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Students speak about Islamic life on campus



Muslims juggle religion, customs, class and culture at Notre Dame

By SARAH MERVOSH News Editor

Editor's note: This is the first installment of a two-part series about Muslim students who attend the University of Notre Dame.

Junior Hiba Ahmed wore a dress and leggings to class Friday, but by mid-afternoon, she was standing in the parking lot of the local mosque, dressed in traditional Pakistani clothing.

She used the reflection in her SUV's window to wrap a scarf around her head, adjusting it so that it covered stray strands of hair, and headed up a small hill toward the door women use to enter the mosque.

Ahmed, one of the few Muslim undergraduate students who attend Notre Dame, left her shoes at the door and entered the section of the mosque designated for women.

"Women and men pray separately in order to try and minimize any distractions," Ahmed said. "A very attractive woman could potentially be distracting to some guy while he's trying to connect with God."

Though men and women are physically separated, the congregation prays aloud together, led by an imam, the Islamic version of a priest. Muslims from around the South Bend area trickled in during the service and sat down on the floor in the selfmade rows of the congregation. Some wore more traditional Islamic clothing, while one boy wore his high school football jersey and a man attended in hospital scrubs.

During the service, which lasted about 45 minutes, the congregation said verses of the Quran aloud as they repeated kneeling, bowing and putting their foreheads to the ground.

"The kneeling and the bowing and putting our foreheads to the ground are a physical man-

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Top photo: men pray at the mosque of the Islam Society of Michiana (ISM) in South Bend on Friday. Bottom: Notre Dame junior Hibn Ahmed prays the traditional jumu'ah prayer Friday at the ISM.

Alumni enjoy working for alma mater

By LAURA McCRYSTAL News Editor



Lyons hosts 17th 5k Mara Fox Run

Stephanie Mola graduated from Notre Dame in 2009 and moved to Florida to work for Johnson & Johnson, but a "Notre Dame itch" brought her back to South Bend a year later.

"Along the way there just seemed to be a big part of me missing and a lot of it pointed me back here," she said. "And this just kind of fell in my lap and seemed like the perfect fit."

Now, as the Notre Dame Alumni Association's young alumni programs manager, Mola is one of many young graduates to work for her

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2010 Notre Dame alumnus John Whitty now works in the athletic department for the Joyce Grants-in-Aid Program.

By NICOLE TOCZAUER News Writer

What started out as a chilly morning broke into an interlude of sunshine just long enough for the runners to weave their way around the 5k Mara Fox course Saturday.

Over 300 people participated in the 17th annual Mara Fox Run sponsored by Lyons Hall, event co-commissioners Melissa Buddie and Erika Miller said.

During this brief burst of warmth, runners and volunteers gathered to celebrate the life of Mara Fox, a freshman in Lyons Hall who was killed by a drunk driver on Nov. 13, 1993. Coming to Notre Dame from northern Virginia, Fox intended to study as a psychology and Spanish double major.

The money raised from the run goes toward a scholarship that supports students to study abroad in Toledo, Spain, where Fox had dreamed of traveling, Fox's mother Teresa McCarthy said.

"We're now sending a minimum of two students

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Leprechaun David Zimmer does pushups in a crowd of Notre Dame fans after Notre Dame's second touchdown against Boston College during the game Saturday.

OFFBEAT

Las Vegas death ray endangers guests

LAS VEGAS – MGM **Resorts** International is taking the heat for an intense beam of searing desert sunlight, jokingly dubbed the "death ray," that some hotel guests say poses a risk of severe burns to bathers lounging poolside.

The beam is actually a concentrated reflection of solar rays bouncing off the

to the reflection as the 'death ray," but MGM Resorts officials prefer to call it a "solar convergence phenomenon."

"The refraction moves across the pool deck over a period 90 minutes," company spokesman Gordon Absher told Reuters. "It's never in the same place from day to day or week to week because the sun its changing its elevation in the sky."

charity — but mistakenly directed callers to a sex line, the player's agent said on Thursday.

