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## Missing soldier, wife of ND grad found

Newly-married Air Force major returns to family, friends after ordeal in Kyrgyzstan

By JOE PIARULLI  
News Writer

U.S. Air Force Captain Joshua Mayo, Notre Dame Class of 2002, was looking forward to his honeymoon in Jamaica when he heard the dismaying news.

Married on April 8 of this year, Mayo was expecting his new wife, U.S. Air Force Major Jill Metzger, to return home this September.

Instead, on Sept. 5, Metzger

was reported missing in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.

Mayo's close friend and Class of 2002 graduate Maren Diamante said she got a call from Mayo that day. The news came as a complete shock.

"I had no words, I couldn't

even think," she said. "[Mayo] was obviously very upset."

Diamante had only met Metzger recently, but was left with a strong impression.

"I actually only met Jill when I went to their wedding in April, and she's a fabulous girl," she said. "She's beautiful and incredibly nice."

Diamante found the details of the story confusing and difficult to follow during the days Metzger was missing — a situation partially due to problems with translation and communi-

cation between Kyrgyz officials and U.S. officials and media outlets.

"I tried following it through the media and through the papers, but nobody could seem to get any sort of story straight," she said. "There was no clear idea of what was happening."

Metzger's father, John Metzger, told the Associated Press he was hoping and praying for her return.

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## St. Mary's introduces new major

Italian major expands on current program

By VALERIE KORNFIELD  
News Writer

After decades of Saint Mary's students spending a semester abroad in Rome, a piece of the country is finally coming to the College with the institution of a new Italian major.

According to Peter Checca, counselor for Saint Mary's Rome Program, the Italian major has been a long time coming. The Rome Program has been in place since 1970, and with strong courses in Italian offered both home and abroad, the main impediment to introducing an Italian major was the shortage of personnel, Checca said.

An initial step to remedying to this problem came six years ago, when Umberto Taccheri joined the ranks of Saint Mary's professors of Italian.

The driving force behind the inception of the new major was, however, the students themselves, who continued "asking, inquiring [and] demanding" that it be made available, said Checca. Two especially instrumental students were former Rome Program attendees Jessica Sloan, class of 2005 and Maria Francesca Muscarello, class of 2006, who put together surveys of the first-year students studying Italian and of the returnees from the Rome Program.

These surveys showed wholehearted support of the Italian major, Checca said, especially from those who had already

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## University develops off-campus

Faculty, staff members purchase recently constructed homes on Notre Dame Avenue

By MARY KATE MALONE  
News Editor

While the University moves forward with major construction projects on-campus, it has been quietly extending its reach into the neighborhood just south of Notre Dame's boundaries.

The stately new homes lining Notre Dame Avenue are housing Notre Dame faculty and staff and their families, who purchased the lots from the University.

With their manicured lawns, spacious porches and fresh paint, the new homes are evidence of a redevelopment effort taking place in a neighborhood previously riddled with dilapidated homes.

The University's Department of Asset Management has been directing the purchase of properties along Notre Dame Avenue and selling them to

faculty and staff under the condition that the buyers will build a new home fitting certain architectural guidelines.

The University has acquired property off-campus since the late '80s, but only in the last four years has it started selling the properties to full-time faculty and staff, said Vice President for Business Operations Jim Lyphout.

In the last four years, 17 properties on Notre Dame Avenue have been sold to full-time faculty or staff members. Of those, 15 were empty lots and two were houses that needed to be rehabilitated.

Two more properties are currently available on St. Peter Street as well — one is an empty lot and the other is a house that needs to be rehabilitated.

The University's housing effort, known as the Notre

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## COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

### Members discuss student issues



Chief executive officer Liz Brown, left, Student body president Lizzi Shappell, center and vice president Bill Andrichik led Tuesday's meeting.

By KATHLEEN MCDONNELL  
News Writer

A reduced wait time before pep rallies, work on the disorderly house ordinance and a new club promoting interracial awareness were among the topics of discussion at Tuesday's Council of Representatives (COR) meeting in LaFortune.

In response to last week's discussion surrounding racial insensitivity, student body president Lizzi Shappell brought in senior Chris Wagner to talk to COR members about the new club, Sustained Dialogue.

Sustained Dialogue's goal is to "get people from different

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## Conference to address eating disorders issues

By MARCELA BERRIOS  
News Writer

Saturday Night Live may poke fun at a suspiciously thin Nicole Richie — and everywhere, viewers enjoy the jokes — but in reality the subject of anorexia and other eating disorders is no laughing matter.

That is precisely why Student Body President Lizzi Shappell and the Student Senate Gender Issues Committee, who are taking this matter very seriously, are organizing a three-day conference in February that will address eating disorders at Notre Dame.

Valerie Staples, Coordinator for Eating Disorder Services at

the University Counseling Center, says that up to 17 percent, or roughly 150 of all students who go in seeking guidance are afflicted with eating concerns such as anorexia, bulimia, binge eating disorder and muscular dysmorphia.

These figures do not take into account those students who deal with eating disorders in private and don't go to the UCC for help.

Junior Ashley Weiss, chair of the Gender Issue Committee, said one of the conference's most important objectives is to create awareness among administrators and faculty members who seem reluctant to address an issue that affects so

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INSIDE COLUMN

Saturday  
sell-outs

I woke up Tuesday morning to perform one of the proudest deeds of my life. Since I'll be covering Saturday's game from the press box, I told my dad that I would exchange my student ticket for a regular admission ticket with which he could enter the game. No big deal. You know, just a little thanks for the 21 years of lessons he's taught me about the value of hard work, integrity and the importance of Notre Dame football.

He's not an alumnus. Actually, he graduated from Ohio State. Before you start booing, I must say I'd never seen a man so sad to see his alma mater win when the Buckeyes defeated the Irish in '95 and '96. In our house there was never any question as to allegiances: God, Country, Notre Dame. The way it should be.

Not to mention, he really hates Michigan.

Everyone has a favorite part in 'Rudy.' For many, it's when Rudy reads his acceptance letter by the lake. Sure, my eyes start to well, but the tears don't really start to flow until the next scene — when Rudy comes home to tell his dad the good news.

"My son's going to Notre Dame. You hear that my son's going to Notre Dame." Every time, I realize how proud my own dad is of me and the "charmed life" I've been living in a place Jim Caveizel told me at halftime last Saturday "is heaven."

But amid all the excitement, sometimes he's got to wonder what it'd like to be me. So I was going to give him that chance — and more importantly, that third ticket he needed to bring my two brothers (one still studying at Ohio State — we REALLY hate Michigan) to the game this Saturday.

But when I got to the Joyce Center at 8:30 a.m., I was informed that in less than two hours, 300 shameless students already exchanged their tickets — most, no doubt, to turn around and illegally sell to the highest bidder at upwards of \$400.

At a university founded on a relentless Notre Dame spirit so embodied by our storied football team over the ages, I hadn't fathomed the possibility that so many schmucks that chose to attend this school would rather whore out their treasured place in this community that they apparently don't deserve than to participate in one of its most inspiring traditions.

Notre Dame continues to police for those who scalp tickets for profit because taking advantage of one's privileged position for monetary gain is antithetical to the goals of this Catholic institution. Unfortunately, they're not the ones failing us. They're not the ones who cleared them through admissions.

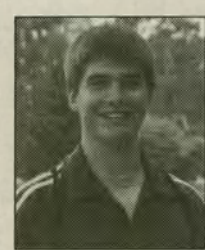
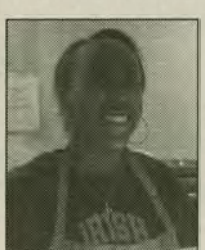

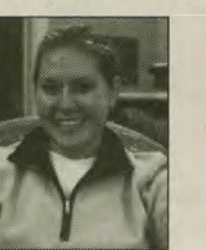


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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE DINING HALL ALTERNATIVE?

					
<b>Ben Queen</b> freshman Stanford	<b>Cymone Wilson</b> junior Welsh Family	<b>Denise Pineda</b> sophomore BP	<b>Erin Smith</b> senior off-campus	<b>Michael Devitt</b> senior Dillon	<b>Sean Salinas</b> senior Morrissey
"Subway's the best alternative because it's close to my dorm and it's good food."	"Sbarro's because they put pepperoni on everything!"	"My most favorite thing in the world is my grandmother's cooking."	"Buen Provecho because it's really cheap and the lines are usually short. Oops. I guess the secret's out."	"Subway because it's not as fattening as Burger King."	"Golden Dragon, but their drivers can't drive worth a lick."



The Men of Morrissey battle it out at the Morrissey Hall Section Football Championship Tuesday night at McGlinn Fields. The game lasted nearly two hours and went into quadruple overtime.

OFFBEAT

10 stingrays killed since Irwin's death

SYDNEY, Australia — At least 10 stingrays have been killed since "Crocodile Hunter" Steve Irwin was fatally injured by one of the fish, an official said Tuesday, prompting a spokesman for the late TV star's animal charity to urge people not take revenge on the animals.

Irwin died last week after a stingray barb pierced his chest as he recorded a show off the Great Barrier Reef.

Stingray bodies since have been discovered on two beaches in Queensland state on Australia's eastern coast.

Two were discovered Tuesday with their tails lopped off, state fisheries department official Wayne Sumpton said.

Michael Hornby, the executive director of Irwin's Wildlife Warriors conservation group, said he was concerned the rays were being hunted and killed in retaliation for Irwin's death.

Police embarrassed by porno film

MADRID, Spain — Spanish police officers settling in for a video presentation on how to get promoted to sergeant were instead shown footage from a hard-

core pornographic film, officials said Tuesday.

Howling laughter rippled through the auditorium where 120 Madrid city police officers had gathered Monday to see the video on operations at an academy where they are to study, the Madrid regional justice and interior ministry said.

A ministry official said computer technicians have blamed the glitch on a Trojan Horse computer virus that activated when the computer containing the video was turned on.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Dalloway's Board will host "Wheel of Fortune," a student run game show, today from 8 to 9 p.m. at Dalloway's Clubhouse on the campus of Saint Mary's.

An exhibit entitled "Caras Vernos, Corazones No Sabernos: The Human Landscape of Mexican Migration to the United States" is on display at the Snite Museum of Art until Nov. 12. Museum hours vary by day. Admission is free.




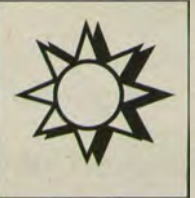


Actors from the London Stage will perform "Hamlet" in Washington Hall at 7:30 p.m. from today until Friday. Tickets are \$18 for the general public, \$16 for seniors/Notre Dame faculty and staff and \$12 for students, and are available for purchase through the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center ticket office.

"Let Your Sister Pick Your Mister" social mixer will take place on Thursday from 8 p.m. to 11 in the Saint Mary's student center ballroom. Admission is \$5 per couple.

Saint Mary's will celebrate Constitution Day on Thursday with a panel on "The War on Terror, National Security, and Civil Liberties," from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 in the West Wing of the Dining Hall.

Former U.S. Rep. Tim Roemer will present a talk titled "Safeguarding America: National Security in the 21st Century" on Thursday at 7 p.m. in the DeBartolo Hall auditorium.

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

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CORRECTIONS

Due to a reporting error, the article "ND Cross Country: Irish start season with win as men take first at Valparaiso" in the Sept. 11 edition of The Observer failed to mention the fourth medalist for the women's cross country team, Becca Bauman, who finished in ninth place. The Observer regrets this error.



# Webcams transmit images of campus

## Cameras send views of quads and buildings

Special to The Observer

It used to be that if you wanted to "reach out and touch someone," you used the telephone, e-mail or, even (gasp!), snail mail.

Today, there's another way to make contact from the Notre Dame campus, courtesy of a collection of cameras that broadcast images on the World Wide Web. They have a loyal following in cyberspace, where people check regularly for campus views, keep an eye on loved ones, or catch a glimpse of the weather.

"A lot of people use them for weather if they're stuck in a basement office or an office that doesn't have a window," said Wes Evard, the photographic/multimedia specialist who manages the Webcams for the University's Office of Information Technologies (OIT).

Beyond knowing whether to pack an umbrella, the cameras also have become popular as a way to keep in touch with off-campus friends and family.

"Godspeed, Capt. Jeff DeBerry and all military deployed. Go Irish!" read a sign held up to the Webcam in the Engineering Learning Center. Evard recalls one stu-

dent from England who would stand in one particular spot and wave to her "Mum" back home every day.

E-mails from parents confirm the value of just a quick peek of campus, with or without a student in the frame.

"It makes me feel a little closer to my daughter to be able to see the campus live," writes one mother of a freshman. "It is comforting to see the Quad when I am missing my son," says another.

Jeffrey Miller, manager of videoconferencing resources in OIT and himself the father of a new college freshman, understands the benefit to parents of catching a regular glimpse of their child.

"Just to be able to see her and know she's okay," he said. "I can talk to her anytime, but it's good to actually see her."

Images from the cameras are available via the "Visitors" link on the University's main Web page (<http://www.nd.edu/>) by clicking on "Dome Cam" in the box marked "Virtual Campus" in the lower left-hand corner.

There, viewers get a bird's-eye view from each of 10 campus Webcams, which update every two minutes. Visitors to the Webcam site most frequently check the views of the Golden Dome and Basilica of the Sacred Heart; the North, South and DeBartolo Quads follow in popularity.

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many students from both sexes.

"As a transfer student, I know I was surprised with the way eating disorders and body images disorders are present among the Notre Dame student population," Weiss said. "I'm used to finding vomit on the toilets in my dorm, or seeing girls wake up obsessively at 6 am to go running."

Senior Kevin Gimber, Co-chair of the Gender Issues Committee, knows that female students aren't the only ones struggling.

"Guys have their own issues too," he said. "I've seen guys get together to measure their biceps, and modify their eating habits and go to the gym at all hours of the day to get bigger. They may not be prime candidates for anorexia or bulimia, but they certainly have other kinds of body image disorders that require attention."

Weiss and Gimber said the first thing that needs to happen to really tackle these problems is the identification of the circumstances and the environment that leads to the development of eating disorders in college students.

Shappell said the conference

will take a comprehensive outlook towards eating disorders, by taking "both an academic and [a] practical approach, addressing first what creates an environment conducive to eating disorders from a sociological, biological and psychological perspective."

The organizers said they hope bringing these conditions to light will encourage the University to dedicate more resources to the research of eating disorders among college students.

Another key organizer of the event, senior Allison Wishon, is currently in Washington D.C. at

*"We tend to trivialize eating disorders and view them as superficial, but for the people who have them they are actually coping mechanisms to deal with the pressures of life."*

**Valerie Staples**  
coordinator for eating disorder services

a national panel about eating disorders in preparation for this winter's conference. "I am going to D.C. to determine who the leaders in the field of eating disorder research are, and what they feel the 'hot topics' in this research are, and to make connections with individuals at other universities who are doing the same work," Wishon said.

The speakers for the conference in February are yet to be determined, but organizers are narrowing down the list of candidates, which include renowned medical experts, published authors and psychologists from different back-

grounds, including Harvard Medical School.

"It's important for everybody to get out of the mindset that eating disorders are just about weight and body images," Staples said. "We tend to trivialize eating disorders and view them as superficial, but for the people who have them they are actually coping mechanisms to deal with the pressures of life."

Freshman Bridget Mahoney saw this happen to one of her male friends.

Mahoney said her friend had recently faced romantic problems, and in the last year he lost roughly 50 pounds.

"He's over six feet tall and his wrists are smaller than mine. It's really scary," she said. "The worst thing is that he's in complete denial about being bulimic — even when it has gotten to the point where he doesn't need to gag himself to throw up because he does it so often it's normal for him now."

Besides heartaches, Staples also said students in highly competitive universities like Notre Dame often have difficulty learning how to balance academics, athletics and their social lives — and they may sometimes turn to unhealthy eating habits to release some of the stress they are experiencing.

Pennsylvania State University and Brigham Young University already sponsor seminars and events that address these issues, but Shappell said this would be first time undergraduate students take the initiative to work on a conference of this kind.

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## Concession Stand Training

### Part 1: Food Service Training

Thursday \*\*September 14th \*\*5pm

### Part 2: Manager Training

Thursday \*\*September 14th \*\*5:30pm

LaFortune Student Center Ballroom

\*At least two members of all groups must attend Food Service Training. (Manager can attend and count as one of the two)

\*At least one member of group must attend Manager Training. (Manager does not have to attend Food Service Training)

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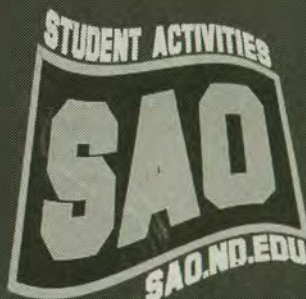
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Dame Avenue Housing Program, is one component of an extensive rehabilitation program driven by the Northeast Neighborhood Revitalization Organization, which was developed in 2003 and 2004, said Gregory Hakanen, Director of the Department of Asset Management.

Notre Dame is one of five institutional sponsors of the NNRO, which seeks to revitalize the area that stretches from the edge of campus south to South Bend Avenue, west to Hill Street and east to the edge of Notre Dame woods.

"When you look at the overall redevelopment plan for the neighborhood, by no means is it just Notre Dame," Hakanen said. "It's the city, it's other local institutions, it's residents ... getting together to plan for redevelopment of the neighborhood."

The Notre Dame Housing Program focuses on just one zone within that area — covering Notre Dame Avenue, Frances Street and St. Peter Street.

The program is popular among faculty and staff, Hakanen said, and his office already has a waiting list of faculty and staff interested in purchasing a lot from the University. Likewise, his office

is always looking out for potential properties to purchase.

"There are still several properties we'd like to acquire," Hakanen said, noting that sometimes his office will approach property owners who appear to be interested in selling.

"What happens is if a 'For Rent' sign goes up in the window, we might say 'Hey, is it time to sell your property?'"

Lyphout said that in the years since the University began purchasing and re-selling properties on Notre Dame Avenue, residents in the area have been largely receptive to the idea.

"People learned that the University is interested in that area [on and

around Notre Dame Avenue] and many times they call my office and let us know that they were going to sell their home," Lyphout said.

If the University can purchase the home for its appraised value, they might "strike a deal" with the homeowner, Lyphout said.

Specific architectural requirements for the new homes vary from house to house, Hakanen said, but the goal for each new home is the same.

"We want the homes to look like they've been there and fit the architecture of the homes in that neighborhood," Lyphout said.

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"We've got a prayer chain all the way across the nation, and it's our hope that God will return her safely," he said.

Those prayers were soon answered.

On Sept. 8, Kyrgyz law enforcement officials found Metzger.

Initial investigations indicate that Metzger may have been abducted after a shopping trip, according to a statement by U.S. Embassy officials as reported by the Air Force Print News. Further details are not

being released without confirmation.

Mayo called Diamante to tell her the good news, which came as a happy shock.

"I nearly dropped the phone," she said. "I was laughing and felt sick at the same time because I was so relieved."

Diamante said Mayo and Metzger are currently in a hospital in Germany and cannot yet be reached for comment. The two met several years ago when they were both stationed at Ramstein Air Base in Germany.

Metzger, chief of personnel for the 376th Air Expeditionary Wing, is said to be one of the best runners in the Air Force,

having won the 2003 and 2004 women's division of the Air Force Marathon, held in Ohio.

Metzger's parents told the Air Force Print News that Metzger still wants to run in the Air Force marathon.

Thanks to Metzger's return, her friends and family will be able to breathe easier — but that does not mean the tale should be forgotten, Diamante said.

"I think it's an important story for people to hear, if only so that for a second they may appreciate the people in their lives a little more."

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## Major

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experienced Rome. Many students felt that the Rome Program could provide an ideal opportunity to those double majoring in Italian and political science, communications, French, or other areas of interest — if the Italian major was made available.

The visible interest in an Italian program at Saint Mary's is on track with national trends, according to Nancy D'Antuono, professor of Italian at the College.

