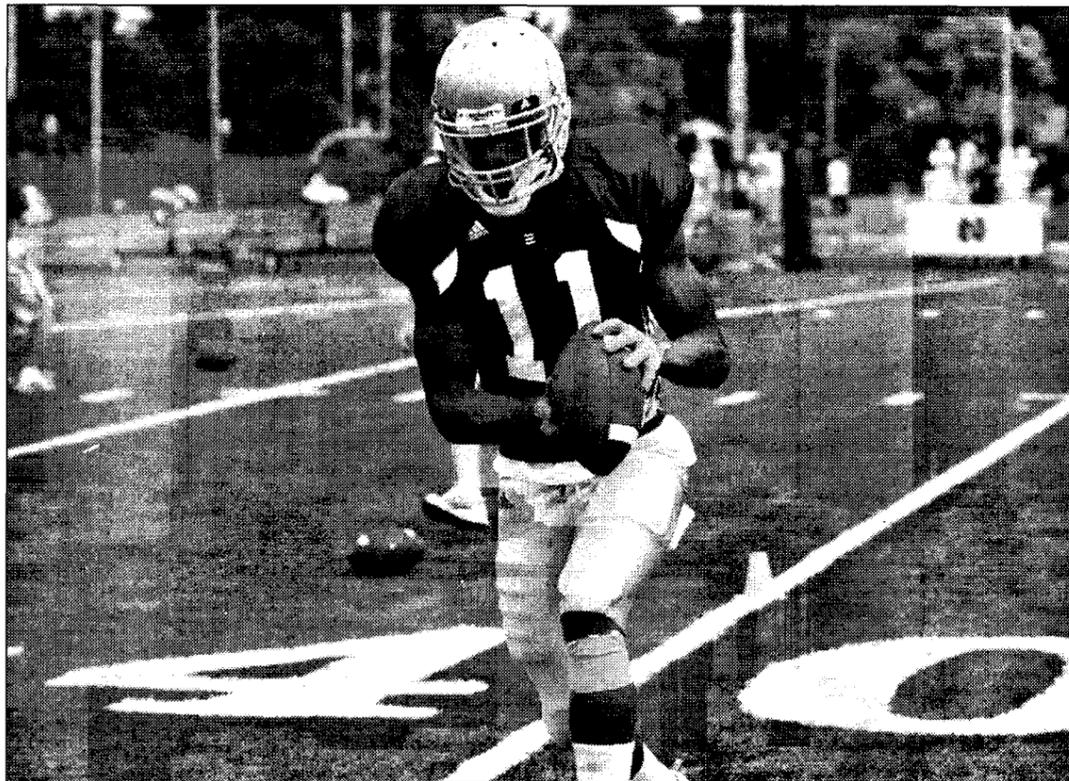
"I'd say we're one of the more intense teams in the league and we're all very excited to make a statement this week," she said.

Ryan also looks to take the next step with their new program.

"This should be a great matchup between two solid teams," Bowen said. "We're going to give it our best and hopefully come out on top."

Kickoff will be at 8 p.m. at Riehle Field tonight.

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IAN GAVLICK/The Observer

Freshman wide receiver Shaquelle Evans makes a catch during practice on Aug. 21. Evans had a career high four catches and 34 yards against Washington on Saturday.

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injury was, he knew what it meant for him.

"I knew it was time for me to step up," he said. "And that's what I've been trying to do the last couple of games."

After no catches against Nevada in the season opener, Evans had two for 15 yards against Michigan, and one for 12 yards against Purdue, before breaking out against Washington with career highs of four catches for 34 yards.

"The first play I got in the Nevada game, I was kind of shaking," Evans said. "But the last couple of games I've gone out there confident, relaxed. When you relax it's easier."

In addition to calming down, Evans said the increased playing time has also helped his development.

"The last couple of games, I've been getting more and more reps, so I'm picking it up even better," Evans said.

Despite the fact that Floyd isn't able to help on the field,

Evans said that he has almost become like a coach to him.

"Even though he's been injured, he's been helping me a lot," Evans said. "Just picking me up when I'm down, helping me line up, and run crisp routes."

Weis said multiple times that after Floyd was lost for the season, it would take more than just one receiver to take his place. Senior Robby Parris, junior Duval Kamara, sophomores Deion Walker and John Goodman, as well as Evans, would all have to step up their games. Each receiver brings something different to the table.