"The wrong number was given by the Feed the Children charity,' Ochocinco's agent Robert Bailey said. "It's a shame because it's a good cause."

A portion of the \$5 price of each box goes to the Feed The Children organization, according to PBL's website.

IN BRIEF

The Basilica of the Sacred Heart will be holding a special Mass in honor of the Feast of St. Francis — Patron Saint of the Environment tonight at 5:15 p.m. The public is welcome to this free Mass. Afterward, there will be celebratory nature-themed desserts available in North and South Dining Halls.

The Office of Sustainability will be hosting "Catholics Confront Climate Change" tonight at 8 p.m. in the Geddes Hall Coffeehouse. The public is welcome to join in this free presentation given by Dan DiLeo of the Catholic Coalition on Climate Change. The program is sponsored by the Office of Sustainability, the Center for Social Concerns, the Department of Theology, and Campus Ministry.

Online Regestration for Session 2 Swim Lessons will be open from 8 a.m. to midnight online via recsports.nd.edu. Students, faculty and staff are welcome to take this RecSports class held at Rockne Memorial Pool. The classes will begin Oct. 25 and end Nov. 21.

Students. faculty and staff can still sign up for Work Off You Weekend personal training packages. Each package purchased on any Monday until Nov. 29 will receive 10 percent off. This offer is available through RecSports.

Free seasonal influenza vaccines will be available Oct. 5, 6, and 7 through University Health Services. Students, faculty, staff, retirees and spouses of retirees are encouraged to get these at

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Saint Mary's hosts annual Memory Walk

By CAITLYN HOUSLEY News Writer

Saint Mary's was a sea of purple Sunday as it hosted the Alzheimer's Association's annual Memory Walk.

This was Saint Mary's second year hosting the event. Community members, students and faculty gathered in order to raise awareness for Alzheimer's Disease, a brain disorder that destroys cells and leads to memory loss and death.

According to Michael Sullivan, the director of Public Policy and Advocacy of Indiana's Alzheimer's Association, this year's event attracted more walkers than last year, gathering around 150 people.

Alzheimer's was declared the sixth leading cause of death," Sullivan said. "Even if a cure cannot be found, just slowing the progress of the disease will be beneficial."

Sullivan is a strong supporter of raising awareness, as well as advocacy for federal funding of Alzheimer's treatment.

The course of the Memory Walk ran throughout Saint Mary's campus.

"I always teach my children that education is key. It is the one thing that cannot be taken away from you." Regional Director Melissa Barile said. "No. We are all wrong. Alzheimer's can take all of our education — no matter when we learned it — away from us."

For this reason, Barile stressed raising awareness and funding for Alzheimer's research is just as vital as education of the disease.

"My biggest hope is that [the event] does raise awareness. I've been working with the Association for many years now and have visited many places, but each time it's like I've just begun," Barile said.

"Awareness needs to increase. Education, education, education and support are key.

Sullivan said he hoped the event would raise awareness about the Association, as well. It provides educational services, support groups, a 24-hour help line and more, all free of charge. The Association is the largest support group of the disease nationally and internationally.

Many Saint Mary's students gathered to help provide support and to remember loved ones who had the disease.

Juniors Jessica Cross and Laura Wilkerson walked to remember their grandmothers.

"I used to always do this with my family, but it's my first time walking in South Bend," Cross said. "It's so nice to see a good turn out."

Joi Pugh, a Saint Mary's sophomore, walked to remember her great-grandmother.

"I'm walking to raise awareness. It's my first time participating in the Memory Walk, and I'm very excited," Pugh said. "I posted it to my Facebook, and I even signed up my roommate to walk with me."

Barile said she hopes to see the event grow bigger and bigger every year.

"If you could see the impact of the disease on the family the children, grandchildren, no matter the age group, you would see just how many lives this disease affects and why it is so important to raise awareness now," she said.