Enrollment in Italian in American colleges and universities has grown 29.6 percent since 1997, D'Antuono said. Unlike the strategic urgency presented by languages like Chinese and Spanish, the marked growth in Italian seems to spring largely from positive reactions of

tourists or from Italian descendants desiring to rediscover their heritage, she said.

According to Christian Moevs, professor of Italian at Notre Dame, globalization has taken prominence away from languages once considered 'prestigious', like French, and opened the door for the learning of all languages.

"No single language stands out," Moevs said.

Seven students will be able graduate in 2008 with the major, and the College will continue to work toward an increased variety of courses in the area.

Italian majors are required to take two language courses as well as six of a list of varied literature, cinema and writing courses, all of which are taught in Italian. Participation in the Rome Program is not required.

Many of the Saint Mary's students working toward the Italian major plan to pursue work in Italy, teach Italian, or in some

way incorporate their knowledge of Italy into their careers.

For Muscarello, who helped usher the program into existence, the major will attract a certain kind of student.

"This major needs and will thrive upon people who are in love with Italian culture; people who essentially bleed green, white and red," she said.

Italian major Christina Palella is one of those students.

"Italian culture has always been a part of my life because it is my heritage," she said.

For Emily Skube, also majoring in Italian, the language is a source of inspiration and its institution as a major will affect future Saint Mary's students.

"Italian is not just a major, it's a passion, and ... Saint Mary's is passing that fire down to a new generation, one that will carry it with pride."

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# LONDON PROGRAM

## APPLICATION MEETING

FOR FALL 2007 & SPRING 2008

Wednesday, September 13, 2006

101 DeBartolo

6:00 pm

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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Over 50 die in stadium stampede

SAN'A, Yemen — A stampede broke out Tuesday in a stadium packed with thousands of people for an election campaign rally for Yemen's president, killing at least 51 people and injuring more than 200, including youths bused in for the event.

The tragedy came as President Ali Abdullah Saleh — in power for nearly 30 years — is campaigning in the oil-rich nation's first competitive presidential elections, set for Sept. 20, against a single rival who has drawn tens of thousands to his rallies.

The president has been eager to show he has broad popular support — even announcing last year that he would not run for reelection, then reversing himself, citing appeals from the public for him to stay.

Saleh, who has allied himself with the U.S. in the war on terror, offered condolences to the families of the victims of the stampede, which occurred at a rally where he was speaking in the town of Ibb, 120 miles south of the capital, San'a.

### Prime Minister Maliki visits Iran

TEHRAN, Iran — Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki made his first official visit to Iran, a close ally, asking the Islamic regime on Tuesday to crack down on al-Qaida militants infiltrating his country and seeking new deals to help Iraq's troubled oil industry.

The visit reflected the complex relationship between Iran, a mostly Shiite Muslim country, and Iraq's government, now dominated in the post-Saddam Hussein era by Shiite allies of Tehran. Since Saddam's fall in 2003, Iraq has sought better relations with Iran and to heal scars left by the 1980-88 war that killed more than 1 million people on both sides.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### Democrats acknowledge tape leak

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The campaign of Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's Democratic rival acknowledged Tuesday that it downloaded — and leaked to the media — a recording of a private meeting in which the governor described a Hispanic legislator as having a "very hot" personality.

But Cathy Calfo, campaign manager for Democrat Phil Angelides, said the campaign had done nothing wrong because the file was available publicly on the governor's Web site.

"No one hacked," Calfo said at a news conference to address the role played by the Angelides campaign, first reported by The Sacramento Bee. "They accessed information that was available to the public."

### Smith's son dies during hospital visit

NASSAU, Bahamas — Police investigating the death of Anna Nicole Smith's 20-year-old son said Tuesday that they had no evidence that he had suffered a heart attack or that drugs were involved.

The 38-year-old reality TV star and former Playboy playmate found her son, Daniel, unresponsive Sunday morning in a chair in her hospital room, where she was recuperating from giving birth to a baby girl, and called for help, according to police.

A hospital official said medical personnel applied CPR and other measures to try to save the young man.

## LOCAL NEWS

### Barbara Bush raises funds for Sodrel

SELLERSBURG, Ind. — President Bush's family on Tuesday gave Republican Rep. Mike Sodrel another fundraising boost — this time from former first lady Barbara Bush — in one of the most closely watched congressional races in the nation.

Mrs. Bush told those at the fundraiser that Sodrel had immersed himself in matters crucial to the country, including job creation, eliminating the inheritance tax, making previous tax cuts permanent and backing legislation to promote alternative fuels.

# Attack on U.S. embassy stopped

*Syrian guards kill four terrorists; ten civilians, Chinese diplomat wounded*

Associated Press

DAMASCUS, Syria — Syrian guards foiled an attempt by suspected al-Qaida-linked militants to blow up the U.S. Embassy on Tuesday, exchanging fire outside the compound's walls with gunmen who shouted "God is great" and tried to storm in with automatic weapons and hand grenades.

The brazen, midmorning assault in a heavily guarded neighborhood of the capital could highlight the Syrian regime's weakening grip on militants, who have battled Syrian security forces repeatedly in recent years.

The attack, which left at least 10 civilians and a Chinese diplomat wounded, also quickly brought to the surface entrenched differences between the United States and Syria, such as the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, Damascus' ties with Iran and Hezbollah and the war in neighboring Iraq.

The Bush administration praised Syria's security forces for their professional response but then called on the country to play a constructive role in fighting terrorism.

"I do think that the Syrians reacted to this attack in a way that helped to secure our people, and we very much appreciate that," Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said.

White House spokesman Tony Snow also thanked Syrian officials and called for Damascus to "become an ally and make the choice of fighting against terrorists."

But Syria responded with a sharp criticism of the United States, blaming its policies in Lebanon, Iraq and the Palestinian territories for increasing Islamic militancy.

"It is regrettable that U.S. policies in the Middle East have fueled extremism, terrorism and anti-U.S. sentiment," the Syrian Embassy in Washington



A Syrian policeman stands in front the VIP visitors' entrance to the U.S. Embassy, which is marked by bullets, in Damascus, Syria, Tuesday.

said in a statement. "The U.S. should ... start looking at the root causes of terrorism and broker a comprehensive peace in the Middle East."

It curtly said that Syria "performed its duties" under the Geneva Conventions to protect the embassy.

Anti-American sentiment has been rising across the Middle East since Israel's 34-day blitz of Hezbollah in Lebanon that ended nearly a month ago, on top of turmoil in Iraq that many here blame on the United States.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for Tuesday's attack, but suspicion immediately fell on a

little-known al-Qaida offshoot called Jund al-Sham, Arabic for Soldiers of Syria.

Syria's ambassador to the U.S., Imad Moustapha, told The Associated Press it was too early to say but "it's logically possible" Jund al-Sham was responsible.

If confirmed, it would be the boldest and most sophisticated attack yet by Jund al-Sham.

At the State Department, deputy spokesman Tom Casey said: "Clearly, it was an organized terrorist attack on our embassy. But exactly who was responsible for it and who they might be affiliated with and what their motives are, are things that we'll just have to look at as the days go

on."

Three attackers and a Syrian guard were killed in the attempted bombing of the embassy, located in the same neighborhood as President Bashar Assad's office and residence. A fourth attacker was wounded and arrested.

The attackers came in two cars, one of them an explosives-laden pickup truck. The first car pulled up in front of the embassy's entrance and three gunmen burst out. Shouting "Allahu akbar" — "God is great" — they threw hand grenades and fired automatic weapons toward the gate and a Syrian guard post, sparking a 15-minute gunbattle.

# Astronauts begin ISS addition

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Two spacewalking astronauts Tuesday began installing the first big addition to the international space station in more than 3 1/2 years, and NASA pronounced the outing a success, even though a small bolt floated off and got lost.

"I felt today like this is what NASA is supposed to do," lead space station flight director John McCullough. "This is what we're here to do."

Wearing bulky suits and gloves, the two Atlantis astronauts ventured outside to begin attaching a new 17 1/2-ton box-like truss section that the space shuttle delivered earlier this week. The job involved connecting 17

wires or tubes and tightening or loosening 167 bolts.

Astronaut Joe Tanner was working with a 1 1/2-inch bolt with an attached spring, when the washer holding it in fell off. The bolt and spring floated over the head of astronaut Heidemarie Stefanyshyn-Piper and skittered across the truss.

While the washer went out into space harmlessly, Tanner worried the bolt and spring could get into the truss's wiring and tubing and cause problems.

"I just hope that bolt is on its way to Mother Earth right now and not on its way" to a crucial joint, Tanner said.

Even though NASA didn't have any video showing the bolt missing the

mechanism, officials said they are certain that the bolt flew off into space harmlessly.

"It's pretty trivial," McCullough said. "It didn't go inside."

Space debris can be dangerous if it punctures space station walls or spacesuits and can jam crucial mechanisms. However, spacewalkers have a long history of losing things in space. In July, Discovery spacewalkers lost a 14-inch spatula that floated away.

Two more spacewalks will be conducted during the 11-day mission to finish hooking up the new addition to the half-built space station. Construction of the space station had been on hold since the Columbia disaster in 2003.



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groups who wouldn't normally socialize to interact," Wagner said.

The club consists of about 60 students committed to meet once per week in groups of 10 to 12. Trained student moderators lead a discussion about important issues affecting student life, particularly racial relations on campus, Wagner said.

"What we do is provide a space for students to talk with people who honestly do care about race relations so that those with concerns can feel like their voices are being heard," he said.

While COR members applauded Sustained Dialogue for brainstorming answers to difficult problems, they also urged the group to act on the issues at hand.

"It would be great if you went to hall councils and gave dorms an opportunity to come and participate," chief executive assistant Liz Brown said. "It could be a one time thing — not mandatory — but still getting the name of the group out there."

As for community relations, Shappell acknowledged South Bend Common Council member Karen White's invitation to meet with student leaders during the Common Council meeting Sept. 27 to discuss the disorderly house ordinance.

Shappell, alongside other student government leaders, said she continues to work toward changing the ordinance enacted in the summer of 2005.

Ideally, Shappell said, she'd

like to see a warning given to students before the possibility of eviction.

"We don't feel eviction fits the crime in this case," she said.

While changing the ordinance may solve some problems, Shappell urged students to first and foremost be polite neighbors.

"Introducing yourself to others and becoming a member of the community rather than a temporary resident is crucial," she said.

Off-campus president Spencer Feran encouraged students to take up an equally polite attitude when confronted by the police.

"The number one thing the South Bend Police Department said to me was for home owners to come outside and be polite when the police arrive at a party," he said. "Most of the time they are just looking to settle you down, and complying makes a big difference."

"Being a good neighbor can go a long way," he said, as a neighbor is more likely to come to students first if there's a problem if they have a friendly relationship.

Also during the meeting, Hall Presidents Council co-chair Bryan Lowery said this weekend's pep rally entry schedule will be tightened to cut down the waiting period between student entry and the start of the festivities.

This Friday's pep rally will also be in the stadium, Lowery said, and with an excess of 35,000 people present, he deemed last week's "a great success."

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# Barbara Bush speaks at fundraiser

## Former first lady backs Ind. Republican Sodrel

Associated Press

SELLERSBURG, Ind. — As a resident of Louisville, Ky., Dottie Frank can't even vote for Indiana Republican Rep. Mike Sodrel.

But she likes Sodrel and traveled 20 miles north to attend a Tuesday fundraiser featuring former first lady Barbara Bush that the Sodrel campaign said netted \$50,000 in one of the most closely watched races in the nation. Bush's appearance was delightful, Frank said.

"She has always been such a sweetheart," she said.

Mrs. Bush said Sodrel had immersed himself in matters crucial to the country, including job creation, eliminating the inheritance tax, making previous tax cuts permanent and backing legislation to promote alternative fuels.

She also said that although Sodrel, like everyone, wants American troops now in Iraq to return home "he also knows we cannot cut and run."

"Mike Sodrel is as close to a 'Mr. Smith Goes to Washington' as you can get," Bush told about 230 people at golfer Fuzzy Zoeller's Covered

Bridge Golf Course. "It is very important that we give him a chance to stay in Washington and finish what he started. Electing Mike is selfishly, 'hugely important to me.'"

Sodrel, the millionaire owner of a Jeffersonville-based trucking company, is in his third consecutive campaign against former Democratic Rep. Baron Hill in southern Indiana's 9th district. Hill won their first matchup in 2002 but Sodrel won the 2004 election by fewer than 1,500 votes.

Sodrel remained in Washington and did not attend Tuesday's event hosted by Bill and Teresa Boyd, the latter a friend of Sodrel's wife, Keta.

It was yet another big name to stump for Sodrel as separate fundraising visits by President Bush and first lady Laura Bush netted about \$700,000. Vice

President Dick Cheney and his wife, Lynne, and GOP congressional leaders also have helped Sodrel raise money.

Former President Bill Clinton held a fundraiser for Hill in July that his campaign said brought in about \$250,000.

Abby Curran, a spokeswoman for Hill's campaign, said Barbara Bush's visit was the latest in a parade of national Republicans to stump for Sodrel and a sign that he

was in "serious trouble."

"Mike Sodrel continues to hope that his friends in Washington will come visit his district to bail him out," she said.

The Sodrel-Hill race could be among the hardest-fought nationwide as Democrats try to gain control of the U.S. House. A new poll for Indianapolis television station WISH released Tuesday found Hill with a 46 percent to 40 percent lead over Sodrel. The poll had a margin of error of plus or minus five percentage points.

Campaigns in the neighboring 8th District and the South Bend area's 2nd District also are considered to be key races.

Hill and Sodrel are each airing television commercials now. Sodrel had raised about \$1.74 million and had \$1.13 million left as of June 30, according to Political Money Line, a nonpartisan clearing house for fundraising and lobbying data. Hill had raised about \$1.17 million and had nearly \$968,000 as of June 30.

Libertarian Eric Schansberg is also running for the 9th District seat.

The cost for Barbara Bush's fundraiser was \$250 a couple. Several people paid \$1,500 to attend an exclusive reception and have their photos taken with Bush. She spoke earlier Tuesday in Connecticut on behalf of Rep. Chris Shays, and has held a fundraiser for a congressional candidate in Vermont.



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## MARKET RECAP

Stocks		
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Up: Same: Down: Composite Volume:  
2,484 118 808 2,883,888,327

<b>AMEX</b>	<b>1,983.34</b>	<b>+24.58</b>
<b>NASDAQ</b>	<b>2,215.82</b>	<b>+42.57</b>
<b>NYSE</b>	<b>8,348.32</b>	<b>+86.15</b>
<b>S&amp;P 500</b>	<b>1,313.11</b>	<b>+13.57</b>
<b>NIKKEI(Tokyo)</b>	<b>15,719.34</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>FTSE 100(London)</b>	<b>5,895.50</b>	<b>+44.70</b>

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
NASDAQ 100 TR (QQQ)	+1.85	+0.72	39.68
INTEL CP (INTC)	+1.80	+0.35	19.75
SUN MICROSYS (SUNW)	+4.01	+0.20	5.19
MICROSOFT CP (MSFT)	+0.08	+0.02	25.93
JDS UNIPHASE CP (JDSU)	+4.81	+0.10	2.18

Treasuries			
10-YEAR NOTE	-0.54	-0.026	4.773
13-WEEK BILL	-0.62	-0.030	4.780
30-YEAR BOND	-0.71	-0.035	4.905
5-YEAR NOTE	-0.53	-0.025	4.708

Commodities		
LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl.)	-1.85	63.76
GOLD (\$/Troy oz.)	-3.00	594.30
PORK BELLIES (cents/lb.)	+0.80	89.45

Exchange Rates	
YEN	11.8650
EURO	0.7887
POUND	0.5343
CANADIAN \$	1.1202

## IN BRIEF

### Nation's trade deficit at all-time high

WASHINGTON — Soaring global oil prices sent the U.S. trade deficit to an all-time high, and Democrats hoping to take control of Congress said the figures showed Republican policies have failed.

The trade deficit increased to \$68 billion in July as record oil prices pushed America's foreign oil bill to the highest level in history, the Commerce Department reported Tuesday.

Democrats said the worse-than-expected showing was evidence that President Bush's trade policies were failing to protect American workers from unfair foreign competition that they said had contributed to the loss of nearly 3 million manufacturing jobs since Bush took office.

"These record trade deficits are proof positive that the current trade agenda is not working for America," said Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., who is in line to become chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee if Democrats take control of the House.

"America's trade policies are a miserable failure," said Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D. "We are choking on debt, a substantial portion of which we owe to China and Japan."

### Regulators caution BP on pipeline

WASHINGTON — Federal regulators warned BP PLC on Tuesday that it must supply detailed and credible evidence that a temporary fix to resume oil production on Alaska's North Slope can be done without environmental risk.

BP must show it "can manage corrosion going forward," Thomas Barrett, chief of the Transportation Department's pipeline safety agency, told a Senate hearing at which oil company executives said they hope to present such a plan, possibly this week.

"We must be assured that even a temporary limited restart can be operated safely before it can proceed," said Barrett, who took over the DOT pipeline agency this year.

Robert Malone, president of BP America Inc., a subsidiary of BP PLC, said the company planned to request within days that it be allowed to reopen the pipeline's eastern leg so more thorough tests — using a so-called "pig" device — can be run through it to ascertain if the line again can be used to send oil south.

## Kroger's earnings rise 6 percent

Experts say profit increase aided by families eating out at restaurants less

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Kroger Co., the nation's largest traditional grocery chain, said Tuesday its profit rose 6 percent in its second quarter, aided by higher fuel prices that has consumers looking at supermarkets — instead of restaurants — to feed their families.

Kroger shares tumbled 6 percent though as it confirmed its earnings guidance for the full year at a level slightly below Wall Street's expectations. On Monday, shares hit a 52-week trading high on the New York Stock Exchange.

Profit for the quarter ended Aug. 12 reached \$209 million, or 29 cents per share, from \$196.5 million, or 27 cents per share, in the year-ago period. Results include 3 cents per share for legal reserves recorded in the first quarter. Analysts expected a profit of 29 cents a share on revenue of \$14.73 billion, according to a survey by Thomson Financial.

Revenue rose 9 percent, to \$15.14 billion, from \$13.87 billion a year ago.

Kroger executives told analysts in a conference call that efforts to build customer loyalty, price discounts and cost-cutting have helped boost profits, along with consumer belt-tightening amid higher gasoline prices in the summer. Some casual-dining restaurants have reported lower sales recently.

"A family can be fed much more economically at the supermarket," said David B. Dillon, Kroger's chairman and chief executive officer. "Fuel costs are higher and people are feeling the pinch."

Kroger, with its many stores, offers convenience for gas-conscious shoppers, he said. The company also has been luring customers with loyalty cards that enable them to



Shoppers pass beneath the sign over the entryway to a King Soopers store in southeast Denver Sunday.

earn sharp discounts on gasoline and groceries.

But Dillon said such promotions are only a piece of Kroger's overall strategy, which won't be changed by the recent decline in gas prices. The company said it has cut costs by using more energy-efficient lighting and managing transportation to reduce gas usage. Kroger also has been investing in store improvements.

Same-store sales in the quarter grew 6.2 percent. Including sales of gasoline, same-store sales grew 8.2 percent during the quarter.

Same-store sales, which Kroger calls identical-store sales and defines as

sales in stores not scheduled to be closed that have been open five full quarters, are a key gauge of industry performance.

Kroger in recent years has faced increasing competition from discounters led by Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and higher-end natural-food stores such as Whole Foods Market Inc.

HSBC Securities analyst Mark Husson recently downgraded Kroger shares to "neutral" from "overweight," saying he didn't see a catalyst for stock growth. He suggested last month Kroger might consider buying more stores.

Kroger executives said on Tuesday that any acquisition would have to

add growth opportunities and fit with Kroger culture, and that protecting its investment-grade credit rating is a priority.

The company Tuesday confirmed guidance of 2006 earnings per share growth of 6 percent to 8 percent, implying 2006 earnings expectations of about \$1.39 to \$1.41 per share. But that was below analysts' expectations for a profit of \$1.43 per share.