"I just feel like I open up the offense more with my speed," Evans said.

Unfortunately, one of the most memorable plays involving Evans so far this season was one he didn't make, missing a third down pass on an out route from junior quarterback Jimmy Clausen late against Michigan. It looked like Evans didn't get his head around in time to look for the ball, and a catch likely would have sealed an Irish win.

Evans, though, said that he

took the mistake as a learning experience.

"We don't like to blame it on anybody," he said. "But as a freshman I learned that on third down in a crucial game like that, you've just got to break the route off a little early, especially when they have all those people in the box."

He added that, since then, he has been breaking his routes off early on third down, as evidenced by a couple of key catches against Washington.

While every Notre Dame player undoubtedly wants to beat USC next week, Evans has a motivation beyond simply school pride. A native of Inglewood, Calif., he had originally committed to the Trojans before switching to Notre Dame after his official visit to South Bend. Even though he almost ended up on the other sidelines, Evans said there's no love lost for Pete Carroll's squad.

"It's the hometown team, and I just want to beat them," Evans said. "I want to beat USC."

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Huffer, Brophy lead team to fourth place tie in Windy City

By ERIC PRISTER
Sports Writer

In a talented field that included seven teams ranked in the top 25, the Irish were able post a 13-over par 301 in the final round Tuesday to finish in a tie for fourth place with host Northwestern in the Windy City Collegiate Championship.

Coming into the tournament ranked No. 70 in the NCAA, the Irish were looking to make a statement against top competition, and were able to do so, moving up 23 spots in the

rankings.

"We really proved ourselves," Irish coach Susan Holt said. "I told them going in that they weren't the 70th-ranked team in the country, and they knew that, but they were the ones that had to do something about it and they were the only ones who could change it."

The Irish started out strong on the first day of the tournament, shooting a 292 which put them in a tie for third with Northwestern. Notre Dame held strong in the final two rounds, but ended up slipping into fourth, still an impressive

finish considering the quality of the competition.

Sophomore Becca Huffer paced the Irish, shooting even par for the tournament, good enough for a fifth-place finish, the highest individual finish of her career. After starting the tournament with a quadruple bogey on the first hole on her way to a two-over 74 in the first round, Huffer was able to rebound, shooting a two-under 70 in the second round and a team-best 72 in the final round to lead the Irish.

"(Huffer) is just a solid player," Holt said. "She really

stepped up and responded."

Just behind Huffer was senior Annie Brophy, whose first round 69 was the team-best for the tournament and helped her finish in a tie for sixth place overall. Brophy and Huffer have been consistent all year for the Irish, leading the team in stroke average and average finish and are the only two golfers on the Notre Dame squad to shoot at or below par so far this year.

"(Brophy) and (Huffer) really stepped it up and played great," Holt said. "They had a really good feel, and their solid

play just gives us that extra confidence we need."

Also scoring in the last round for the Irish were juniors Katie Conway and So-Hyun Park, who finished in a tie for 35th place and 66th place, respectively.

"It was a good solid team performance," Holt said. "They went out and did what they had to do."

Purdue dominated the tournament throughout, shooting a nine-under 279 in the first round on their way to a 14-