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GRC holds annual body image week

By AMANDA GRAY News Writer

For the seventh consecutive year, the Gender Relations Center (GRC), in alliance with several other on-campus groups and offices, will be celebrating a week to increase awareness about body image and eating disorders.

From today through Sunday, Body Image and Eating Disorders Awareness Week will host events throughout campus on a variety of topics within the larger discussion.

"We want people and students talking to each other about body image," Heather Racokzy Russell, program director for the GRC,

said. "We don't want them to be silent about these things. At the very least people will realize they don't have to be alone in these things.

Finding Balance in College: How to do it with your Healthy Voice is the first women-only event in the history of the week is tonight at Legends from 8:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. The event will feature Meredith Terpeluk, a Notre Dame graduate and president of a wellness and life coaching company. Russell said she will bring a unique viewpoint to the lecture because she knows what the environment is like on campus.

Tuesday night will feature the Mass of Healing at 10 p.m. in the Dillon Hall Chapel. "The Mass of Healing puts a

special Notre Dame spin on this kind of thing," Russell said.

panel, Perfectly The Disordered: Eating Disorders, Body Image and College Life, is Wednesday night in the Eck Center Auditorium. The panel will feature talks from students as well as Valerie Staples, a staff psychologist from the University Counseling Center.

"This will offer a much broader perspective," Russell said.

Russell said attitudes at Notre Dame can serve a breeding ground for body image problems and eating disorders.

"Notre Dame is an environment where competition and perfection run rampant," she said. "We need to work together to overcome obstacles and head in the direction of recovery."

Public service announcement put together by the Week's organstudents wouldn't battles these issues," Russell said. "It's actually much more likely with highachieving students to experience these issues.'

Other events this week include a poster campaign and an event with AcoustiCafe.

The poster campaign, called "This Is My Student Body," is continued from something student government started last year, senior Mariah McGrogan said. McGrogan is co-chair of the Gender Issues Committee for Student Senate and works as a student assistant with the GRC.

"It's an idea that takes inspiration from the Dove 'Real Beauty' campaign," McGrogan said. "The 'Real Beauty' campaign is about not feeling anxiety about your natural beauty.'

The posters have images of students, along with quotes and Notre Dame images to make the campaign speak to the campus about awareness.

"The Week is a good healing experience for those who've dealt with eating disorders or body images issues," she said. "But it's also important to raise awareness ...We need to check ourselves with our language and dieting habits.'

The AcoustiCafe event will feature the regular musicians of AcoustiCafe with songs, spoken word pieces and information about body image and eating disorders.

"The nice part about the AcoustiCafe event is we're taking a signature staple event at Notre Dame and asking them to feature this issue," she said. "We hope the regulars are exposed to something they wouldn't have typically attended." Russell said students should talk to someone if they are experiencing problems with these issues. "It's so important for them to talk to one person they can trust," she said. "Not someone who will support putting them down when they say things like, 'I feel fat.' They need someone who they can reach out to for help." The Week is sponsored through the GRC, in collaboration with the University Counseling Center, Student-Athlete Welfare and Development, Feminist Voice and student government.



izers will run in Saturday's football program.

"Eating disorders are serious, life threatening illness - not choices," the announcement states. "It is important to recognize the pressures, attitudes and behaviors that contribute to the development of eating disorders and body image concerns.'

Russell said this is the first time the week has run anything in the football program, but she is hoping it will help with the cause.

The point is for outreach to the larger community," she said. "This is an issue Notre Dame students are concerned about."

More than 10 million females and 1 million males battles with an eating disorder, the announcement states.

"Some people perceive that Notre Dame students have it all together and that Notre Dame

Visit grc.nd.edu for more information.

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Students

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ifestation of the idea of devoting yourself, worshiping and submitting to God," Ahmed said.

Attending mosque every Friday is just one of several customs Ahmed and other Muslim students carry out while attending Notre Dame.