Kroger shares fell \$1.33, or 5.5 percent, to close at \$22.75 in trading on the New York Stock Exchange. The stock reached \$24.15 during Monday trading and has traded as low as \$18.05 in the past year.

## Stocks rise on Goldman Sachs news

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street rallied for a third straight session Tuesday, propelling the Dow Jones industrials up more than 100 points after Goldman Sachs Group Inc. reported results that beat expectations and investors grew more confident that the continuing drop in crude oil prices would boost consumer spending.

After seven days of oil price declines, investors pushed shares of consumer-oriented stocks higher. Companies such as General Motors Corp., home improvement chain Home Depot Inc. and Best Buy Co. all showed strong gains.

"I think the concerns about September that led the market lower

last week are basically waning because oil prices are declining," said Scott Fullman, director of investment strategy at Hapoolim Securities USA.

"The major benchmarks are performing extraordinarily well. What we've been seeing is the movement of assets out of commodities stocks and into more traditional growth stocks such as health care and technology," he said.

Investors also saw momentum from financial services stocks after Goldman Sachs reported better-than-expected third-quarter results, although profits fell as its trading business slowed. Not only did Goldman's earnings bode well for rival investment banks due to report this week, but also signaled that companies have not pulled back from going

to the markets with equity deals.

The rally helped lift the Dow to a four-month high and the Nasdaq composite index and Standard & Poor's 500 index to three-month highs.

The Dow rose 101.25, or 0.89 percent, to 11,498.09, while the S&P 500 was up 13.57 or 1.04 percent, at 1,313.11. The Nasdaq composite index rose 42.57, or 1.96 percent, to 2,215.82, its highest point gain since Aug. 15, when it rose 45.97.

Bonds also advanced, with the yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note falling to 4.77 percent from 4.80 percent Monday. The dollar was mixed against other major currencies, while gold prices declined after falling below \$600 an ounce Monday for the first time in more than two months.



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## Michigan requires new cervical cancer vaccine

*Sixth grade girls will get FDA-approved shots*

Associated Press

LANSING, Mich. — Michigan girls entering the sixth grade next year would have to be vaccinated against cervical cancer under legislation backed Tuesday by a bipartisan group of female lawmakers.

The legislation is the first of its kind in the United States, said Republican state Sen. Beverly Hammerstrom, lead sponsor.

The vaccine was approved by the Food and Drug Administration in June for use in girls and women and has been hailed as a breakthrough in cancer prevention. It prevents infections from some strains of the sexually transmitted human papilloma virus, which can cause cervical cancer and genital warts.

A government advisory panel said that ideally, the vaccine should be given before girls become sexually active.

The American Cancer Society estimates that cervical cancer will be diagnosed in 9,700 women nationwide, and that 3,700 will die.

"We believe we can save the lives of these girls," Hammerstrom said.

Some critics around the country have expressed concern that schools would make the vaccine a

requirement for enrollment. They have argued that requiring the vaccine would infringe on parents' rights and send a message that underage sex is OK.

As with other vaccines required for schoolchildren, the bills have a provision allowing parents to opt out of the HPV vaccine requirement for medical, moral or philosophical reasons. But some critics are still concerned.

"We don't feel using school attendance as a form of coercion to get parents to vaccinate their child is appropriate, simply because this disease is not transmitted through casual contact the way other diseases are that are subject to school mandates," said Peter Sprigg, vice president for policy at the Family Research Council in Washington, D.C.

"Parents should be able to opt in rather than opting out," he added.

The three-shot vaccination costs \$360. Hammerstrom said that most Michigan employers will cover the vaccine, and that uninsured girls could be covered through the federal government's Vaccines for Children program.

Health officials estimate that 20 million people are infected with HPV, with 6.2 million new infections occurring every year. About 80 percent of sexually active women will be infected by age 50, but for 90 percent of those infected, the virus is naturally cleared from the body and becomes undetectable.

## Former governor on Oprah

*McGreevey will discuss new book, announcement of homosexuality*

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Former New Jersey Gov. James E. McGreevey, who had been publicly silent since announcing two years ago that he was gay and was resigning, made "The Oprah Winfrey Show" the first stop on his national book tour Tuesday.

But what he said will remain a mystery until the show airs.

Audience members who attended the two-hour-long taping said they were instructed not to discuss the show or McGreevey's comments. The former governor's book, "The Confession," has been cloaked in secrecy and will be released Sept. 19 — the same day the show is to air.

Winfrey landed the exclusive interview with McGreevey because of her sense of faith and spirituality, according to friends of the former governor. McGreevey is said to be a fan of Winfrey's education and anti-poverty work, two issues to which the former governor is devoting more time in his post-political life.

The 49-year-old Democrat drew national attention when he called a news conference in 2004 and, with his wife at his side, publicly declared, "I am a gay American." The couple have since separated, and McGreevey lives with his partner, Australian financial adviser Mark O'Donnell, 42.

About a dozen friends accompanied McGreevey and O'Donnell



Former New Jersey Gov. James McGreevey resigned Aug. 12, 2004 after revealing he was gay and having an affair with a man.

to Chicago for the taping Tuesday afternoon. Some segments of the show, including clips from the New Jersey home McGreevey shares with O'Donnell, were filmed previously.

Julie Everett, a Cincinnati nurse who attended college with McGreevey, said before the taping that she and her friends submitted old college photographs to Winfrey producers.

"We're here to support him as his friends," Everett said. "His courage, his humility, he has been unbelievable since this ordeal. He's an inspiration to me."

McGreevey waved and smiled at reporters from a sport utility vehicle as he arrived at the studio Tuesday but did not speak to the

media.

"The Confession" traces McGreevey's life through two failed marriages, his rise to the governor's office and the sudden, public implosion of his political career.

McGreevey, a Democrat, announced his homosexuality and his impending resignation in the same speech on Aug. 12, 2004, and acknowledged that he had been involved in an affair with a man.

State Sen. Ray Lesniak, who was interviewed by Winfrey's staff in preparation for the program, said the show was interested in how McGreevey is now, compared with how he was as governor.



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# Nonaligned nations seek new 'terrorist' definition

North Korea, Iran, among countries that want to see violent actions of powerful nations characterized as terrorism

Associated Press

HAVANA — Iran, Syria, North Korea and more than 100 other nations are pushing to broaden the world's definition of "terrorism" to include the U.S. occupation of Iraq and the Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

Converging on Fidel Castro's communist Cuba for a summit this week, members of the Nonaligned Movement complain of a double standard: powerful nations like the United States and Israel decide for the world who the terrorists are, but face no punishment for their own acts of aggression.

A draft of the group's joint declaration condemns "terrorism in all its forms," especially violence that targets civilians.

Terrorism should not be associated with any religion or nationality, says the draft. It singles out a favored phrase of President Bush in declaring that member countries "totally reject the use of the term 'axis of evil' by a certain state to target other states under the pretext of combating terrorism."

A Cuban official said sarcastically on Tuesday that the U.S. could one day accuse the entire Nonaligned Movement of supporting terrorism.

"Reading some news reports ... I'm left to believe that the axis of evil is growing," said Abelardo Moreno, Cuba's vice foreign minister. "Soon, the (axis of evil) will be made up of 118 countries."

Cuba says the U.S. is particularly hypocritical in the case of a former CIA operative and Castro foe wanted in Venezuela in the 1976 bombing of a Cuban jetliner from Caracas that killed 73 people.

On Monday, as the U.S. sought global support for its response to the Sept. 11 attacks five years ago, a federal magistrate in Texas said Luis Posada Carriles should be released while he waits to be deported anywhere but Cuba or Venezuela, where the U.S. fears he could be tortured.

The draft declaration condemns Israel's invasion of Lebanon, with no balancing comments about Hezbollah's missile attacks on Israel.

It also hails the Lebanese people's "heroic resistance to the Israeli aggression" and demands that Israel compensate the Lebanese government and people for the deaths, injuries and destruction the war caused.

Despite the recent spotlight on Lebanon, many representatives from nonaligned countries said much of the world's terrorist activity won't end until a solution is found for the conflict between Israel and the Palestinian territories.

"This issue is at the core of so many problems that it would help stop some terrorism if it were resolved," said Khalid A. al-Akwa, a Yemeni Foreign Ministry official.

If Israel and its neighbors respect each other's borders and recognize the right of both states to exist, Palestinian resistance groups could eventually disappear, he predicted.

Many Arab officials say al-Qaida is in a different category, one representing true terrorists. Al-Akwa agreed.

"They target civilians, they lack the cause and the justifi-

cation, they don't distinguish among anyone — they're even attacking us Muslims," he said. "And they have a different political agenda, to extend an Islamist system that doesn't really have anything to do with our religion."

The document could be muted in this week's debate. A North African diplomat described the section on terrorism as "alphabet soup," because it tries to include all members' perspectives. He spoke on condition of anonymity

because he was not authorized to speak to journalists.

And while many Arab diplomats privately describe the military actions of the United States and Israel as examples of "state terrorism," a specific reference to this was eliminated during Monday's discussion, according to al-Akwa.

He said he did not know why the section was taken out, but he didn't hear very much objection, "not even by the Palestinian delegation."

Terrorist acts against civil-

ians in Iraq are also condemned in the summit document, which offers support for the current Iraqi government — also backed by the United States. But many nonaligned countries have sharply criticized the invasion of Iraq, and the current U.S. occupation is sure to be addressed this week.

Iraq has a delegation to the summit, though it was not immediately clear who was leading it.

Even India and other countries that have good relations

with the West called for less labeling and more cultural sensitivity, citing racial profiling and discrimination against people from Middle Eastern and Asian countries.


Debate is expected to get particularly lively after the arrival of outspoken anti-American leaders including presidents

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## GERMANY

# Pope urges Muslims to end jihad, begin dialogue

*Benedict said violence incompatible with God, spreading faith in his speech about faith and reason at German university*

Associated Press

REGENSBURG — Pope Benedict XVI said Tuesday that Islamic holy war was against God's nature and invited Muslims to join in a peaceful cultural dialogue.

In a speech at Regensburg University, Benedict made an unusual reference to jihad, or holy war — a concept used by today's Islamic extremists to justify suicide bombings and other attacks.

Benedict's address was about faith and reason, and how they cannot be separated and are essential for "that genuine dialogue of cultures and religions so urgently needed today."

Citing historic Christian commentary on holy war and forced conversion, the 79-year-old pontiff quoted from a 14th-century Byzantine emperor, Manuel II Paleologos.

"The emperor comes to speak about the issue of jihad, holy war," the pope said. "He said, I quote, 'Show me just what Muhammad brought that was new, and there you will find things only evil and inhuman, such as his command to spread by the sword the faith he preached.'"

Clearly aware of the sensitivity of the issue, Benedict

added, "I quote," twice before pronouncing the phrases on Islam and described them as "brusque," while neither explicitly agreeing with nor repudiating them.

"The emperor goes on to explain in detail the reasons why spreading the faith through violence is something unreasonable," Benedict said.

"Violence is incompatible with the nature of God and the nature of the soul," the pope said, issuing an open invitation to dialogue among cultures.

The Vatican spokesman, the Rev. Federico Lombardi, said the pope was not giving an interpretation of Islam as "something violent" although he said the religion contains both violent and nonviolent strains.

Benedict did not touch directly on the current controversy over Islamic extremism, although it is an issue he follows with concern. Last year in Cologne, Germany, he urged Islamic leaders to take responsibility for their communities and teach their young to abhor violence.

Last week, he told a gathering of Christian, Muslim and Jewish representatives in Italy that no one can "use the motive of religious difference as a reason or pretext for bel-

licose behavior toward other human beings."

Benedict will make his first visit to a Muslim country in November, when he is scheduled to travel to Turkey.

Gerlinde Axmann, a 40-year-old social worker, watched Tuesday's speech on one of the large screens set up in a square near the cathedral.

"That was a very important start to dialogue with Muslims amid the terrorist threat," she said, calling Benedict's appeal to reason "a building block toward finding a way to argue with each other without using weapons."

"I think it's very important for him to bring these things up in society," she said. "Muslims aren't going to take us seriously until we become conscious of our own values. For example, they take the pope much more seriously than others in the West."

Benedict earlier celebrated Mass for some 230,000 people, the second-largest crowd of his six-day homecoming tour, which ends Thursday.

From atop the altar platform, the pope looked over a throng dotted with blue-and-white Bavarian flags and the yellow-and-white Vatican banners.

In discussing faith and rea-



Pope Benedict XVI shakes hands with rabbi Danyel Molag during an ecumenic vesper prayer in a cathedral in Regensburg Tuesday.

son, Benedict in his sermon at Mass scoffed at the idea of a "mathematically ordered cosmos" without any hand of God. He said this would mean "nothing more than a chance result of evolution."

"We believe in God. This is a fundamental decision on our part."

Eva Renz dozed in the sun as she waited for the pope, having been on the road since 3 a.m. with her husband and

six children.

"His presence is important because he is a representative of Christ," she said. "I brought all the children because it's important for them to see this huge crowd and all the joy."

Some people turned out in spite of disagreeing with Benedict's conservative stands such as his opposition to ordaining women and married men.

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# Democrats say Bush used 9-11 speech to advance agenda

*Bush did not intend nationally televised remarks about recent U.S. foreign policy to be controversial, White House said*

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Republicans and Democrats tore into each other over war policy Tuesday, set off by a presidential speech the White House insisted was nonpolitical. A GOP leader said Democrats seemed "more interested in protecting the terrorists" than shielding fellow Americans.

The Democrats contended the president had used a prime-time address commemorating the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks to make partisan arguments bolstering support for the Iraq war.

"I wonder if they are more interested in protecting the terrorists than protecting the American people," said House Majority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio. "They certainly do not want to take the terrorists on and defeat them."

Trading barbs, House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi, who had criticized the president's speech as inappropriately political, called Boehner's criticism "cynical tactics."

"Rather than try to defend their own failed record, Republicans have resorted to the desperation politics of fear," said Pelosi, D-Calif. "It is long past time for Republicans to be honest with American people and stop questioning the patriotism of those who recognize that the president's Iraq policy has not worked,

is making us less safe and must be changed."

The White House tried to steer clear of the tussle. In fact, Bush spokesman Tony Snow took issue with Boehner's contention that Democrats may be looking out for the terrorists' interests.

Snow said it was unfortunate but perhaps inevitable that "there will be some name calling" in the months before this fall's election as Republicans and Democrats battle for control of Congress.

At the same time, the White House vigorously defended Bush against Democratic charges that the president inappropriately used Monday's televised speech, marking the fifth anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, to try to bolster support for the divisive war in Iraq.

Snow said very little of the president's 17-minute address contained controversial statements, and that "this was not an attempt to stir the hornet's nest."

Democratic leaders called the speech a political argument trying to justify the war by linking it to the terrorists responsible for the Sept. 11 attacks. The Democrats contend mismanagement of the war calls for a change in congressional leadership.

"The president spoke for his administration, not for the nation," said Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev. "This

was a political move, designed to tap the overwhelming public sentiment to destroy al-Qaida as a way to bolster sagging public support for the war in Iraq."

Reid and Pelosi circulated a letter they sent to the television networks and cable news channels asking for equal coverage of Democratic viewpoints on terrorism and Iraq. "There has been a complete absence of balance in the news coverage of national security issues," they wrote.

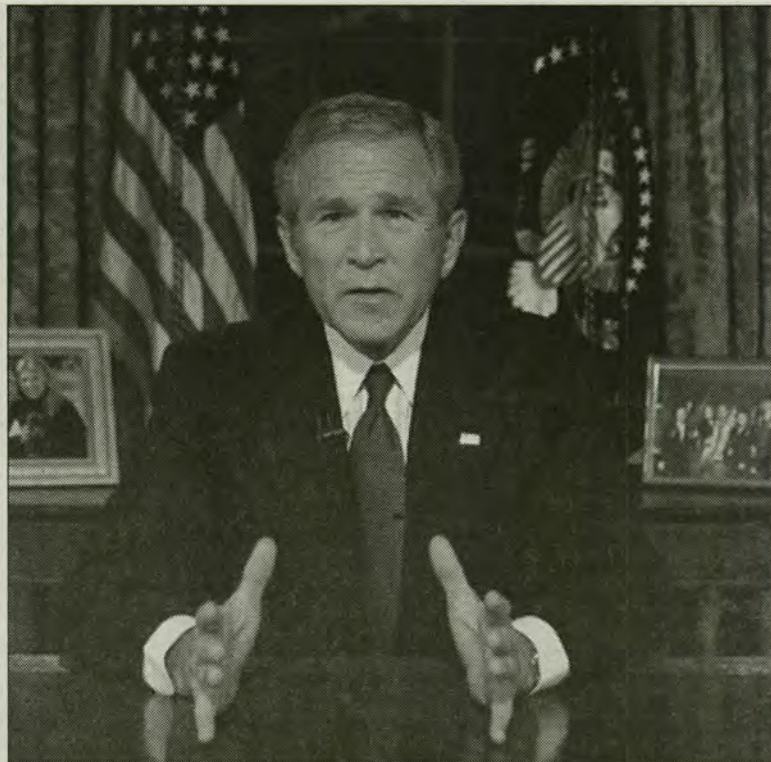
In response, representatives for ABC and CBS said the networks cover news fairly and accurately and will continue to do so.

Bush's address paid tribute to the nearly 3,000 victims of the Sept. 11 attacks and described the enemy as a global network of extremists who hate freedom and tolerance. "The war against this enemy is more than a military conflict," he said. "It is the decisive ideological struggle of the 21st century, and the calling of our generation."

Much of the speech described the administration's foreign policy following the attack and the decision to go after enemies before they could harm Americans.

"I am often asked why we are in Iraq when Saddam Hussein was not responsible for the 9/11 attacks," Bush said. "The answer is that the regime of Saddam Hussein was a clear threat."

Bush contended disaster could



President George W. Bush addressed the nation Monday on the fifth anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

result if the United States pulled out of the war, emboldening terrorists.

The liberal MoveOn.org planned to air a cable television ad this week accusing Bush and congressional Republicans of politicizing Sept. 11 by exploiting

the attacks to invade Iraq and win re-election. Two conservative groups, Progress for America and the Center for Security Policy, started running their own ads last week backing Bush's policy and telling viewers to vote "as if your life depends on it."

## NBC launches video website

*Company is trying to access YouTube users*

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Hoping to reclaim some ground won by Internet sites, NBC Universal launched a venture with its affiliated TV stations on Tuesday aimed at providing a legal and profitable way to distribute video online.

The venture, which was originally announced in April, will also include video clips from third parties such as CSTV Networks Inc., The History Channel and others.

Based loosely on the model of the hugely popular YouTube site, members of the venture will be able to add video to the system and also select which clips to play on their own site.

Advertisers will be able to buy ads by programming category but not by specific video clip, a measure that NBC hopes will eliminate any potential conflict with the ad sales efforts of its own affiliates and other parties that contribute content to the system.

And unlike YouTube, which has won a wide following with homemade video clips that any Internet user may post, NBC officials said their venture will have tight controls over which parties can become participants in the network. Clips will also be reviewed to ensure objectionable material isn't shown, they said.

The venture between NBC and its affiliated stations, which will own about 30 percent of the company, seems aimed at easing frictions

between networks and their affiliates over how to share the spoils from new ways of distributing video online.

Many network-affiliated TV stations were angered after being left out when networks started selling hit prime time shows — the lifeblood of TV ratings — through outlets such as Apple Computer Inc.'s popular iTunes service.

NBC officials say the network will focus on short clips that will retain high quality standards. At the same time, NBC clearly wants tap into the thriving video-sharing activities that have made sites like YouTube so popular. One early partner in the venture is Break.com, which features user-generated video clips.

"We know that video should be shared organically," Brian Buchwald, the general manager of the venture, said at a news conference at NBC's headquarters in New York. NBC Universal is 80 percent owned by General Electric Co. and 20 percent by Vivendi, the French media and telecommunications conglomerate.

The new venture will be called the National Broadband Company or "nbbc" — a play on NBC's original name, the National Broadcasting Co. But the name is not likely to be widely seen by consumers because the venture will simply supply the video and ads

to participating sites, such as NBC's New York affiliate WNBC.