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FOOTBALL

Instant impact

Freshman Evans steps up after Floyd injury

By SAM WERNER
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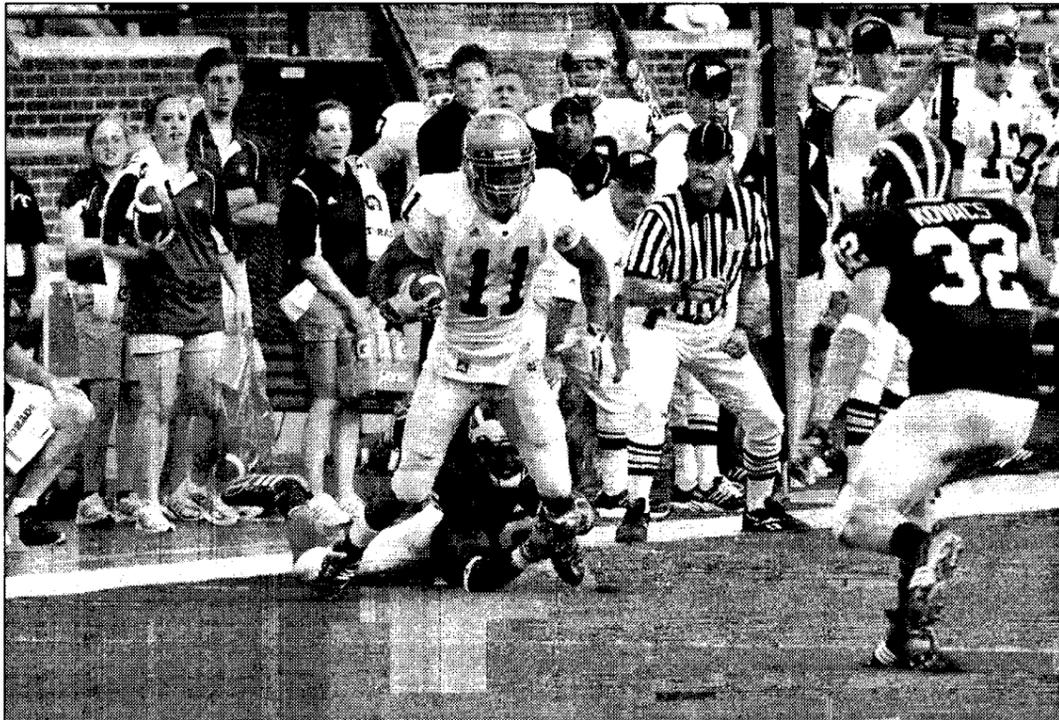
Heading into this season, there were plenty of positions where Notre Dame was going to have to rely on younger players to step up. But wide receiver? With Michael Floyd and Golden Tate, that position seemed locked down.

Well, one broken clavicle thrust freshman Shaquelle Evans into the spotlight as a player the Irish would rely on in 2009.

"You can anticipate seeing [Evans] a heck of a lot more," Irish coach Charlie Weis said after Floyd's injury.

Evans said he found out about Floyd's injury in a team meeting and, after the initial shock of how serious the

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QUENTIN STENGER/The Observer

Freshman wide receiver Shaquelle Evans tries to break a tackle against Michigan during the 38-34 Irish loss to the Wolverines on Sept. 12. Evans had his first career catch in the game.

ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish open season at Fall Invite

By DOUGLAS FARMER
Sports Writer

After playing each other for the past month, the Irish will finally see some outside competition this weekend as two members of the team head to California while the rest of the team plays in the Wildcat Fall Invitational at Northwestern.

"We have been practicing for a month now, playing just each other," Irish coach Jay Louderback said. "It is time to get out and play some other teams and see some other types of games."

Ranked at No. 20 in the pre-season polls, Sophomore Kristy Frilling will compete in the singles tournament at the Riviera/ITA All-American

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MEN'S SOCCER

ND shuts out Marquette 2-0

By LAURA MYERS
Sports Writer

The Irish might benefit from playing a 45-minute scrimmage before the start of each game. After all, it's the second 45 minutes when they consistently shine.

Notre Dame (6-4-1, 4-2-0 Big East) scored both its goals in the second half for a 2-0 victory over struggling Marquette (2-6-2, 1-3-2) Wednesday in Wisconsin.

"It was a very good second half," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "I thought the first half we played very well. It's hard at the opposing stadium."

The game was a 0-0 tie at

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GRACE KENESEY/The Observer

Senior Bright Dike lines up a shot against Cincinnati on Sept. 27. Dike scored the second goal in the Irish's 2-0 win Wednesday.

WOMEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL

Undefeated Weasels face off against Badin

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Pasquerilla West completed the first half of its season undefeated and will be pursuing perfection when it begins the second half of the year against Badin tonight. The Bullfrogs (0-2) are coming off a disappointing 29-6 loss to Walsh Sunday.

Last week the Purple Weasels (3-0) routed Cavanaugh 30-6 with dominant play on both sides of the ball.

"The key is not to fall into a

midseason comfort level," senior captain Cynthia Curley said. "We're keeping the intensity up."

The Purple Weasels' defense expects big plays out of sophomore safety Alison Lindeen, who finished the rout against the Chaos with two interceptions. Lindeen is joined on the defense by sophomore lineman Susan Bruno, a force that has sacked the quarterback at least once every game this season.

The Pasquerilla West offense will be led by junior quarterback Simone Bigi,

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