Ahmed, who considers herself to be slightly more than moderately religious, prays five times a day - fulfilling one of the five pillars of Islam.

"In the morning I actually make sure to get up 20 to 30 minutes earlier in order to pray and to read the Quran," she said. "I read the Quran every morning.'

The additional four prayer times are around lunchtime, midday, sunset and before going to bed. Ahmed said she will spend anywhere from five to 40 minutes praying each time.

"I think the minimum is five to 10 minutes, if you are rushed. You can make it much longer than that," Ahmed, who is a Sunni Muslim, said.

Sophomore Sadaf Meghani, an Ismaili Muslim, which is a sect of Shia Islam, said she prays three times a day.

"That's more according to how we interpret the Quran," she said.

The Islamic religion separat-ed into two sects — Sunnis and Shias — due to differences in how Muslims in the 600s believed they should be led, and who should lead them, after the prophet Muhammad died. While major beliefs remain the same, the separation resulted in slight differences in how they pray, fast and interpret the Quran today, Ahmed said.

Meghani said she does not attend the local mosque because it is more directed at the Sunni sect of Islam.

"The closest place that I can pray is in Chicago," she said. 'So I've gone there once when I was here, but because it's so far, I don't really have time to make the trip."

Ahmed said her religion pervades many aspects of her life, including how she dresses. Though she does not wear a scarf on her head, other than to the mosque, she always covers up her legs and wears shirts with sleeves.

"Technically I'm supposed to be covering my entire arms, my entire legs and wear a scarf, but just like anything else, the degree to which you practice your religion is a matter between you and God," she said. "It's a very personal issue."

Ahmed said in America no one is forcing Muslim women to cover themselves and it is generally a personal choice. "It's a very romantic idea to me the fact that the only man that will only get to see me with less clothing will be my husband," she said.

Mara

inquire about me to my par-

ents, but I kind of have a veto

power now a days," he said.

'Or I can find my own person."

rving a Muslim girl.

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God.

But Malik still plans on mar-

"It's definitely probably going

to be a Muslim girl," he said.

"Ideally, I'd find someone

myself, probably when I get out

Though growing up in America and staying true to a

traditional religion can some-

times come into conflict, these

students said the key is bal-

ance, and being comfortable

with their relationship with

For example, Ahmed said she

wore a short, strapless dress to

her homecoming dance senior

year of high school, but wore

who I am," she said. "Each

individual has to have the self

confidence to be who they are

this series will examine how

Muslim students experience life

at a Catholic university. It will

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and still feel like they fit in.'

"I've never felt bad about

tights and a cardigan with it.

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each spring," she said. "One year we sent three."

Each applicant must write an essay about how they embody Fox's characteristics and how they would help others while abroad. McCarthy said Fox instinctively knew she wanted to help others.

"Éventually, when Mara got her degree she wanted to work with children in the Hispanic community," she said. Pointing to her heart, McCarthy continued, "She just had this great love for people, and she knew it right from here.

Buddie and Miller contacted alumni and businesses to further support this cause. With alumni donations, funds gained from race registration and sponsorships from several companies, Buddie said more than \$3,000 was raised. These included companies Chipotle, Between the Buns, Outback Steakhouse and Luna Bars.

PILLARS, a group on campus aimed at increasing alcohol awareness, and the Office of International Studies also worked to honor Fox's memory by promoting the event. McCarthy said she is grateful to all participants, but especially Lyons rector Denise McOsker, who has helped continue the event every

year. "I appreciate PILLARS coming in, and these young women putting in the amount of work that goes into this," she said. "But I want to really thank Denise. She's been a very happy, faithful person all this time.'

The race itself was a 5k that stretched down South Quad, wound around Saint Mary's and St. Joseph lakes and ended under the Lyons arch, a symbolic touch added by the co-commissioners this year. There was also a Fun Walk for nonrunners.