NBC got a taste of the power of online video distribution several months ago when "Lazy Sunday," a satirical rap video that had aired on "Saturday Night Live," became a huge hit online, but initially through YouTube and other video-sharing sites.

"In the future, when you have a 'Lazy Sunday' kind of clip, it will end up here and we'll make a lot of money from it," said

Randy Falco, chief operating officer of the NBC Universal Television Group.

A number of parties are participating in the network at its launch, including some owned by other media outlets: CBS Corp.'s

CSTV; News Corp.'s IGN Entertainment; A&E and The History Channel, which are co-owned by NBC, Hearst Corp. and The Walt Disney Co.; and About.com, which is owned by The New York Times Co.

Mike Steib, who will run the venture, said that nbbc would be a "completely agnostic marketplace," and open to anyone interested in joining, including YouTube. A YouTube representative didn't immediately respond to requests for comment. NBC has already said it would provide promotional clips to YouTube for its fall television lineup.

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**Randy Falco**  
chief operating officer  
NBC Universal

## Safety board looks at motorcycle accidents

*Older riders, alcohol increase death rates*

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger's near-fatal crash on a motorcycle this year reflected a troubling trend: More bikers are getting killed on the road.

Roethlisberger's June 12 accident was one of three within two days that the National Transportation Safety Board looked into. The accidents, which killed seven people, were the first the safety board ever investigated.

"This trend is very troubling," said NTSB member Debbie Hersman, who chaired a two-day forum on motorcycle safety that began Tuesday. "The number of fatalities is outpacing the increase in ridership."

Late-blooming motorheads are part of the problem. The average rider is older now, and the average age of riders killed is also on the rise.

In the last 10 years, there has been a 230 percent increase in fatalities among motorcycle riders who've reached their 40th birthday, according to Umesh Shankar of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Fatalities are also on the rise for seniors on hogs, according to Shankar.

As riders get older, motorcycles get bigger. The number of 50-plus riders killed in a crash involving a bike with a 1,001-1,500 cc engine rose 540 per-

cent in the past decade, Shankar said.

Alcohol continues to kill motorcycle riders. Of those who died in a solo crash in 2004, 41 percent had a blood alcohol concentration above the legal limit of .08, Hersman said.

Ted Miller, a safety economist with the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, blames the rise in motorcycle deaths on plummeting helmet use.

At one time almost every state required all motorcycle riders to wear helmets, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. Now, only 20 states and the District of Columbia require riders to wear protective helmets, according to the institute, which is funded by the insurance industry.

Pennsylvania repealed its mandatory law in 2003, which is why Roethlisberger, 24, wasn't wearing a helmet when he crashed on Second Avenue in Pittsburgh.

James "Doc" Reichenbach, a bearded and tattooed biker who lives in Silver Springs, Fla., said better statistics are needed to show whether or not helmets protect riders.

He said helmet laws infringe on his rights. "I did three tours in Vietnam," he said. "I have a right to decide for myself whether I wear one or not."

Motorcyclists are often the victims of drivers who don't see them. Roethlisberger came close to death in such an accident. He rammed into a 1996 Chrysler New Yorker that failed to yield when making a left turn.



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## "Sex Grandma" not so sweet

The subject matter I am about to address makes me very, very nervous. I am, you remember, the writer who was too squeamish to print the first letter of the [expletive] word in her last column. Let me say up front that this column will include the word "sex" as well as occasional references to the male anatomy. Somehow, I feel better if everyone knows I'm ashamed.

Here it goes: Every Sunday night after Mass, I watch the television program "Talk Sex With Sue Johanson." For those of you living under a rock, Sue Johanson is an elderly Canadian nurse/marital relations counselor who hosts a weekly cable television program during which she answers viewers' questions about sex. As for the nature of the questions — well, we had fine sex education in my parochial schools but Sue takes it up a notch. Augmenting the Sue experience are commercials advertising assorted conjugal playthings. Lovely.

Every Sunday my roommates turn it on, and every Sunday I die a little. Okay, so it's not that bad. But Sue's digressions on artificial methods for the enlargement of the male anatomy are not my background music of choice when cramming The Canterbury Tales. Or writing columns. Actually, I must admit that I do not protest nearly as much as I used to.



Kimberley Burkart

*It sounded better in my head*

The last time it was on I could even tell it was a rerun.

Sue Johanson's charm, as it were, is that Sue Johanson may well have been present when God invented sex. The woman is at least sixty-five years old. She looks like — well, she looks like a grandmother, and according to her Web site she is one. Evidently there are some young men among us suffering from a deformity known as "bent penis." Sue can discuss this with the same candor and earnestness that my own grandmother has when she talks about dress patterns. I swear they have some of the same turtleneck sweaters.

The show becomes a viewer's sick fascination and I, for one, believe that Sue exploits this reality shamelessly. Anyone who styles herself the Sex Grandma has got to know what she's doing. Heck, she can claim people like me as regular viewers, and the information she gives is of no use to me. But that's another column.

Even though I watch it, I do not, in any way, shape or form endorse Sue Johanson's program. I do not want to turn this column into a commercial for Talk Sex With Sue Johanson, Incorporated, and I do not particularly want anything nice to happen to Sue Johanson.

Humor or medical value aside, some of the stuff she deals with is just indicative of greater societal problems. When this sort of thing comes up it renders debates over whether she belongs on Comedy Central or the Discovery Channel immaterial. Like the father who called in asking what to

do about his 12-year-old wanting to have sex with a high school-age girlfriend. Sue's answer: Condoms. It seems that afterward she received so many e-mails questioning her judgment that she had to give an I-was-just-answering-the-question disclaimer in her next show. Classy.

Or the time a caller reported some nasty goings-on in her nether regions. Apparently she was with a cheating boyfriend and made sure to use condoms. Sue's diagnosis? The caller was allergic to those particular condoms and should try a different kind. Maybe that's why women love Sue so much — she almost never tells them to see a gynecologist. Or a counselor.

Sex sells. It sells so well that grandmothers can make careers out of holding up plastic models of assorted body parts on cable TV and solemnly suggesting that a woman may be allergic to her boyfriend's ejaculate. She claims, of course, that her only goal is to educate the public at large, and many people buy it. According to her Web site, the Canadian government has even officially recognized her for her contributions to sexual health awareness.

But personally, I don't think that catchphrases like, "Before you bang, cover your thang" count as sex ed.

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### EDITORIAL CARTOON



### OBSERVER POLL

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### QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"The power of accurate observation is commonly called cynicism by those who have not got it."*

George Bernard Shaw  
Irish dramatist



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Police priorities still in doubt

To protect and serve the community is the heart of a police department's mission; however, recent events have led many among the student body to doubt that protecting and serving Notre Dame students is a priority of the South Bend Police Department. It is debatable how much a loud party of mostly underage drinkers taking place in a student neighborhood affects the non-University members of this city.

That is not the point. The ceaseless dispute that Notre Dame students are a hazard to South Bend is irrelevant. The point is that raids demonstrate how authorities in South Bend feel the necessity to target students; what is relevant are the recent crimes committed against students. Some members of the South Bend community physically harmed some members of the Notre Dame community. The city has targeted students, and in the meantime, failed to act in their defense.

Although I would like to believe no part of South Bend wishes harm on students, it speaks volumes about the mission of this city's government that resources are being spent to reprimand students instead of pro-

tect them. Had funds been directed toward better security at Turtle Creek, rather than last weekend's raids, the female resident may never have been assaulted in her own apartment. Had police been patrolling the streets of the city rather than busting student parties, the Notre Dame student may not have been robbed on his walk back to campus.

The change that needs to be made will not result because of my Viewpoint editorial, or with a thousand more letters to the editor. The distressing thing is what ultimately will cause change will be something far worse than a robbery or an unsuccessful breaking-and-entering. It is just like the dangerous intersection that needs a traffic light: no matter how many mothers write letters to the councilman, it isn't until a fatal car crash that the light will be constructed. My only hope is that someone who can make a difference will step in and do something before the two cars collide.

Kaitlin Devine  
junior  
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Sept. 7

### Remembering 9/11

Five years ago this week, I was sitting in French class when just a few miles away from my high school the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center fell on lower Manhattan.

They say that everything can change in a New York minute. On the morning of Sept. 11, it did for me and many of my classmates. Several of us lost neighbors, friends and coaches. Some lost parents. One lost her brother — a firefighter with Engine Company 26.

The Greek tragedian Aeschylus warned even in our sleep pain that cannot forget, falls drop by drop upon the heart until in our despite, against our will, comes wisdom to us by the awful grace of God.

Five years removed from the attacks, the horror and violence which descended upon our part of the country that September morning has ceased. The pain, however, has not. For so many in our local parishes and towns, this week — just like every week since — marks indelibly the magnitude of personal loss.

On Monday, we commemorated the lives of our neighbors, colleagues and family who perished in the Towers by

reciting their names to the world at Ground Zero. On Tuesday and thereafter, when the world returns again to everyday life, their absence — like the gaping hole in our New York skyline — will linger at the forefront of our minds and hearts.

Today, we have no concrete memorial for our dead. But in shared grief, pain has nonetheless revealed that the most fitting way to commemorate lost life is to celebrate it.

This fall, as you pursue your studies at Notre Dame, I ask you to do so with vigor and purpose. Look at our world through a global context, but always keep sight of the smaller things in life. Enjoy afternoons cheering our Irish on to victory and, above all stolen moments spent with family and friends.

As you do so, hold in your hearts all, those who lost that privilege on the morning of Sept. 11.

Pray for them daily, and pray for their families.

Michelle McCarthy  
alumnus  
class of 2006  
Sept. 12

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Think safety first

This time it is expert-Observer-letter-writer Professor A. Edward Manier who needs to rethink his position (Letter to the Editor 9/11/06). Is he seriously opposed to a "clean, well lit and safe path on which to walk home"? Why?

Underage drinking by college students is at worst a violation, akin to speeding, jaywalking, "rolling stops" or the lately-created offense of smoking too close to a doorway. It is not a violation of the natural law to be dealt with according to Exodus. Like any other violation, underage drinking is common and the prohibition is enforced sporadically for good reason. There are serious crimes to spend resources on and not many Americans want to live in a country where all the laws are enforced all of the way, all of the time.

The physical safety of Notre Dame students, on the other hand, should be a paramount concern for the administration and faculty alike, as they are in loco parentis. The Observer's position that the underage drinking laws should be enforced strategically, so as not to increase the danger of off-campus situations is eminently reasonable and one that Professor Manier need not address sarcastically.

Twenty-five or 30 years ago, a Notre Dame student could go down to the common area of a dorm and pour a beer or three. Does Professor Manier have social science evidence or even an argument from first principles, that demonstrates that Notre Dame is better off with the more aggressive alcohol enforcement of the last few years? If so, perhaps he'll share it in a future letter reflecting the "deeper thought" he expects from the editorial board of the student newspaper, instead of dismissing the measured view of the paper out of hand.

Let's formulate the question: Should 6,000 underage Notre Dame drinkers be lightly reprimanded and sent home to bed (or even, horrors, go free), so that just one or two will not be run over by an SUV at 3 a.m. on Rt. 23, or be stabbed to death on the way home from the Lafayette Apartments? Or should justice be "swift and sure", no matter how hard? After "thoughtful" consideration and desiring to be "helpful", I'll take the former. After all, tipsy college sophomore co-eds and their overly loud freshman boyfriends are not exactly heroin dealers taking over LaFortune, or murderous highwaymen on North Quad. How about we keep them safe, and maybe they'll outgrow it.

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Sept. 12

## U-WIRE

### Women's college uproar shows what it is like to be unwanted

It has been an incredibly slow news week. No one managed to do anything especially ignorant, dangerous or wacky. Even the president kept his idiotic mouth shut for the most part, coming out of his hole just long enough to give the obligatory weekly radio address.

It was on my last sweep of CNN that I happened upon the tale of some collegiate women in Virginia who are involved in an epic struggle with the powers that be.

At Randolph-Macon Woman's College in Lynchburg, Va., last week, the college's Board of Trustees, with 27 members, voted to begin admitting men in 2007. This, explained the trustees, was meant to counterbalance the vast attendance drop and subsequent financial trouble the college has faced recently.

According to the Associated Press, over 400 alumni, students and supporters booed trustee board President Jolley Christman throughout her entire explanation of the decision to invite men to the party. The AP reported that shouts of "traitor" drowned out a significant portion of the speech.

Even if I wasn't standing in the crowd, the article was a touch chilling.

But before I go any further, let's make something crystal clear: In the little town of Politics, I am the guy that stumbles around in the streets drunk on liberalism and strung out on social equality. I know women worldwide still struggle to overcome gender

inequality, and I have quite a lot of respect for the women who put up with all they do from "traditional" patriarchal society.

I couldn't help but wonder as I read the news that protesting the inclusion of men at a college is an ineffective, counterproductive method for closing the gender gap. Sure, there's tradition at stake and these students came to school and wrote checks with the expectation that it would be a women's college.

But would it really be that bad to have a man or two?

Horrified at the thought that I might have some sort of problem with the women's rights movement in general, I turned to my only real friend, the Internet, for answers. I ended up at the school's Web page about the whole crisis.

There, by a stroke of luck, I actually found the video from the board's announcement last Saturday. It turned out that even the seasoned veterans at the AP hadn't effectively conveyed the anger of these women.

As Christman gets to the part about "inviting young men" to the college, the most horrifying, angry, collectively hostile shriek I have ever heard in my young life surges throughout the crowd. You'd have thought Christman had showed up to announce a new university program called "Undernourished Tigers Hungry for Warm, Tender Human Flesh Wander Freely on Campus."

I have never, never felt smaller as a person. I'm serious. I can't help but feel totally inferior when the words "young men" evoke such an enraptured cry of disdain. For all accounts, it looked as if the women in the crowd stopped

thinking of men as men and started imagining a takeover of their college by an army of compulsively violent, chain-smoking pornographers.

Which, actually, might be a legitimate concern if my friends and I really were violent, chain-smoking pornographers. In reality, I am much too timid to shoot pornography, and, aside from an instance this summer where unpaid Monopoly rent led to knives being pulled, my chums and I aren't violent.

If I were a student at an all-female college, I would go to class, take tests and stand in lines. I would be given a piece of paper in a picture frame that would entitle me to a job. But a butt-slapping chauvinist I would not be.

Unfortunately for me, the only women's college I could theoretically get into has several hundred alumni screaming "traitor" in the face of the trustees who wanted to invite me.

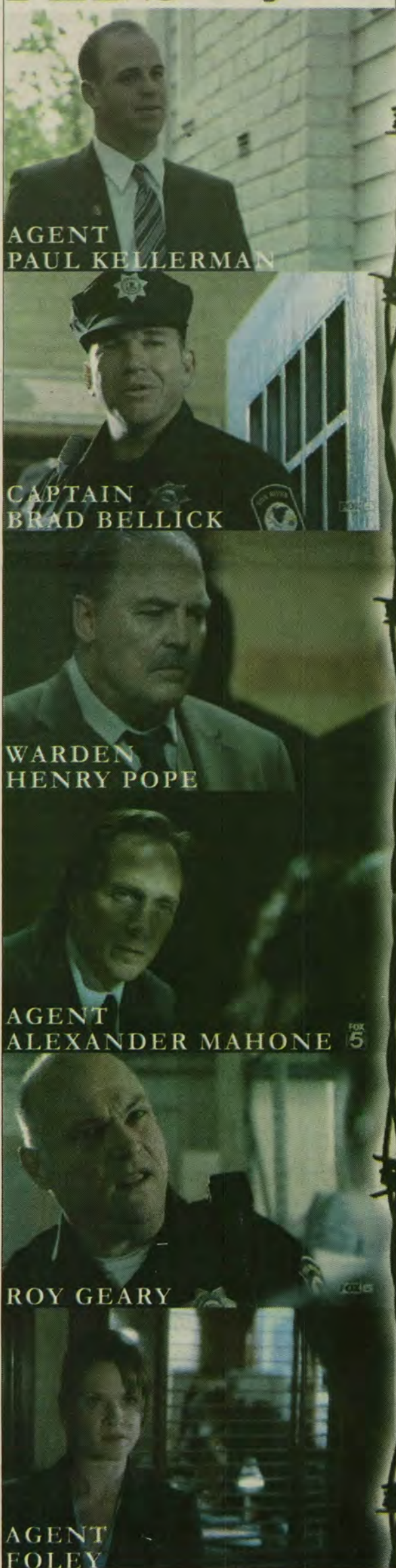
So the trustees may have opened the doors, but with all due respect to the "nice" young ladies at Randolph-Macon, I'll pass on the invitation. I'll ask, though, yelling through a megaphone from a safe distance: How is it, time and time again, completely impossible for people to get along or at least acknowledge the legitimacy of one another's existence?

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## THE FEDS



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# PRISON

## FOX JAIL DRAMA

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### SEASON ONE DVD REVIEW

Although "Prison Break" met with a great deal of skepticism at the beginning (only 13 episodes were initially ordered by FOX), it quickly developed into one of the best new shows during the 2005 television season.

Season one began with Michael Scofield (Wentworth Miller, "Underworld") plotting to break his brother, Lincoln Burrows (Dominic Purcell, "Equilibrium"), out of the Fox River penitentiary where he was on death row for the murder of the vice president's brother Lincoln claimed that he was innocent and was framed. In hopes of freeing him, Scofield attempted to rob a bank in order to get placed in the same prison as his brother so that they could break out together. Scofield's elaborate plan is revealed slowly episode-by-episode as he enlists the aid of other inmates and continuously works his way past the various obstacles that arise with each new twist.

"Prison Break" was developed in light of the latest trends to base shows,

Men: The Last Stand") who serves as an executive producer for the show and directed the pilot episode of the series. The commentaries are excellent, especially for fans of the show, as they highlight where they initially thought the plot was going to go, and point out many of the changes to the plot that had to be made while they were filming.

One such example is the character of C-Note (Rockmond Dunbar, "Kiss Kiss Bang Bang"), who was only supposed to appear in two episodes, but once the show became extended to a full season was made a much more central cast member. There are also a number of hints as to what could happen and what to look for during season two.

Also included in the DVD set are three featurettes. The first, "If These Walls Could Speak: Profile of the Joliet Correctional Center," goes inside the correctional facility where the show is filmed. One interesting tidbit gleaned from this feature is that many of the scenes are filmed on location in the actual cell that housed John Wayne Gacy.

The second feature, "Beyond the Ink: Tattoo Featurette," focuses on the extensive "map" tattooed on Michael Scofield's back that plays a key role in the series. It not only goes into detail on the pieces of the map, but also what actor Wentworth Miller had to do in order to have the tattoo placed on him. Finally there is one of Fox's "Inside Look" previews at the beginning of season two of the series.

All in all, Season 1 of "Prison Break" is an exceptional package of extras included with all of the action-packed episodes from the first season that will definitely make this set worthwhile for both new fans and ones that have been following the show since its premiere last year as Season Two begins.

### SEASON TWO PREVIEW

Moving into its second season, currently airing Mondays at 8 on FOX, "Prison Break" has evolved into a cross between "The Fugitive" (1993) and "Rat Race" (2001). With some of the prisoners having escaped Fox River, they are now on the run from the feds as well as trying to beat each other to Utah in order to find the millions of dollars left there by another inmate. All of the cast members return from season one, with one notable addition — William Fichtner as FBI Agent Alexander Mahone, head of the search for the escaped convicts.

Fichtner, who was most recently in the dropped ABC show "Invasion," has been around as a popular character actor in movies (including both "Equilibrium" and "Armageddon" which also cast other "Prison Break" stars) and video games (the voice of Ken Rosenberg in the Grand Theft Auto games). While Fichtner failed to become a household name through "Invasion," he makes a big impression as the clever FBI agent who is always a half-step behind Scofield's plans. While Fichtner's FBI agent is the brains after the inmates, returning character Brad Bellick (Wade Williams) moves from prison guard to bounty hunter as he hunts down Scofield.

Each episode focuses mostly on Scofield and Lincoln, and then switches between them and the storylines involving the other inmates since they separated after breaking out of Fox River.

Although the setting and the basic plot have been altered, "Prison Break" still remains a tautly written and well-acted series. It is still as exciting to watch the prisoners escape from the FBI agents as it was to watch them plan their prison escape. Much like the earlier episodes which showed the life of the inmates before ending up in Fox River, having the action switch between the characters is interesting and keeps the pace of the show moving quickly as it able to move from action to action.

As of now, "Prison Break" is set to end its run at the end of this season, which has caused cries of happiness and anguish from its fans.

### Prison Break Season One

20th Century Fox



such as "Lost" or "24," around intelligent, although rather ridiculous, plot-lines, strong characters and exciting and shocking plot twists to keep the audience anticipating the next episode. "Prison Break" evoked this intense anticipation and build up through such tools as Scofield's body tattoos with all of his plans for escape.

Season one of "Prison Break" is now available in a DVD set with all 22 episodes on six discs. Along with the episodes are 10 audio commentaries from the cast and the crew, also including Brett Ratner (director, "X-



Michael Scofield (Wentworth Miller), left, walks through Fox River Prison with fellow inmate and former mob boss John Abruzzi (Peter Stormare).



The cast of "Prison Break" will leave Federal agents will chase the escaped

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# BREAK

## A RUNAWAY HIT

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### "PRISON BREAK" FEATURE

"Prison Break" might have one of the most unbelievable storylines on television, but after moving past the improbable premise, this relatively new Fox television series is one of the best.

Starting with the premise of breaking out of prison is not necessarily the best idea for the longevity of a television series. At some point, it must come to an end — either with the escape or a long time in solitary confinement. However, "Prison Break" not only emerged as one of the best new shows on television during the 2005 network season, but showed that there are enough hooks to possibly demand future seasons of the show.

The show's main plot revolves around two brothers — Michael Scofield (Wentworth Miller, "Underworld") and Lincoln Burrows (Dominic Purcell, "Equilibrium"). Lincoln was accused of killing the brother of the Vice President of the United States and sentenced to death row in the Fox River Prison — set just outside of Chicago.

Michael, believing his brother's claims of innocence, develops an elaborate and complicated plan to break his brother out of the Fox River Prison by robbing a bank with the intention of getting placed in the same prison as Lincoln.

Once Scofield is in Fox River Prison, he sets his plan in motion by following the blueprints and designs for escape he had tattooed over his body. An engineer, Scofield helped to create the original blueprints for the prison — among other things, the complete blueprint of the penitentiary is hidden within the elaborate creations tattooed on his body.

One of the best and most innovative elements of the show is the incorporation of the tattoos and the clues that they give to Scofield indicating the next step he needs to take in order to escape the prison with his brother.

Along the way, he runs into obstacles and must turn to other inmates for help. His cellmate, a good-

natured Latino, Sucre (Amaury Nolasco, "2 Fast 2 Furious") becomes an early confidante. He also comes up against mob boss, John Abruzzi (Peter Stormare), the racist and pedophile, Theodore "T-bag" Bagwell (Robert Knepper, "Good Night and Good Luck") and ex-Army officer, Benjamin "C-Note" Franklin (Rockmond Dunbar, "Kiss Kiss Bang Bang").

Another central character in Fox River is the prison doctor, Sara Tancredi (Sarah Wayne Callies, "Law and Order: Special Victims Unit") who early on becomes interested in Scofield's case and tries to determine why he ended up in prison. Sara eventually becomes an ally of the prisoners and aids in their escape plans.

In the outside world, aiding the brothers in their quest to shed the truth about Lincoln's set-up is Veronica Donovan (Robin Tunney, "The Craft"), Lincoln's old girlfriend, who is also an attorney for the City of Chicago.

During her investigations she begins to unravel a conspiracy involving the Vice President, Secret Service agents and other organizations all leading up to Lincoln being framed for the murder.

Veronica enlists the help of death-row champion Nick Savrinn (Frank Grillo, "The Sweetest Thing") and together they gather evidence to support Lincoln's case. Often with the two attorneys is Lincoln's son LJ (Marshall Allman, "Hostage"), forced to go into hiding when wanted by police because he is suspected of the murder of his mother and stepfather.

The show's two main strengths lie in the pace of the action as well as the actors' portrayals of their respective characters. The storyline of the show, although unbelievable on the surface, is in fact at its core very intelligent, complicated and well thought out.

"Prison Break" is anchored by tight, suspenseful writing — the plot moves very quickly, which keeps

each episode fresh and exciting. Unfortunately, much like its counterparts, such as "Lost" or "24," it is hard to keep up with the show if an episode is missed.

However, some of the complications in the plot sometimes serve as distractions more than anything else. One of the weaker elements of the show is the political intrigue, which tends to come in and out of the show at odd points, often detracting from the main focus of the prison escape itself.

Although these references to political conspiracies are interesting, they are not consistent enough within the show in terms of its importance to be enjoyable, except to the most hardcore fans.

Each of the actors does a superb job and, although most of the show's characters are inmates, they generally develop a great deal of sympathy toward their respective plights. Miller and Purcell both deliver stand-out performances as the two brothers. Miller especially does an excellent job handling the always calculating and scheming Scofield.

The supporting cast also does an amazing job, with a solid combination of known and unknown actors. One cast member is worth noting — Peter Stormare as mob boss John Abruzzi. Stormare is well known for his roles on television as "Slippery Pete" in "Seinfeld," in popular movies such as "Fargo" and "Armageddon" as well as starring in the recent line of exceedingly popular Volkswagen commercials.

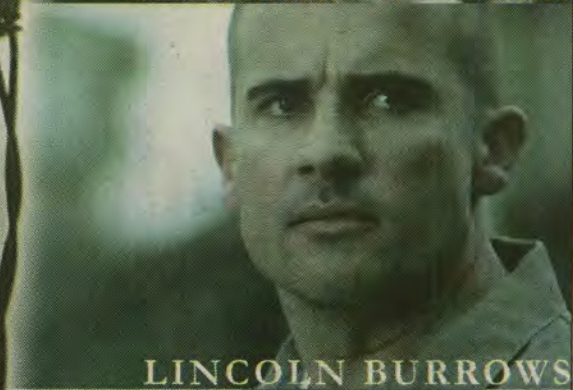
Within the story, the supporting characters develop more and more as the series progresses with parts of episodes devoted to how each inmate wound up in Fox River as well as other information about their respective pasts. Each supporting character is very well developed, and the show definitely turns from focusing solely on the brothers to the whole group of prison inmates.

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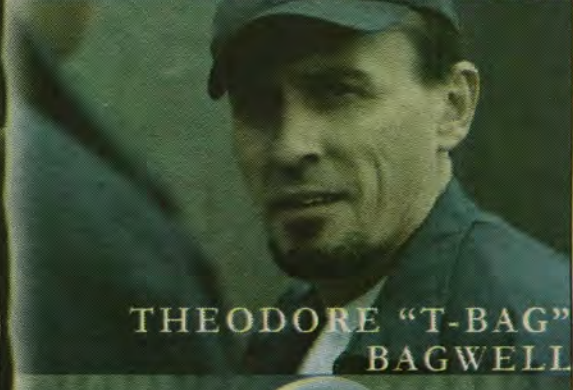
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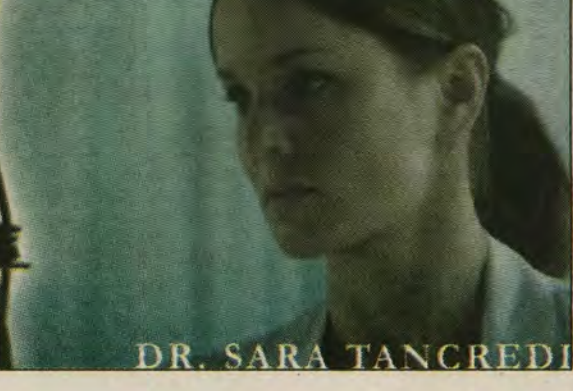
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THEODORE "T-BAG" BAGWELL



BENJAMIN "C-NOTE" FRANKLIN



DR. SARA TANCREDI



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Fox River Prison behind in Season Two. convicts through the real world.



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Cellmates Fernando Sucre (Amaury Nolasco), left, and Scofield plot their escape. The two will face more difficulties in Season Two of "Prison Break."



## MOVIE REVIEWS

# 'Hollywoodland' glamorous to some, garish to others

By BRIAN DOXTADER  
Scene Editor

On June 16, 1959, Superman died. George Reeves, the actor who portrayed Superman in the television serial, committed suicide in his home, three days before he was to get married. A seemingly open-and-shut case was complicated by the absence of a suicide note and the unfinished projects that could have reignited the flagging star's career.

Over 40 years later, director Alan Coulter reopens the case in "Hollywoodland," which traces the detective Louis Simo (a composite of real-life people, played by Adrien Brody) as he investigates the possibility of foul play in the suicide of Superman (Ben Affleck).

Nominally, "Hollywoodland" is a murder movie, an investigation about the possible killing of a celebrity, but it's not ultimately about that.

Instead, the film poses more questions than it answers, presenting at least three different scenarios that could have occurred.

Did Reeves actually commit suicide or was it murder? If it was murder, who was the killer and why? And as the plot thickens, was it the wealthy old benefactor? The angry husband? The jealous fiancée? Simo becomes entrenched in the times of Reeves, to

the extent that it begins to take a toll on his own personal life. Thankfully, the film never collapses into a typical whodunit, framing the investigation around Reeves' life and Simo's own personal demons.

"Hollywoodland" gets its noir-ish period piece quality exactly right — it's not inconceivable to believe that this film and "LA Confidential" exist in the same narrative world. Coulter gets all the little touches correct, from the cameras to the cars to the clothing, and it all adds to the atmosphere quite nicely.

The film continuously cuts back and forth between Reeves' life and Simo's investigation. This is a little problematic, since Reeves' life is more compelling than Simo's, though Brody's command of the screen hasn't diminished. The

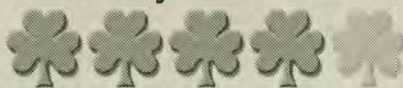
final scenes are affecting, even if it seems that Coulter has lost interest in the plot and is more concerned with Simo's character.

"Hollywoodland" is anchored by fantastic acting, most notably the subdued (as always) Brody and a sur-

prisingly affecting Affleck. Reeves, as a character, is given the most emotional weight and Affleck delivers, proving that Kevin Smith isn't the only one who can direct him.

Affleck doesn't look or sound anything like the real Reeves, but he does show the same heroic charisma and machismo that propelled the actor to television fame.

### Hollywoodland



**Director:** Alan Coulter  
**Writer:** Paul Bernbaum  
**Starring:** Adrien Brody, Ben Affleck and Diane Lane

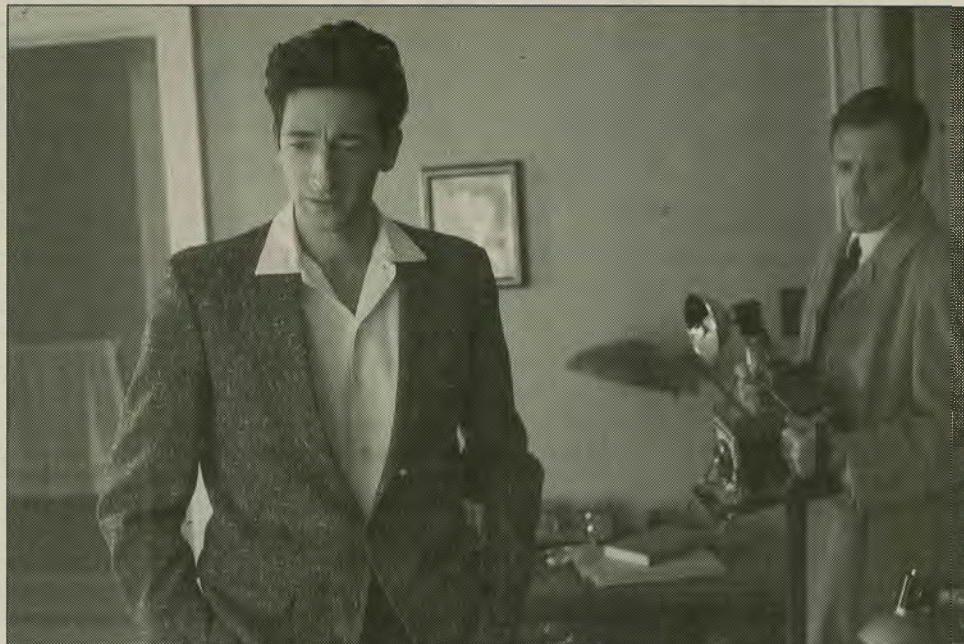


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Detective Louis Simo (Adrien Brody), left, dismisses theories of suicide in his death investigation of Superman actor George Reeves in "Hollywoodland."

Accordingly, Affleck won the Best Actor Award at the highly respected Venice Film Festival, a turn of events which is sad and ironic, considering Reeves' own tragic career.

"Hollywoodland" is the first of two major films this year that deal with Tinseltown murders — the other is Brian DePalma's upcoming "The Black Dahlia."

Coulter's approach is ambitious, and though he doesn't fully hit the mark, the film is moving and transcends its simplistic origins. His choices manage to avoid cliché — and though brave — cause the film to drag at times.

Not everything in "Hollywoodland" works, and this is easily attributable to lack of focus, though the film could have alleviated this had Coulter understood that it is Reeves, not Simo, who is the heart of this picture.

The best parts of "Hollywoodland" are about Reeves, and the film might have been better if it were only about him, a fallen, all-too-human icon whose sad death was a tragic reminder that no man is invincible, no matter how Super.

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When "L.A. Confidential" was released in 1997, it was hailed as the rebirth of the noir film. "Hollywoodland," released last weekend, could very well be the death of it.

Directed by Allen Coulter, who has directed episodes of both "Sex and the City" and "The Sopranos" among many other shows including "The X-Files" and "Golden Years" in a prolific directorial career, "Hollywoodland" is a bloated monstrosity of a movie that cannot decide what it wants to be about.

Paul Bernbaum's script moves through a detective story in which private investigator Louis Simo (Adrien Brody, "The Piano") digs deep into the mysterious death of Superman actor George Reeves (Ben Affleck, "Pearl Harbor", "Daredevil").

However, "Hollywoodland" is a film that does not know who or what it wants to be about.

It follows Simo through his investigation in such a way as to make the audience think that "Hollywoodland" is about this character as the script takes great pains to explore the intricacies of Simo and the relationship he has with his dysfunctional family.

His relationships with his wife, Toni Mannix (Diane Lane, "Unfaithful", "Under the Tuscan Sun") — with whom he is separated — and his son are explored in depth and seem to provide the backbone of the narrative.

However, the film does not follow this narrative line and denies the audience a story that develops and portrays a singular character.

Contrasting this, "Hollywoodland" moves back in time following the life of George Reeves before his death, as Simo investigates the death in the present time of the narrative. The time of the film that is devoted to these sections would make it seem that the primary focus of the film is the rise and fall of Reeves.

His life is traced from his beginning in the industry through the television serials of "Superman" through his fall and eventual death. Reeves' character, similar to Jake LaMotta in Martin Scorsese's "Raging Bull," moves to the top of his profession and then falls hard into a depression and a misguidance meant to explore the cut-throat nature that exist in the glamour and glitz of Hollywood.

The two lines of narrative, by themselves, are told relatively well, however, the writer and director should have chosen either to focus on one or figure out a way to merge both. The combination of the two leads to a confusing and aimless narrative.

The family situations seem irrelevant if Reeves is intended to be the center of the narrative and the scenes which depict Reeves before his death are excessive if Simo is the focus of the film. The narrative is mediocre and does not endow audiences with the same satisfaction of "L.A. Confidential," with its ensemble cast and tight narrative focus.

Narrative structure aside, Adrien

### Hollywoodland



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George Reeves (Ben Affleck), left, spends a moment with Toni Mannix (Diane Lane). Affleck's performance as Superman is already garnering Oscar talk.

Brody and Ben Affleck put in fine performances in their respective characters. This is by far the best performance that Affleck has produced and it would be no surprise if his name is on the Academy Award's list of Best Supporting Actor nominees, given the Best Actor Award he already won at the Venice Film Festival.

Brody also delivers a very fine performance as the troubled detective Simo. Although not as outstanding as Affleck, Brody's acting is solid nonetheless, in keeping with his propensity to deliver fine performances throughout his career.

The fact the narrative of "Hollywoodland" does not follow typical noir conventions may have been an

effort to create a film that deals with the dark side of celebrity without being an outright sequel to "L.A. Confidential."

However, the corpulent narrative relies too heavily on Brody and, as fine an actor as he is, it collapses under its own weight. This would have been better as a character film about Simo or a murder mystery about Reeves, but it can't be both.

If you want good neo-noir, go watch "L.A. Confidential," and if you want to see some amazing performances go to waste on a bad narrative, watch "Hollywoodland."

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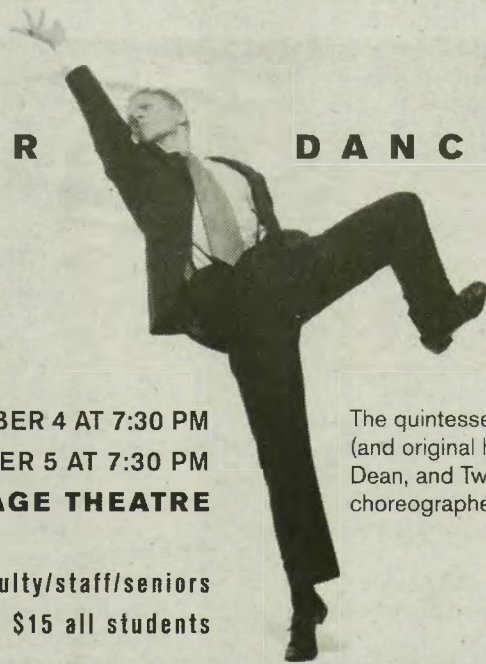
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## MLB

# Abreu's seven RBI, Matsui's 4-for-4 lead Yanks

*Detroit, Kansas City manage close wins*

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Bobby Abreu finished off the Devil Rays all by himself — in the first inning.

Abreu hit a three-run homer and a three-run double in a nine-run first and finished with a career-high seven RBIs on Tuesday night in the New York Yankees' 12-4 laughter over Tampa Bay.

Abreu became the first Yankees player with six RBIs in an inning since Gil McDougald in the ninth on May 3, 1951, at the St. Louis Browns, according to the Elias Sports Bureau, and the first major leaguer with six RBIs in the first since Oakland's Matt Stairs had a grand slam and a two-run single against the California Angels on July 5, 1996.

In his first game since breaking his left wrist on May 11, Hideki Matsui was 4-for-4 with four singles and a walk, tying his major league high for hits in a game.

Mike Mussina (14-6) pitched 6 1-3 shutout innings to win for the first time in six starts, and the Yankees lowered their magic number to nine for clinching their ninth straight AL East title.

New York (87-56) won its fourth straight and moved 31 games over .500 for the first time this season. The Devil Rays (56-86) dropped 30 games under .500 for the first time this year.

Abreu, who has 31 RBIs in 41 games since the Yankees acquired him from Philadelphia, homered off starter Tim Lincecum (4-8) for a 3-0 lead, a drive off an advertisement board attached to the

bottom of the upper deck in right field.

Coming to the plate as the 12th batter of the inning, Abreu doubled off reliever Brian Stokes to make it 9-0, the ball going just over the outstretched glove of left fielder Carl Crawford deep in the left-center gap.

## Tigers 3, Angels 2

Carlos Guillen hit two solo homers, including the game-winner leading off the ninth inning, to lift the Detroit Tigers to a win over the Texas Rangers on Tuesday night.

Guillen, who also homered in the second inning, was greeted at the plate by his teammates and manager Jim Leyland.

Marcus Thames tied the score with a solo shot in the seventh for the slumping Tigers won for just the sixth time in 19 games. Detroit, which had a 10-game lead over Chicago and 10 1-2 over Minnesota in the AL Central when play ended Aug. 7, began the day 1 1-2 games ahead of the Twins.