The male winners were seniors Michael Hogan, Evan Possley and Matthew Zak. The top females were senior Laura Lindsley, sophomore Alison Podlaski and senior Caroline Green. The top finishers from Lyons included freshman Meredith Houska and senior Katie Sample.

Leading up to the race, McCarthy gave a speech in the Coleman-Morse lounge on Friday night about what happened to her daughter. Buddie also said Lyons sponsored a dance in the Monogram Room at the Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center.

"The speech was fantastic," Buddie said. "We've never had this before, and it was just a beautiful talk on what happened to Mara and why it's important to run this race."

Every year, Fox's family and friends come to the race. McCarthy said this year about 20 people came, and she said Fox would appreciate the cause her name has inspired.

"Mara is with us here today. Her memory lives on, and for a good cause," she said. "I know she would be pleased with that."

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ESTATES

Islam's ideas also affect how Muslim students relate to the opposite sex.

Junior Yasir Malik said Islam prohibits one-on-one dating.

"I've never had a girlfriend. I've never pursued a girl," he said. " It's not supposed to happen.'

Malik, whose parents had an arranged marriage, said his parents discussed the option of doing the same for him. But he said he is "too American" to have an arranged marriage.

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EPA may lift wolf protection



In this Feb. 16, 2006 photo, a gray wolf is seen on the run in Yellowstone National Park. Lawmakers are proposing a rewrite of the Endangered Species Act that would lift protections for wolves.

Associated Press

BILLINGS, Mont. — Two decades after the federal government spent a half-million dollars to study the reintroduction of gray wolves to the Northern Rockies, lawmakers say it's time for Congress to step in again — this time to clamp down on the endangered animals.

To do so they are proposing to bypass the Endangered Species Act and lift protections, first enacted in 1974, for today's booming wolf population.

Critics say the move would undercut one of the nation's premiere environmental laws and allow for the unchecked killing of wolves across the West.

But bitterness against the iconic predator is flaring as livestock killings increase and some big game herds dwindle.

And with state efforts to knock back the predators'

expansion stalled in court, senators from Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and Utah want to strip wolves of their endangered status by force.

"When they brought wolves to Idaho, the Legislature voted against it, the governor didn't want it and the Congressional delegation didn't want it," said Idaho Republican Sen. James Risch. "We didn't want them in the first place. But we are prepared to deal with them as we see fit."



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alma mater.

While Mola said she is happy to be back at Notre Dame, there are differences between being a student on campus and being an employee.

For example, she said students are not necessarily aware of the number of people who work on campus as full-time University employees.

"Now I walk around and see all these people I work with that I didn't really know existed before," she said.

One difficult part of returning to Notre Dame as an employee, Mola said, is separating herself from student life because she has friends who are still undergraduates. As a former Notre Dame softball player, it is especially difficult for her to be on campus but no longer playing with the rest of the team.

"It's hard to seem them. It's hard to go by the field and hear about them going to practice, and I'm not going with them," she said.

Because Mola graduated recently, however, she said she is better able to do her job at the Alumni Association, where she organizes programs for both for current students and alumni who graduated within the past 10 years.

Mola said she has also learned since she began working at the Alumni Association that people who work for the University, even if they are not alumni, are just as enthusiastic about Notre Dame as the student body.

"I guess an easy parallel from both perspectives is Notre Dame's pretty wellknown for having great people," she said. "Everybody here is so welcoming and wants you to do well, just like when you were a student."

Mola said she does not know what she will do in the future, especially since her current position is best filled by a young alum. She said she would be open, however, to other positions at the University.

"I'll tell you, I left this place once and it's going to be hard to do it again," she said. "So I can definitely see myself staying here for a long time."

John Whitty, a 2010 Notre Dame graduate who now works for the athletic department's Joyce Grants-in-Aid Program, said he also experienced a transition from being a student to being a department during the second semester of his senior year.

"As the semester progressed, I talked to my superiors and they expressed interest in keeping me," he said. "It was pretty much too good of an opportunity to pass up. So I decided to stay here and it's actually worked out pretty well."