Fernando Rodney (7-3) pitched a perfect eighth and ninth to pick up the win.

Guillen was the only batter Ron Mahay (1-3) faced.

Texas' Gary Matthews Jr. hit a tiebreaking single in the top seventh, but Thames hit his 26th home run of the season in the bottom half.

Tigers starter Kenny Rogers gave up two runs and 10 hits in seven innings for his second straight no-decision after four straight wins.

Vicente Padilla allowed two runs and five hits in seven innings. He got out of a two-on, no out jam in the fourth, with an inning-ending double play. Padilla gave up six earned runs in each of his last two starts.

Wes Littleton gave up a walk to Craig Monroe in the eighth



Yankees outfielder Bobby Abreu watches the flight of his three-run home run in the first inning of New York's 12-4 win over Tampa Bay Tuesday. Abreu knocked in six runs during the inning.

but he was stranded at first.

Carlos Lee was caught trying to advance to second base on Mark DeRosa's long fly ball to left field in the second inning.

The Tigers turned a double play in each of the first three innings, and Rogers helped his caused defensively when he made a sliding stop along the first base line to throw out Nelson Cruz at first in the third.

Michael Young hit his 13th homer on the year in the fourth for the Rangers to tie the score at one.

With two on in the fourth, Hank Blalock singled to left field, but Monroe threw out Lee at home plate.

Monroe later reached first on a throwing error by Texas third baseman DeRosa. The replay appeared to show that Mark Teixeira made the tag.

## Royals 5, Indians 3

Kansas City pitcher Runelvys Hernandez and catcher John Buck exchanged punches in the dugout Tuesday night, but the Royals regrouped for a victory over the Cleveland Indians in the 1,000th game at Jacobs Field.

After striking out Ryan Garko with two runners on to end the third inning,

Hernandez (6-9) jogged to the dugout, pointed at Buck and began yelling. The players charged each other and began throwing punches before being separated by teammates and coaches.

Both players remained in the game, and Hernandez allowed three runs over five innings to earn the win.

He helped the Royals snap an

11-game losing streak at Jacobs Field, where the Indians are 570-430 since the ballpark opened in 1994. Kansas City had not won in Cleveland since July 20, 2005.

Esteban German went 4-for-4 and scored three times for the Royals.

He doubled leading off the ninth, went to third on a foul out and scored on a throwing error by right fielder Shin-Soo Choo to make it 5-3.

German is batting .351 (39-for-111) in his last 43 games following a 2-for-27 (.074) streak.

Joe Nelson pitched the ninth for his seventh save as the Royals got their 23rd road win, surpassing last year's total.

Mark Grudzielanek drove in two runs and Buck hit an RBI single.

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NFL

# Seahawks deal for Branch

*Patriots finally move disgruntled receiver for first-round pick*

Associated Press

KIRKLAND, Wash. — Even sore ribs couldn't contain Matt Hasselbeck's excitement over having former New England Super Bowl MVP Deion Branch to throw to as his newest Seahawks receiver.

Branch's arrival had Hasselbeck laughing Monday through ribs that hurt enough from the battering by the Detroit Lions a day earlier, he held them while jogging through a short conditioning session.

"It's going to be that much harder to defend our offense," Hasselbeck said of a unit that also has 2005 NFL MVP and rushing leader Shaun Alexander.

As happy as the Pro Bowl quarterback was, he thought of his father Don's reaction at the family home in Westwood, Mass.

"Oh, my dad loves the Patriots. If he had a fantasy draft, he'd pick Tom (Brady) over me," the younger Hasselbeck said.

Hours earlier, Seattle acquired Brady's favorite target-turned-holdout for a first-round draft choice in 2007.

"We still have to figure out how to get all the people on the field," coach Mike Holmgren said, smiling. "That's the chess game for our coaches right now."

The last time the Seahawks traded their first-round pick for a veteran player was March 2, 2001, when then-general manager Holmgren traded for Hasselbeck.

While the Patriots now are without their two top receivers from last season, every Seahawks player was grinning about getting Branch. He had been entering the last season of the five-year contract he signed as a rookie, but will be getting a new, long-term deal in the coming days.

"His representatives are flying in today," Seahawks general manager Tim Ruskell said. "Obviously, we wouldn't have done this without the gist of the deal getting done."

The league has given the Seahawks a two-week roster exemption for Branch to learn Holmgren's intricate offense. Branch will begin practicing this week, but Holmgren said he was unsure when Branch might make his Seattle debut.

"It's all good for us," Holmgren said.

Even members of Seattle's already crowded receiving corps thought so.

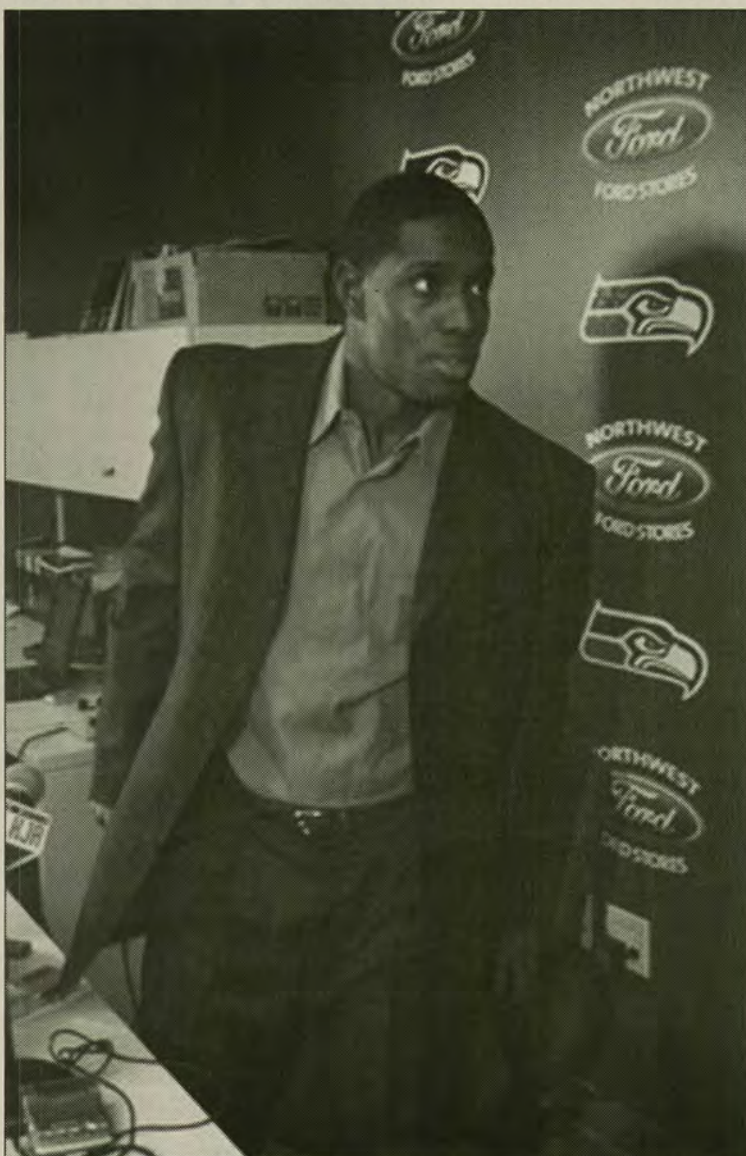
Sort of.

"I don't have no reaction," leading receiver Darrell Jackson said.

But then Jackson acknowledged the defending NFC champions are better with Branch.

"Anytime you get a player of his caliber, it makes you better," he said.

Jackson, who missed the preseason, had not practiced until last week following his second knee surgery in four months, in February. He



Seattle receiver Deion Branch leaves a press conference after signing a 6-year deal with the the Seahawks Tuesday.

played far more than expected in Sunday's 9-6 win over the surprisingly rugged Lions. The Seahawks also have veteran Bobby Engram, former Minnesota receiver Nate Burleson and 2005 surprise D.J. Hackett.

"Oh, man, I love it," said Burleson, signed in April to a \$49 million, seven-year contract as a free agent.

Burleson played the 2003 and '04 seasons with Vikings superstar Randy Moss. He said that's when he learned the lesson that "there's always enough food on the plate for everyone to eat."

"It's going to be tough for

defenses," Burleson said. "I can't even imagine putting four receivers on the field at a time and a defense focusing on one guy."

The Patriots at least get something out of the Branch impasse than fine money.

Branch held out of the Patriots' mandatory minicamp in June and all of training camp. He had been subject to a \$14,000 fine for each day he held out from July 28 through Monday.

"It's been a long process," Patriots coach Bill Belichick said. "I think we tried hard to make it work out. I think Deion tried hard. We tried."

# Raiders look to regroup after loss

*Oakland took 27-0 thrashing from San Diego Monday night*

Associated Press

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Art Shell was brought back to the Oakland Raiders to return the team to its level of the old days.

Only those days weren't supposed to be 1961, the only time the Raiders were blanked in a season opener before Monday night's 27-0 loss to the San Diego Chargers.

"I thought it was embarrassing the way we played," Shell said Tuesday. "We had all those fans out there rooting for us, and we didn't play good football."

A new coach, new quarterback and new attitude were supposed to restore Oakland's pride, but after one week it looks like the same old Raiders who won just 13 games the past three seasons, leading to coaches Bill Callahan and Norv Turner getting fired.

LaDainian Tomlinson ran through the defense with ease, as usual, the Raiders were unable to pressure San Diego quarterback Philip Rivers in his first start, and worst of all, the offensive line looked lost on the field against Shawne Merriman and the Chargers.

It added up to Oakland's first shutout since a 30-0 loss to Kansas City on Dec. 7, 1997, second shutout ever at home (along with a 17-0 loss to Denver in 1981), and first in an opener since a 55-0 loss to Houston in 1961. That game came two years before Al Davis even joined the franchise, and in a bad omen was followed by a 44-0 loss the next week at San Diego.

"As bad as we played tonight, there really is no way but up," running back LaMont Jordan said after the game. "I'm not concerned with what the out-

siders think. Once we do go out there and play well, those outsiders they're going to be supporting us. What I can say is, it's the first game of the season."

The biggest problem was the offensive line. With four players starting in different spots than they played last season, including rookie Paul McQuistan at right guard, the line looked overmatched.

The influence of Hall of Fame linemen Shell and assistant Jackie Slater was supposed to help young blockers like Robert Gallery flourish. But Gallery struggled as much in the opener at his natural position of left tackle as he did last year on the right side.

Aaron Brooks was under pressure all night and half of his six completions came on quick passes to Randy Moss after one-step drops.


"We didn't give our quarterback a chance last night," Shell said. "If you got breakdowns up and down the line of scrimmage, then you got problems. We have to go back and see what we can do schemewise to make sure we take care of some of those things as we move forward."

The Raiders allowed nine sacks in all, one more than the number of completions Brooks and backup Andrew Walter threw, and had only 67 total yards until a game-ending drive against mostly backups raised the total to 129.

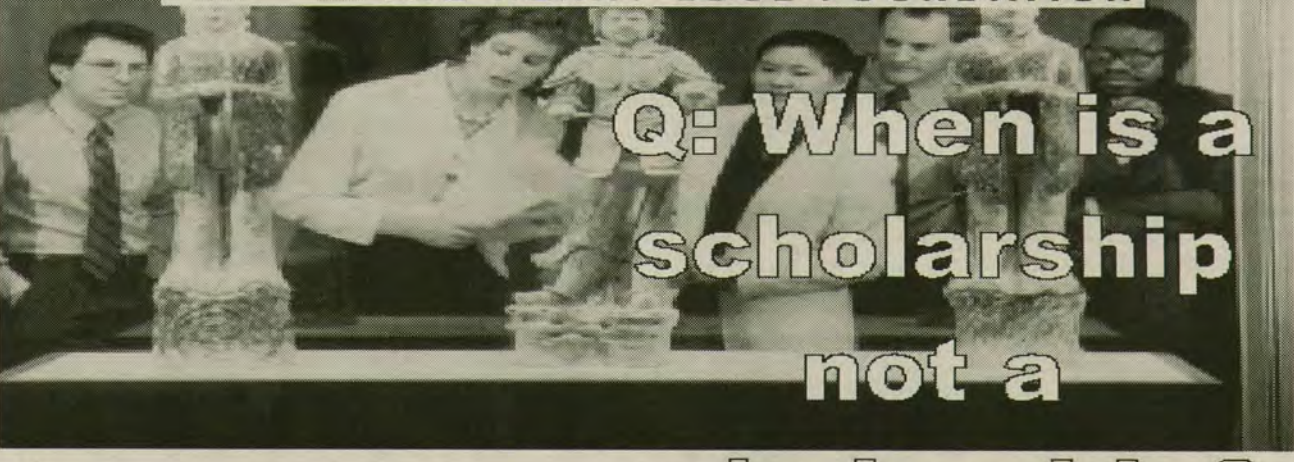
That's a shocking number for a team with Moss, Jordan and Brooks on offense.

"We have talent here, but the talent has to play," Shell said. "You can't talk about it, you have to go on the field and do it and we didn't do it last night."

To make matters worse, the Raiders now have a short week before flying cross-country to face Baltimore's dominating defense. Ray Lewis and the Ravens are coming off a 27-0 victory of their own against Tampa Bay.



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## NHL

# DiPietro inks huge deal with Islanders Tuesday

*Goaltender re-signs for 15 years and 67.5 million dollars*

Associated Press

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — The New York Islanders have become the NHL's version of a three-ring circus — and the spotlight keeps shining on the guys in net.

"I guess it's pretty beneficial to be a goaltender on Long Island right now," Rick DiPietro said Tuesday, moments after signing the longest playing contract in NHL history.

One week shy of his 25th birthday, the brash netminder from New England grabbed a pen and confidently inked his name to a 15-year deal that will pay him \$4.5 million each season until 2021, totaling \$67.5 million.

"Well, 15 years seems like a long time," he said before a deep sigh. "It is a long time."

Standing next to him was Garth Snow, his 37-year-old former teammate and backup, who hung up his skates earlier this summer the same day he took over as Islanders general manager. If that was strange enough, he was replacing Neil Smith, who had been on the job a little more than a month.

Snow's biggest priority suddenly became negotiating the

deal to keep the Islanders' most popular player in the fold until he's nearly 40.

"At first it was a little awkward," DiPietro said.

And so it goes for the Islanders, who always seem to make more news and noise during the offseason than in winter.

"This is not a big deal," owner Charles Wang said. "You have to have a commitment to who you're working with. I've done this all my business career. Now I'm doing it in sports and everybody is like, 'Oh my God. How could he do that?'"

He's been hearing that a lot. The Islanders missed the playoffs and then led the league in summer news conferences.

Since they last played, the Islanders have hired a coach (Ted Nolan) who was out of the league since being dismissed by Buffalo in 1997; a GM (Smith), in NHL exile since he was fired by the Rangers in 2000; and then his replacement (Snow), who was set to play another season.

DiPietro's landmark deal topped the one given to enigmatic teammate Alexei Yashin in 2001, a 10-year, \$87.5 million contract that sent NHL salaries soaring and led to the cap that ended last year's lock-out.

It also saddled New York with a player who is nearly impossible to move and takes up a big

chunk of the team's \$44 million maximum payroll.

"We have to do it together," said Yashin, one of several Islanders at the news conference. "The contract is the contract, and we have to keep focus on the game now."

But with the Islanders, the focus is often elsewhere. Wang acknowledged that some people might think he's "crazy," yet he is undeterred.

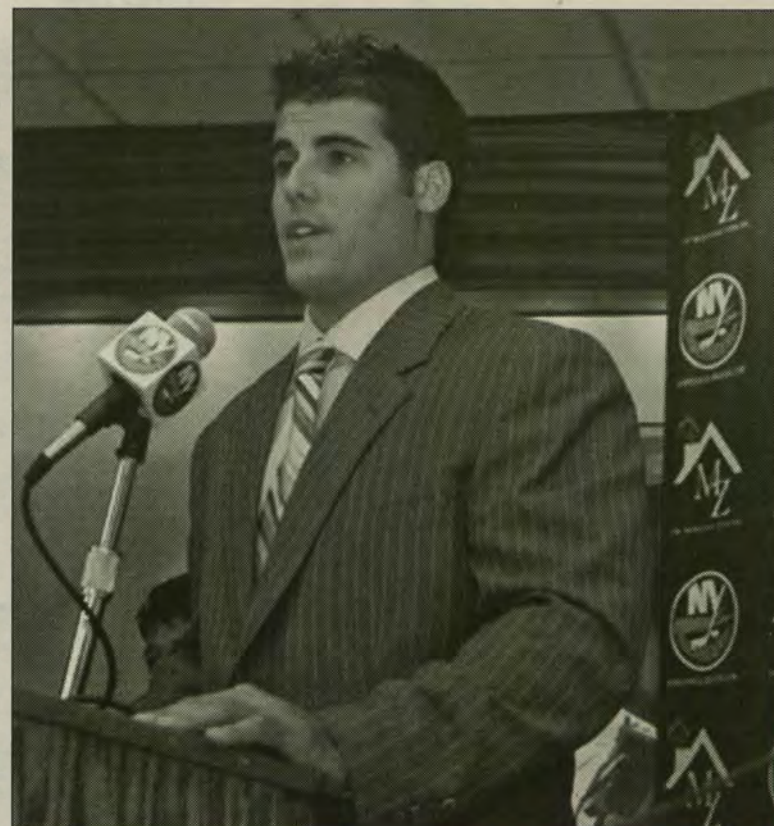
DiPietro's deal is believed to be second only in length in North American sports to the 25-year pact Magic Johnson signed with the Los Angeles Lakers in 1981.

"Clubs are free to make their own decisions" within the rules, NHL deputy commissioner Bill Daly said. "Time will tell whether this will be a good decision or a bad one for the Islanders." And for DiPietro.

The Islanders will save money at the front end and won't have to worry about DiPietro becoming an unrestricted free agent down the road. DiPietro risks losing a future big payday, but he isn't looking at it that way.

"I hope at some point I'm underpaid," DiPietro said. "That means I'm playing really well and becoming an elite goaltender."

The contract is guaranteed. DiPietro will be paid in full should he retire because of injury; if he ends his career otherwise before the deal



New York Islanders goalie Rick DiPietro, 24, addresses the media after signing a 15-year contract with the team.

expires, he would forfeit the remaining dollars.

He will be the eighth highest-paid goalie in the NHL. Chicago's Nikolai Khabibulin and Vancouver's Roberto Luongo top the list at \$6.75 million.

DiPietro was 30-24-5 with a 3.02 goals-against average in

63 games last season. He is 58-62-13 with a 2.85 GAA in 143 NHL games.

"I don't really think that salaries are going to go up that much more. How much higher can they go?" DiPietro said.

DiPietro and Wang talked about a 15-year deal last summer.