Because he works for the athletic department, Whitty said the contrast between his life and that of undergraduate students is perhaps best exemplified on home football weekends.

"I get to see a lot of insider stuff from places we take the donors, but it's definitely not ... the student weekend football experience," he said. "I'm pretty busy on football weekends, but I definitely don't get to tailgate."

Although he would like to go to graduate school for business or sports administration in the future, Whitty said he is happy in his current role at the University.

"I like where I'm at right now, but I'm always open to options other places as well," he said. "There's no question that if there were positions available ... I would stay at Notre Dame."

Sarah Rodts, also a 2009 Notre Dame graduate, began working for the University's athletics media relations office following graduation.

Rodts had planned to go to law school following graduation, but said she realized last spring she was not passionate about it. During the final semester of her senior year, she cancelled her plans to work at a law firm in Chicago and decided to work toward her dream of being a sports broadcast reporter.

Now, she splits her time between two jobs: one at Notre Dame, and one at WNDU, a local television station.

"In terms of whether or not I thought I would end up doing it last year at this time, absolutely not, ... but as it's all falling into place, it could not be more perfect," Rodts said. "I'm learning a lot about athletics and how it is to work in the media, but then I'm on the other side of it, too."

Rodts said one of the highlights of working for athletics media relations thus far was serving as the University liaison to an Adidas production crew that came to campus on a football weekend to shoot a commercial.

While it is difficult to transition from student life to working 13-hour days, seven days a week, Rodts was prepared for the change.

University employee.

Unlike Mola, Whitty began working for Notre Dame immediately following graduation.

"I think it's definitely a different experience working for a university than attending a university, but it's been a good opportunity to see the different sides of the University as a whole," Whitty said. "And I'm bummed that my card doesn't work at the dining hall anymore."

He currently works with donors who give enough to the Athletic Department each year to fund one student athlete's scholarship.

Whitty did not plan to stay at Notre Dame following graduation, but he began working in the athletic "I was going to have to separate my undergrad life from the post-grad life," she said. In addition, she said her

busy work schedule does not allow her much time to miss being a student.

Even though she was prepared to face this transition, Rodts said it is hard when she does not have time to see her friends who are still undergraduates. But her current positions are perfect for her planned career path, and she is happy to remain at Notre Dame.

"I'm still so much a part of the University, and I don't feel like graduation has made me any less a part of it," she said.

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SPAIN

PAKISTAN Militants open fire on NATO supply route

Associated Press

ISLAMABAD — Suspected militants attacked and set fire to at least 20 tankers carrying oil for NATO and U.S. troops in Afghanistan on Monday, the third such strike inside Pakistan in as many days, police said.

The attack not far from the capital Islamabad took place on a supply line that has been stalled because of a temporary border closing imposed by Pakistani authorities to protest a NATO helicopter attack that killed three Pakistan troops last week.

It will raise the stakes in the closure, which has exacerbated tensions between Washington and Islamabad but has been welcomed by Islamist groups opposed to Pakistan's support of the U.S.-led war in Afghanistan.

Police officer Umer Hayat said three people were killed and blamed Monday's attack on "terrorists.'

The attackers opened fire on trucks that were parked at a poorly guarded terminal before setting them afire, he and other officers said.

The trucks were en route or waiting to travel to the Torkham border crossing along the fabled Khyber Pass, which is used to bring fuel, military vehicles, spare parts, clothing and other non-lethal supplies for foreign troops in Afghanistan. Pakistan's other main route into landlocked Afghanistan, in Chaman in the southwest, has remained open.

While NATO and the United States have alternative supply

routes into Afghanistan, the Pakistani ones are the cheapest and most convenient. Most of the coalition's non-lethal supplies are transported over Pakistani soil after being unloaded at docks in Karachi, a port city in the south

On Friday, a day after the clo-sure of the Khyber Pass route to NATO and US traffic, there were two attacks on oil tankers headed to the country. The Pakistani Taliban claimed responsibility for at least one of them, and vowed to launch more.