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2	Penn State (12)	8-0	2
3	UCLA (1)	9-0	3
4	Washington	8-1	5
5	Texas	5-2	7
6	Florida	6-1	6
7	Stanford	6-1	8
8	Santa Clara	6-1	4
9	USC	9-0	10
10	California	9-0	13
11	Wisconsin	6-1	11
12	Hawaii	5-3	9
13	Tennessee	8-1	12
14	Purdue	9-0	14
15	Ohio State	8-0	19
16	Ohio	6-2	17
17	Missouri	6-3	15
18	LSU	8-1	22
19	BYU	7-1	16
20	Pepperdine	4-4	18
21	Utah	6-2	24
22	Michigan	10-0	NR
23	Cal Poly	6-3	25
24	Arizona	7-2	21
24	Kansas State	8-2	NR

## NCAA Div. 1-AA Top 25

	team	record	points
1	New Hampshire	1-0	2513
2	Appalachian State	1-1	2469
3	Cal Poly	2-0	2230
4	Furman	2-0	2221
5	Montana	1-1	2058
6	Youngstown State	2-0	1952
7	Illinois State	1-1	1901
8	Richmond	1-0	1828
9	Massachusetts	1-1	1699
10	Hampton	2-0	1469
11	Delaware	1-0	1303
12	Northern Iowa	1-1	1208
13	Portland State	2-0	1129
14	McNeese State	1-1	1101
15	James Madison	1-1	1083
16	Southern Illinois	1-0	1061
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20	Montana State	1-1	670
21	UC Davis	1-1	653
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23	Texas State	1-1	390
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25	Alabama A&M	2-0	207

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	Name	Country	Pts. Avg.
1	Tiger Woods	USA	22.80
2	Jim Furyk	USA	8.99
3	Phil Mickelson	USA	8.70
4	Vijay Singh	Fiji	7.33
5	Adam Scott	Australia	6.82
6	Retief Goosen	S. Africa	6.56
7	Ernie Els	S. Africa	6.25
8	Sergio Garcia	Spain	5.89
9	Geoff Ogilvy	Australia	5.68
10	Luke Donald	England	5.56
11	Henrik Stenson	Sweden	4.82
12	David Howell	England	4.53
13	Trevor Immelman	S. Africa	4.46

## CYCLING



Lance Armstrong bikes down the Mente Pass during the 15th stage of the 1999 Tour de France. Two of Armstrong's former teammates have announced they used steroids while teammates with him.

## Armstrong replies to steroids claims

Associated Press

Lance Armstrong bristled Tuesday at a report that two former teammates admitted using performance-enhancing drugs, calling it "a hatchet job ... to link me to doping through somebody else's admission."

Frankie Andreu and another former Armstrong teammate who requested anonymity because he still works in cycling told The New York Times they used the endurance-booster EPO to prepare for the 1999 Tour de France, when Armstrong won the first of his seven titles.

Neither rider has ever

tested positive for performance-enhancing drugs and both said they never saw Armstrong take any banned substances.

"I think it's a pretty nasty attempt by The New York Times to link me to doping through somebody else's admission. You have to read way down in the article until Frankie says, 'I never saw Lance do anything.'"

"To me, this is a story about Frankie Andreu," Armstrong said during a telephone interview with The Associated Press from Los Angeles. "The fact he took drugs has nothing to do with me."

The Times first reported

the story on its Web site Monday night. Armstrong could not be reached for comment by the Times because he was attending a meeting of the Presidents Cancer Panel in Minneapolis.

"We feel the story is completely fair. It says in the eighth paragraph his teammates never saw him take drugs, and in next paragraph, that he always denied using performance-enhancing drugs," Times sports editor Tom Jolly said.

"They are two of his former teammates. Obviously, he was the star of that team and that's their claim to fame. The story never

accuses him of using drugs."

Andreu admitted taking EPO for only a few races and said he came forward now because he's worried doping is having a negative effect on the sport.

"There are two levels of guys," he told the paper. "You got the guys that cheat and guys that are just trying to survive."

Armstrong has devoted considerable time and money fighting doping allegations in the past, both during interviews and with lawsuits. He said any implication that he used performance-enhancers was "ludicrous."

## IN BRIEF

### FIFA to have Materazzi, Zidane apologize in 2010

File this one under silly ideas taken way too far:

Soccer king Sepp Blatter is working on a plan for the two to get together and resolve their differences in South Africa, where the 2010 World Cup is scheduled to take place. Actually, the meeting would be off the coast of South Africa on Robben Island.

If you haven't heard of Robben Island, it's never been known as a place for jolly summits. For the better part of four centuries, it served as a prison for political troublemakers and social outcasts.

Its most famous inmate was Nelson Mandela, who spent more than 20 years locked up there in a tiny cell that's now a museum.

The perfect place, it seems, for two soccer players to shake hands and maybe even exchange a hug or two.

"We are working on bringing together Zidane and Materazzi and

to bring to end this story," Blatter said Monday.

### USA topples China to open 2006 Women's World Basketball Championships

Sue Bird led all scorers with 20 points and Candace Parker had 12 points and 10 rebounds Tuesday to lead the two-time defending champion United States to a 119-72 victory over China on the opening day of the Women's World Basketball Championship.

Tina Thompson and Diana Taurasi had 17 points each and Seimone Augustus added 10 as the Americans recorded the most lopsided victory of the opening day.

Earlier in the day, Amaya Valdemoro scored 17 points and led Spain to an 87-57 win over South Korea.

Elisa Aguilar had 15 points, Marta Fernandez added 13, and Ana Montanana chipped in with 12 in the

nearby city of Barueri as the Spanish, whose male counterparts won the men's championship earlier this month, overcame 50 percent field goal shooting by outrebounding the South Koreans 39-18.

### Top seeds advance in first round of China Open

Third-seeded Marcos Baghdatis came back from a 4-1 deficit in the last set to beat Germany's Denis Gremelmayr 4-6, 6-1, 7-6 (5) in the first round of the China Open on Tuesday.

Baghdatis, the Australian Open runner-up, was also behind 5-3 in the tiebreaker.

Top-seeded Ivan Ljubicic led two other Croats — No. 4 Mario Ancic and Ivo Karlovic — into the second round.

Ljubicic defeated Go Soeda of Japan for his 50th win this year on the ATP tour. The world No. 3 entered the China Open late to help his bid for one of the six remaining berths in the season-ending Masters Cup.

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## NCAA FOOTBALL

# Hoeggner's MRI worrisome

*Indiana head coach will have potential brain tumor removed*

Associated Press

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Wins, losses and quarterback controversies can wait. For now, life weighs more heavily on Indiana's football program.

Hoosiers coach Terry Hoeggner is to undergo brain surgery Wednesday morning in Bloomington to remove a possible tumor from the right side of his head.

Hoeggner is expected to miss two to four weeks. Assistant head coach Bill Lynch will fill in for Hoeggner.

It's the second time since in less than nine months Hoeggner has needed surgery, and doctors fear its a recurrence of the tumor they removed in December from his right temple. But nobody's sure whether the growth detected in a routine scan Friday is cancerous.

"We're hoping it's scar tissue, that's what our prayer is," Hoeggner said during a Tuesday evening news conference. "These tests, as I've come to find out, give them a pretty good indication whether it's enough of a possibility either way. But we don't want to sit around and see what it is three to six months from now."

The 59-year-old Hoosiers coach has had periodic check-ups and scans since the first surgery.

On Friday, he went in for another MRI. Doctors got the results back over the weekend, but Hoeggner said they waited to meet with him until Monday — after the Hoosiers beat Ball State 24-23, their biggest comeback since 2002.

Neurosurgeon Marshall Poor said in a written statement there was evidence of a possible recurrent tumor, and Hoeggner's medical team offered several options.

"I said 'Can we do this in January or February?'" Hoeggner said while his wife, Jane, assistants and a few boosters watched. "And they said that's probably not a smart thing. So I'm deferring to their expertise."

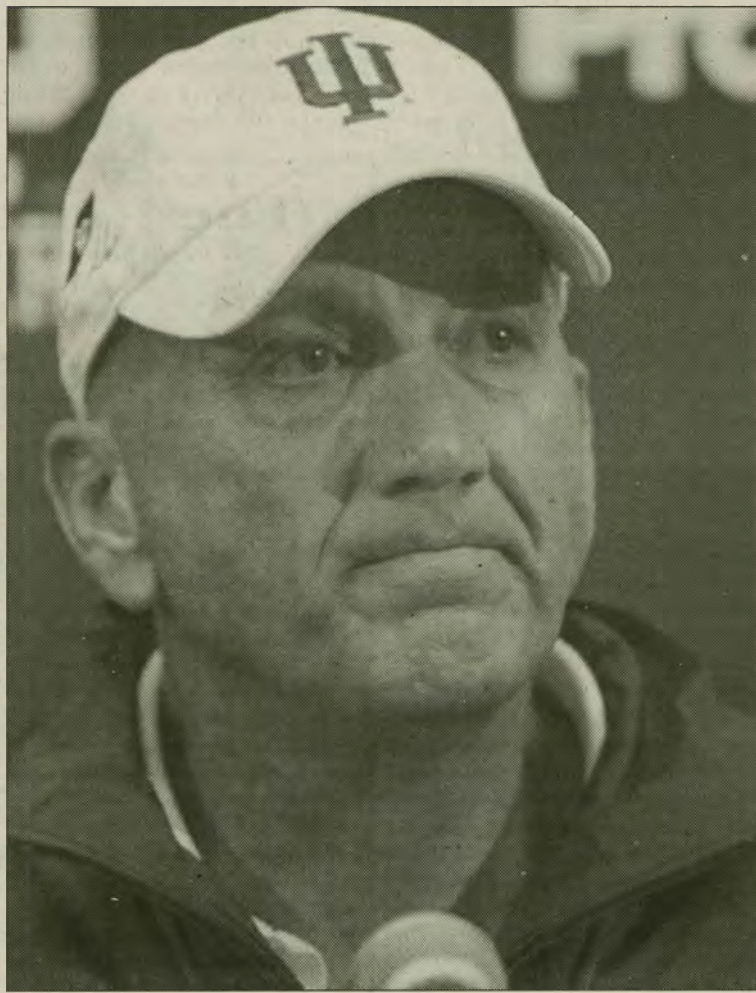
The news was a surprise.

Since having surgery last winter, and taking time off the recruiting trail, Hoeggner had eased his way back into coaching. In June, he told The Associated Press he felt great, and when fall practice began, his wife, children and grandchildren joined him on the sideline.

Ohio State coach Jim Tressel said Tuesday that Hoeggner appeared to be doing well during a coaches meeting in May and seemed better when they met again in July at the funeral for Northwestern coach Randy Walker. Walker, one of Hoeggner's close friends and his predecessor at Miami of Ohio, died of a heart attack at age 52.

"He's real positive, upbeat, he's a player's coach, highly competitive," Tressel said of Hoeggner. "When the game starts, he's as excited as anyone in the stadium."

Even Tuesday, Hoeggner said



Indiana coach Terry Hoeggner announces an MRI scan showed evidence suggesting he may have a brain tumor.

he felt well — a vast difference from the headaches that first prompted him to seek medical treatment in December.

"They're going to clean out the area, which means to cut something out," he said. "The good news is that they can do that area again without causing some peripheral side effects."

Hoeggner held his usual weekly news conference on Tuesday but never mentioned the illness after telling his assistants in the morning. He said he wanted inform his players personally, which he did before their afternoon practice.

Afterward, receiver Lance Bennett, one of the team's captains, gathered the team in prayer on the field.

"We walked into the locker room and saw a sign up that said team meeting at 2:30, so we didn't know what to expect," Bennett said. "When we got in there and heard that news, it was shocking. ... But he's upbeat, so it doesn't make it as depressing."

Hoeggner's health problems began late last year, after enduring his first losing season as a head coach. While on a trip to Cleveland to watch his prized pupil, Pittsburgh quarterback Ben Roethlisberger, Hoeggner began having headaches. Hoeggner coached Roethlisberger at Miami.

After returning to Bloomington on Dec. 26, Hoeggner underwent tests and had surgery the next day.

Roethlisberger was nearly killed in a motorcycle accident in June and recently had an appendectomy.

"Ben is the only person I called outside the family," Hoeggner said Tuesday, his voice quivering slightly. "He first said congratulations on the win and get another win this week. And call me when you get out of the hospital."

The Hoosiers were 4-7 in Hoeggner's first season and

are 2-0 for the third straight year. It's the first time Indiana has opened three straight seasons with back-to-back wins in 100 years. Hoeggner is 54-32 in seven-plus seasons as a head coach.

Lynch has an overall record of 81-67-3 as a head coach.

## MLB

# Tigers trapped in late-season swoon

*Detroit's bats have lost their pop after team's fast opening*

Associated Press

DETROIT — The Motor City skyline was draped in clouds, and a steady rain pattered on the tarp-covered field at Comerica Park. If things weren't gloomy enough in Detroit on Tuesday, the Tigers only needed to look at the AL Central standings.

One of the biggest stories of this baseball season has been the Tigers' surprising turnaround. With the playoffs just three weeks away, Detroit finds itself as the focus of another story line — its collapse.

At the end of the day on Aug. 7, Detroit was 76-36, eight games better than any other team. Their closest AL Central rival was Chicago at 10 games behind, with Minnesota facing a 10 1-2 game deficit.

Since then, the Tigers were 10-22 — only the Chicago Cubs were worse during that stretch in the majors — entering Tuesday's games. Their division lead had shrunk to 1 1-2 games over Minnesota and three games ahead of the White Sox.

Fans in Detroit, who finally have something to cheer about after years of lousy baseball and a team that's been largely ignored, are understandably worried.

Tigers manager Jim Leyland insisted he and his players are not panicking. He also acknowledged that they are, to a degree, watching the scoreboard.

"We're in a position to take care of our own fate," said Leyland, who helped Florida win the World Series in 1997 and was a two-time NL Manager of the Year in Pittsburgh. "We have to take care of our own business, but are you hoping (Chicago and Minnesota) get beat? Sure. To say it's not in the back of your mind, you're lying."

The truth is, Detroit is in danger of the worst free fall in a decade.

The Tigers were 84-51 after play Sept. 1, 5 1-2 games ahead of Chicago and six games ahead of Minnesota. If Detroit does not finish first in the division, it would be the largest flop entering the final month of the season since 1995, when the California Angels lost a 7 1-2 game lead, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

"If you're scared about what might happen, you shouldn't be here," pitcher Jeremy Bonderman said.

"We've been scuffling for the first time this year, but we still have the same guys that were here when things were going better."

They just aren't hitting as well. In the 32-game slide, the Tigers averaged just 3.6 runs and had a mere .247 batting average.

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## ND WOMEN'S GOLF

# Irish close in on team goals, finish 12th in S.C.

Team hovers around 300 in three rounds of Cougar Classic, can't crack top-10 of competitive tournament

By CHRIS HINE  
Sports Writer

Notre Dame posted scores near its team goals but managed only a 12th-place finish out of 18 teams at the Cougar Classic at Yeaman's Hall Club in Hanahan, S.C. Monday and Tuesday.

The Irish (301-300-305; 42-over par) finished 33 strokes behind tournament winner Florida State.

"We were happy with our team scoring," senior Noriko Nakazaki said. "It's just that the other teams played better."

Nakazaki led the way for the Irish, posting a 220 (76-72-72; plus-4) to tie for No. 14 overall in the tournament.

"I can definitely improve," she said. "I shot a 3-under on the front nine in my third round. I should have been under-par [Tuesday]. It was upsetting."

The Irish completed 36-

holes on day one, ending the second round at No. 11. The low round for Notre Dame on Monday came from sophomore Lisa Maunu, who fired a 1-under par 71.

Maunu finished the tournament tied for No. 20 overall with a score of 222 (71-75-76; plus 7).

"[Lisa's] attitude was very good," Nakazaki said. "She has improved a lot over last year and shot a great first round. She wasn't happy with her final two rounds though."

On Tuesday, Nakazaki's 72 was the low round for the Irish.

In her first tournament, freshman Annie Brophy compiled an 11-over 229, good for a tie

for 45th.

She compiled 11 birdies, tying her for No. 10 overall in the tournament in that category.

"Overall, I was pleased with how I played in the tournament," she said. "But there are definitely some things I need to work on, such as my short game. For our first tournament of the year, we played pretty well, but we can still play a lot better."

Freshman Kristine Wetzel (239, 83-75-81; plus 23) and senior Stacy Brown (243,

80-78-85; plus 27) also contributed scoring rounds for the Irish.

North Carolina's Lauren Hunt led all individual scorers with a 6-under par 210, while Florida State's Caroline Westrup shot the low round of the tournament on Tuesday with a 6-under 66.

Next on the Irish schedule is the Notre Dame Invitational at Warren Golf Course Sept. 23 and 24.

Before that begins, newly named head coach Susan Holt will join the team for the first time.

Holt is replacing former coach Debby King.

Assistant coach Kyle Veltri, who has led Notre Dame in the interim, will stay on as an assistant. Veltri could not be reached for comment Tuesday

as the team was flying back to South Bend.

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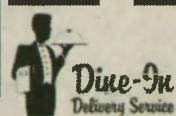
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## SMC VOLLEYBALL

# Squad hopes second match brings same end

By MICHAEL BRYAN  
Sports Writer

After a runner-up finish in the Baldwin-Wallace tournament last weekend, a confident Saint Mary's team will travel to face Albion tonight in a MIAA match.

The Belles started fast this season, winning eight of their first ten matches. Over the weekend at Baldwin-Wallace, the team swept all three of its matches in pool play before falling to the host and eventual champion Yellow Jackets 3-1 (30-27, 16-30, 30-19, 30-28).

Saint Mary's coach Julie Schroeder-Biek was impressed with the team's performance.

"We were able to play a strong and consistent game throughout the tournament and dominated the group play," Schroeder-Biek said. "The strength we showed in the tournament did wonders for our confidence."

Before the tough loss to Baldwin-Wallace, the Belles defeated John Carroll 3-0 (30-19, 30-23, 30-20) to finish undefeated in group play and advance to the final. St. Mary's easily defeated Lake Erie 3-0 (30-16, 30-8, 30-10) and Case Western 3-0 (30-22, 30-11, 30-23) on Friday.

The team faced Albion once already this season — the Britons were the Belles' first

opponent this year, in the Tri-State tournament. The Belles finished strong after a slow start, winning the match 3-2 (30-16, 27-30, 17-30, 30-10, 15-6).

Saint Mary's senior Kristen Playko led the winning effort with 15 kills. Libero Anne Cusack starred defensively with 19 digs and freshman Lorna Slupczynski added 12 digs and 11 kills. The win was one of four consecutive St. Mary's victories that led to winning the Tri-State tournament title.

Albion has not fared as well as the Belles, however, losing five of its first six matches.

The Britons are led by senior Kristen Slamer, who has tallied 53 kills on the season. Albion

coach Melissa Walton and the Britons look to turn their season around with a league victory at home.

Schroeder-Biek believes her squad will be up to the challenge.

"We've had a really balanced offensive attack and solid defense behind them," she said. "We still have things to fine tune, but our team now really knows our potential and believes that they can accomplish the high goals we have set for ourselves."

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## Belles

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said. "I just need to focus on staying positive and staying on the fairways."

After finishing 15th in their

last event — the non-conference Ferris State Invitational — Hamilton says the Belles have a lot on their plates as they seek their fifth-consecutive MIAA championship in 2006.

"We are looking to hit more consistently and improve from

last week," Hamilton said.

Belles sophomore Katie McInerney said Saint Mary's has a strong chance of placing at the top of the conference both this week and for the season.

"If the team continues to work as hard as we have been

doing and can bring the individual and team aspects of golf together, we should win our conference again," she said.

Hamilton said he is considering playing freshmen in this and upcoming events.

"The freshmen are improv-

ing every week," he said. "They are still adjusting to playing at the college level but the team is very pleased with their progress."

But for now, the Belles will have to concentrate on the task at hand, beating Tri-State and the seven other MIAA teams.

Sei believes the squad's hard work will translate into an improved performance today.

"I'm going to focus on my game," she said. "I'm not intimidated by any opponent. I'm just there to beat the course."

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# Weis

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Notre Dame focus will be shutting down these receivers while limiting a Wolverines rushing attack that has been strong in two games this season (249 yards per game, 4.9 yards per attempt).

Michigan coach Lloyd Carr has opted for a more run-dominated offense this year, using quarterback Chad Henne as a secondary option. The Wolverines have controlled the time of possession battle — averaging over 35 minutes per game.

But Notre Dame head coach understands how dangerous both receivers can be after experiencing them first hand in last September's 17-10 Irish win in Ann Arbor.

"We got indoctrinated by [Manningham]," Weis said about the Michigan sophomore in his press conference Tuesday.

Manningham (6-foot, 182 pounds) and Breaston (6-foot-1, 180 pounds) are both smaller receivers than Johnson, who Notre Dame limited to two catches for 16 yards in the second half. Johnson (6-foot-5, 235 pounds) was a much more physical threat than Michigan's pair.

And as a result, Breaston and

Manningham will pose different challenges. Breaston presents multiple threats as a receiver, kick returner and punt returner. He leads the team with six catches and 91 yards in two games this season. The senior also has two carries for 39 yards.

Manningham has one of two Michigan receiving touchdowns this year, and has five catches for 71 yards. He had three catches and 44 yards in the Wolverines' opener against Vanderbilt.

Weis said Tuesday his defensive backs are constantly handling the pressure of proving themselves on a game-by-game basis.

"The players have taken on the responsibility of being

consistently better ... because that one issue was playing one game, now it's can you do it another game," Weis said. "Now we're going into game three, can you do it another game because everyone is, 'Well, it's just two games,' and that's not the way they're thinking about things."

## Notes:

♦ Weis spoke Tuesday about the number of recruits that will be in town Saturday for the Michigan game. Being a Notre Dame graduate, Weis has a unique perspective on what to

show high school prospects when they visit.

He makes a point of giving recruits his own personal tour of campus — highlighting his own preferred parts of the University.

"My favorite part of the campus happens to be the Grotto and the lake to tell you the truth," Weis said. "For me on my golf cart, this is one spot where I get off the golf cart because for me ... it's something that always has great significance."

♦ It's no secret that Weis and New England quarterback Tom Brady have a tight bond — one that traces back to their three Super Bowls together with the Patriots.

But when Weis was asked Tuesday if the two will be discussing this week's game — Brady is a Michigan alumnus who lost a bet to Weis and was forced to wear an Irish hat during an interview last season — the Notre Dame coach offered an unexpected answer.

"We e-mail on a regular basis but we won't talk," Weis said. "Last year people got mad because he had to wear a Notre Dame hat, so I won't call him this year. I don't want to get myself in trouble like I did last year."

"I'll just e-mail him. I think he's more about getting ready for the Jets than he is worrying about Notre Dame and Michigan playing."

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# Spartans

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freshmen so as the season goes on we will continue to improve and work better as one unit," senior goalkeeper Nicole Leach said.

Both teams carry nine freshmen on their rosters and rely on the younger players to make a big impact in the games.

Manchester freshmen Stacey Jerke and Paige Koomler lead the Spartans in scoring with three goals each. Koomler began her collegiate career with an overtime game-winner in the 99th minute of the Spartans victory over Kalamazoo Sept. 2.

That's something that doesn't get past Belles coach Caryn MacKenzie.

"We need to work on staying more organized in the back," she said. "That is where we have a lot of inexperience and I think we will gain confidence as the year goes on."

The young defense will have

to improve quickly in order to shut down Koomler and Jerke this afternoon.

Sophomore Laura Hinton scored Saint Mary's lone goal against Albion. The strike came from 10 yards out early in the first half. Hinton also had two goals in a scrimmage against Anderson College Aug. 26.

Senior tri-captain Ashley Hinton assisted all three of Hinton's goals, along with getting off five shots of her own from the mid-field position.

The duo threatened to score several other times in the game but was not able to connect in the second half. Last year the pair combined for 18 goals.

The team will try to step up their offense against Manchester to keep control of the ball and give the young defense a chance to keep the game close.

"I think that just by having played our first game and gaining that experience we will show significant improvement," Leach said.

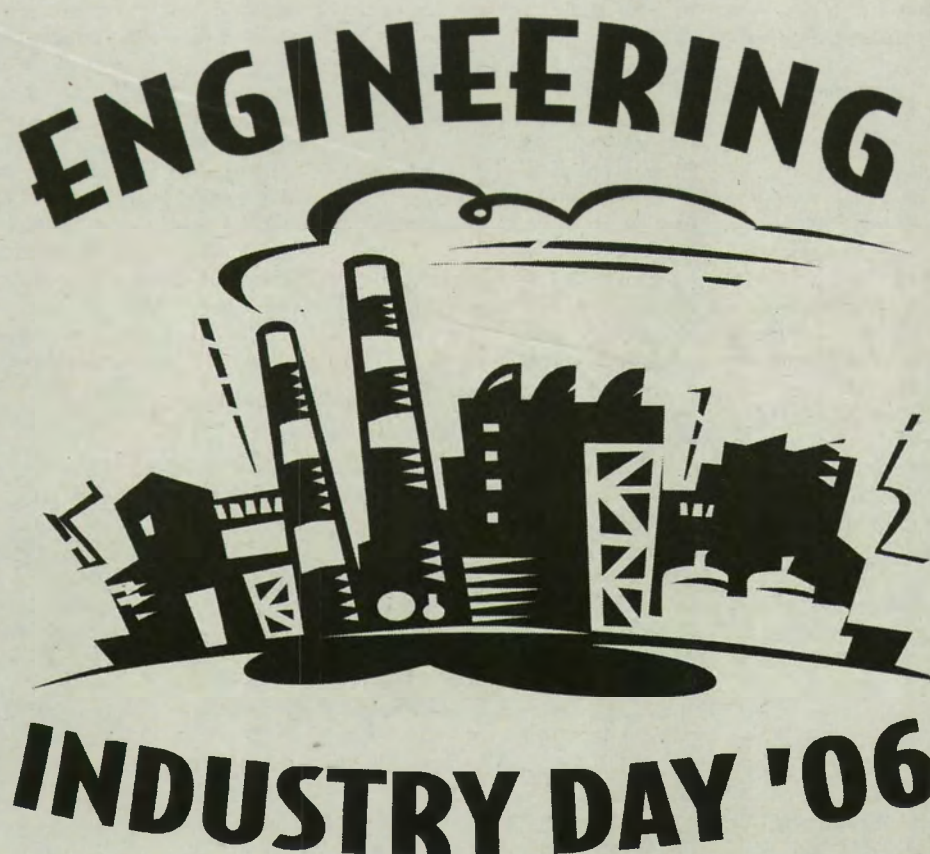
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**Thursday, September 21**

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# Recruits

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Mich.), Billy Maday (Burr Ridge, Ill.) and Calle Ridderwall (Stockholm, Sweden) round out the class of 2011.

The class will be joined in the 2008-09 season by U.S. Under-17 team forward Patrick Gaul of Pittsburgh, Penn. Gaul is the first verbal commit for the class of 2012.

"[Gaul] is one of the best in his recruiting class right now," Ruth said of his Under-17 counterpart.

Ruth, Phillips and Cole played on the same U-17 team, a squad that won the North Division of the North American Hockey League — a top-tier junior league — before losing to Cleveland in the second round of the playoffs.

Maday and Ridderwall will not be strangers when they join the Irish. The two forwards played last season on the top line of the Chicago Chill Midget Majors. The Chill lost 2-1 to the Boston Jr. Bruins in the 2006 USA Hockey Under-18 National Championship.

"It was the first year they played together, but it was one of those things where it looked like they played with each other since they were young kids," Chicago Chill head coach Anders Sorenson said of Maday and Ridderwall. "Last year at the midget level they were two of the best players out there — that's for sure."

## Elite junior talent

Ryan is the lone recruit to enter his second season in the USHL, which is the premiere American Tier 1 junior league. He will return to the league champion Des Moines Buccaneers, where he scored the game-winning goal to win the 2006 title over the Sioux Falls Stampede.

The 5-foot-11, 180-pound center was selected No. 17 overall in the 2005 USHL entry draft and had 14 goals and 23 assists in 60

games in his first Buccaneer season. Des Moines' fourth-leading points-scorer committed to the Irish on July 8, 2005.

"He's the kind of kid that I have to get him off the ice," Buccaneers head coach Regg Simon said. "He stays out extra on his own, does the extra work — the kind of guy you want to be your leader."

Simon said that Ryan is a complete center with good two-way skills and "excellent hockey smarts". Ryan chose Notre Dame over Michigan and Michigan State after Jackson attended one of his tryout camps and the center was able to discuss it with Simon.

"I believe Ben chose Notre Dame for the whole experience," Simon said. "To get the ND experience and to get the high-end academics. And to play for one of the best coaching staffs in the country."

Maday was selected No. 2 overall in the 2006 USHL entry draft by the Waterloo Black

Hawks, where he will play one junior season before joining the Irish. The right wing — opposite left wing Ridderwall — had 38 goals and 87 assists in 74 games for the Chill. His 125 points put him at the top of the AAA

midget Mid America Hockey League leaderboard last season.

Chill coach Sorenson said that Maday was a set-up man with a "great set of hands" and a superb ability to see the ice and anticipate the play. The 5-foot-11, 185-pound winger was unable to play more than five shifts in the Chill's 2006 national title loss to the Jr. Bruins due to a deep thigh bruise — an injury he fought and played through in the quarter and semifinals.

"I wouldn't say it was why we lost, but it was a big reason," Sorenson said.

Maday committed April 7 of this year to Notre Dame on the same day as Ridderwall.

Ridderwall however will not join Maday on Waterloo — the 5-foot-11, 165-pound left wing was



Photo Courtesy of Andrew Madden/U.S. National Team Development Program

**Defenseman Teddy Ruth skates during a U.S.A. hockey game. Ruth and two other players on the U.S. under-18 national team have verbally committed to Notre Dame.**

taken No. 19 overall by the Tri-City Storm in the 2006 USHL draft.

Ridderwall is a natural goal-scorer with a strong work ethic Sorenson said.

"He's got a really accurate and quick shot," he said. "A really quick shot."

He had 52 goals and 66 assists last year with the Chill.

"They both have the talent to do it," Sorenson said of Maday and Ridderwall succeeding at the collegiate level. "Both should be fairly successful but it's a big step from midgets to juniors and juniors to college. It's going to depend on how much they're willing to sacrifice off the ice and on the ice."

Irish sophomore Garrett Regan played for Waterloo, while juniors Brian D'Arcy and Mark Van Guilder, sophomore Christian Hanson and freshman Kyle Lawson played their junior hockey with Tri-City.

## Stars and Stripes

The three U.S. NTDP recruits — Phillips, Cole and Ruth — committed to the Irish separately, but will enter Notre Dame with two years as teammates — ones that will have played a more demanding schedule than most Division I colleges.

The U.S. Under-18's will play Michigan, Michigan State, Colorado College, Boston College, New Hampshire and North Dakota this season in a mixed schedule of junior and collegiate teams.

"I think in all three of those players right away its going to definitely infuse a lot of desire and passion in those players into [Notre Dame]," Rolston said. "Basically, [the Irish] have got players who are good leaders that have been through a lot of wars, especially playing in the college schedule this season."

Phillips, a 6-foot-1, 145-pound goalie, will enter Notre Dame to take the place of graduating senior goaltender Dave Brown. Phillips had a 21-14 record in 38 games and held a 2.39 goals against average with a .922 save percentage for the U.S. Under-17's last season.

"I talked with someone that said [Phillips] was a ridiculous goalie," Gaul said.

Rolston said that Phillips was a very athletic goalkeeper who uses his size well. Phillips was a strong positional goalie with loads of talent, he said.

Phillips committed Nov. 11, 2005, but is not the first member of his family to attend Notre Dame. His grandfather and uncle — former Irish quarterback

Terry Andrysiak — are both graduates.

"[Andrysiak] told me the truth, everything about the school — the good, the bad — but overall it was my decision," Phillips said regarding his uncle's advice.

Phillips chose the Irish over Boston College in part because Jackson and his staff pursued the national team goaltender harder.

The first commit of the class was 6-foot-1, 210-pound defenseman Ian Cole, who committed May 30, 2005.

Cole received a scholarship offer for Notre Dame as a high school freshman — from former Irish head coach Dave Poulin — but chose not to commit until several weeks after Jackson took over the team. He committed after he made a visit to Jackson in South Bend and was convinced that Notre Dame was the right school to choose.

"I tried to work on [Phillips and Ruth] a little bit and make a good impression on them to put Notre Dame in a good light," said Cole of the advantage of being the first in the class. "So I guess it worked pretty well."

Cole had four goals and 12 assists in 70 games for the Under-17's and collected 103 penalty minutes — a sign of his dominating physical presence on the ice.

Rolston said Cole was big and strong, but a puck-moving defenseman that can contribute offense from the point as well. He chose the Irish over defending national champion Wisconsin and Miami, Ohio.

Ruth is a very similar player to Cole, Rolston said — a large defenseman with offensive capabilities. The 6-foot, 190-pound player had three goals and eight assists with 82 penalty minutes last year on the Under-17's.

"[Ruth and Cole] will probably generate most of their offense coming in late into the play," Rolston said. "On offense, both have good vision with the puck — [they] make a good outlet pass."

Ruth committed May 10 and chose Notre Dame over CCHA rivals Michigan State and Miami. He was the latest player for the 2007-08 class to give his word to the Irish.

However, the prior commits of Phillips and Cole were not the main influence for him to choose Notre Dame, Ruth said.

"To be honest, Notre Dame is an amazing school," he said. "The education is top-notch, and I absolutely love Jackson, [assistant head coach Paul] Pooley and Slaggert. I just wanted to play for them."

Gaul is the newest verbal commit for the Irish — he gave his word to the team Aug. 9 to enter in the fall of 2008. He made his decision a week before the Under-17's won the Three Nations Tournament in Rochester, New York.

The 5-foot-8, 165-pound forward played for the midget major Pittsburgh Hornets before he entered the NTDP this season.

"Whenever I'd talk to [Jackson] about committing and all that, he would be like, 'I'm not trying to put pressure on you — it's a big decision and I don't want you to make a decision you will regret'," Gaul said. "You could tell they weren't just trying to recruit me — they wanted me to make the right decision."

Gaul and his parents talked about the school and decided that Notre Dame was a better fit than Denver, Boston College and New Hampshire. Gaul knows all about the older, Under-18 commits and the USHL recruits, several of whom he played against at the midget level.

"I played against Calle [Ridderwall] and Billy [Maday] and they're both just great offensively talented players," he said. "And when you throw in the good two

defensemen and the goalie — it's looking good for Notre Dame's future."

Notre Dame's future appears promising to not only Gaul and the Class of 2011 recruits, but to someone far more intimate with Jackson and his hockey philosophy.

"As far as [Jackson's] reputation in the game and ability to coach and win championships — just having somebody of that stature will help recruiting," Rolston said. "And the name — everyone knows in Canada, the States — everyone has heard of Notre Dame."

And if Jackson, Slaggert and Pooley continue to bring in elite recruiting classes yearly, everyone will know Notre Dame for a new reason — hockey.

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Photo Courtesy of Andrew Madden/U.S. National Team Development Program

**Defenseman Ian Cole pivots and stares down the play in a national team game. Cole is one of six Irish commits for the Class of 2011.**







## HOCKEY RECRUITING

# Magnificent 7

*Standout prospects tell Irish coach they'll play for Notre Dame*

By KYLE CASSILY  
Sports Writer

Jeff Jackson's rebuilding plans for Notre Dame have taken him back to his roots.

The second-year Irish coach and the team's recruiting specialist, Andy Slaggert, have secured three verbal commitments from players on the U.S. Under-18 national team — where Jackson served as coach and senior director of the National Team Development Program (NTDP) for four years — and three more from the country's top junior hockey league.

And that, one recruit says, has given the Irish "the top one or two" recruiting class for the 2007-08 season.

The four years Jackson spent with the NTDP wasn't the only connection he had to a program that produced current Irish seniors Josh Sciba and Michael Bartlett and past Irish stars Brett Lebda and Rob Globke.

Ron Rolston, current head coach of the U.S. Under-18 team, served as associate head coach during Jackson's 10-year tenure at Lake Superior State from 1986 through 1996.

**2007-08 IRISH COMMITS**

Player	Commit Date	Current Team
<b>CLASS OF 2011:</b>		
Ian Cole	May 30, 2005	U.S. Under-18
Brad Phillips	Nov. 11, 2005	U.S. Under-18
Teddy Ruth	May 10, 2005	U.S. Under-18
Ben Ryan	July 8, 2005	Des Moines Buccaneers
Galle Ridderwall	April 7, 2006	Tri-City Storm
Billy Maday	April 7, 2006	Waterloo Black Hawks
<b>CLASS OF 2012:</b>		
Patrick Gaul	Aug. 19, 2006	U.S. Under-17

*Notre Dame recruit Ben Ryan of the USHL Des Moines Buccaneers skates up ice. Ryan is one of seven top players who have verbally committed to Notre Dame coach Jeff Jackson.*

*Illustration by Ken Fowler/Observer Graphic*

Rolston is also the brother of Brian Rolston — the star of Jackson's 1992 national champion Lakers and now a center for the Minnesota Wild.

"With [Jackson] being [with the NTDP], he knows the environment the kids are put in here," Ron Rolston said of the NTDP, located in Ann Arbor,

Mich. "He knows that if he gets a player out of here, they're going to be ready to go as freshmen and be able to contribute right away just from the surroundings and environment they're put in there."

Goaltender Brad Phillips (Farmington Hills, Mich.), defensemen Ian Cole (Ann

Arbor, Mich.) and Teddy Ruth (Naperville, Ill.) committed to Notre Dame from the U.S. Under-18's prior to the Nov. 8-15, 2006 early letter-of-intent signing period.

United States Hockey League forwards Ben Ryan (Brighton,

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## SMC SOCCER

# Spartans open road schedule

*Saint Mary's looks to avenge 2-1 loss to Albion in first game*

By DAN MURPHY  
Sports Writer

It's back on the road again for Saint Mary's today as the Belles travel to North Manchester, Ind., to take on the Manchester Spartans.

After beginning the season with a 2-1 loss to Albion Sept. 6, the Belles look to even their record at one against the Spartans.

Manchester (2-2) also comes into the contest after a tough loss in its last game. The Spartans fell to Marian in overtime Saturday. Marian forward Casey Williams knocked in a goal two minutes into the extra period to break the scoreless tie.

Saint Mary's will look to build on the experience gained in last week's loss as the young team continues to build chemistry and confidence.

"Almost half the team are

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## FOOTBALL

# Weis aware of receivers' talent



Irish coach Charlie Weis answers questions Tuesday during his weekly press conference at the Guglielmino Athletics Complex.

*Coach prepares for fast Manningham, versatile Breaston*

By BOB GRIFFIN  
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's highly scrutinized secondary heading into 2006 has turned a few heads so far this season — shutting down Georgia Tech wide receiver Calvin Johnson in the second half of a 14-10 win Sept. 2 and holding Penn State quarterback Anthony Morelli to 189 yards passing Sept. 9.

Saturday's matchup with Michigan will serve as another test. Given the dynamic receiving combination of Steve Breaston and Mario Manningham — a major

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## SMC GOLF

# Belles take on familiar opponents in Jamboree

*Team hopes to start MIAA title defense with a strong showing*

By BECKI SLINGER  
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's coach Mark Hamilton is looking for some payback when the Belles compete in the MIAA Jamboree today at The Medalist Golf Club in Marshall, Mich.

Although Albion is hosting the tournament, Hamilton said the Britons aren't the Belles main concern.

"Albion is a strong opponent, but Tri-State is our big competition," Hamilton said. "They've beaten us twice so

we are looking for a little revenge on them."

Saint Mary's will send six players to the 6,000-yard, par-72 course, and three of the golfers have played The Medalist before.

"In the past the course has given us some trouble," Hamilton said, referring to the club's layout.

The Medalist course, features a hole that requires a tee shot over a hill and another hole, nicknamed "The Little Terror," because it is bordered by wetlands. Sophomore co-captain Alex Sei said she must take the course one shot at a time.

"I can't concentrate on the difficulties of the course," she

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## SPORTS AT A GLANCE

### SMC VOLLEYBALL Belles at Britons

Saint Mary's takes on Albion tonight for the second time this year. The Belles won the first meeting 3-2.

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### ND WOMEN'S GOLF Cougar Classic

The Irish score close to their goal of 900 but finished 12th in the competitive tournament.

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### CYCLING Steroid Allegations

Lance Armstrong once again denies doping after two of his former teammates admit to using illegal drugs.

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### NHL

The Islanders sign 24-year-old goalie Rick DiPietro to a record 15-year contract worth \$67.5 million.

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### NFL

The Seattle Seahawks acquire wide receiver Deion Branch in a trade with the New England Patriots Tuesday.

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### MLB

#### Yankees 12 Devil Rays 4

New York outfielder Bobby Abreu has six RBIs in the first inning as the Yankees rout Tampa Bay.

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