Striking now gains them more media attention than normal and adds to unease between Pakistan and the United States.

The convoys take several days to reach the border after setting off from Karachi and make frequent stops. They receive little or no protection outside the frontier region and are indistinguishable from ordinary trucks and tankers that ply Pakistani roads.

Over the past two years they often have been attacked by militants, mostly in the northwestern border region where militants are strongest.

Attacks on convoys in Pakistan give militants a propaganda victory, but coalition officials say they do not result in shortages in Afghanistan. Hundreds of trucks cross into Afghanistan each day.

Some attacks are believed to be the work of criminals, who can sell much of the vehicles, clothes and other goods they carry. Officials have alleged truck owners may be behind some of the incidents, perhaps to claim insurance fraudulently.

Officials worry about travelers

Associated Press

MADRID — A rare advisory for U.S. travelers to beware of potential terrorist threats in Europe drew American shrugs Sunday from Paris to Rome, but tourism officials worried that it could deter would-be visitors from moving ahead with plans to cross the Atlantic.

The travel alert is a step below a formal warning not to visit Europe, but some experts said it could still hurt a fragile European economy already hit hard by the debt crisis.

"I think if someone was looking for an excuse not to travel, then this is just the ticket," said George Hobica, founder of Airfarewatchdog.com. "However, I don't think most people will alter their plans unless the threat is very specific.'

The State Department alert advised the hundreds of thousands of U.S. citizens living or traveling in Europe to take more precautions about their personal security. Security officials say terrorists may be plotting attacks in Europe with assault weapons on public places, similar to the deadly 2008 shooting spree in Mumbai, India.

Without a specific threat, however, American visitors were not letting the alert disrupt their travels.

We live in New York. So in New York we think about these things all the time," said Richard Mintzer, a 55-year-old American visiting Italy with his wife. "I wouldn't say we are particularly worried in Rome, no more than we would be at home, or anywhere in the Western world."

At Paris' spring-summer 2011 ready-to-wear fashion shows, W magazine fashion market director Karla Martinez said she gets worried for five minutes, but then I forget about it and get back to the job that I'm here to do.

"It's a little scary when you're staying in a big hotel with lots of tourists, because we hear that could be a target, but I try not to get too worked up about it," she said. "At the end of the day all you can do is keep your eyes and ears open and try not to be naive.

The nonprofit group IES Abroad sent e-mails Sunday warning about 1,500 college students in its European study abroad programs to avoid crowded tourist spots and hangouts typically frequented by Americans. The message - also sent to the students' parents also told students to leave public places if they see signs of trouble.

"We say, 'Be alert, cautious and aware of your surroundings," IES executive vice president Bill Hoye said. "It means, 'Don't be totally plugged into your iPod.'

Hours after the e-mails were sent by the Chicago-based group, it had no sign of any students who wanted to drop out of the programs.

The impact on travel could deepen if the threat leads to new, tighter security measures, said Henry Harteveldt, a travel analyst for Forrester Research. But the U.S.-based Air Transport Association, a trade group for the airline industry, said it expects "business as usual."

United, Continental and Delta

said they were operating as usual on Sunday without any cancellations or delays related to the terror alert. The airlines said customers will be charged the usual penalty if they want to change itineraries.

Kevin Mitchell, chairman of the Business Travel Coalition, said business travelers will likely keep their plans and hold onto nonrefundable tickets as long as the warning remains "fairly general."

"The biggest impact will be those people who right now haven't yet made their plans," Mitchell said. "They're the ones who will forestall their decision until the situation is a little bit more clear."

The travel alert noted in particular "the potential for terrorists to attack public transportation systems and other tourist infrastructure.'

"Current information suggests that al-Qaida and affiliated organizations continue to plan terrorist attacks," it said. "European governments have taken action to guard against a terrorist attack and some have spoken publicly about the heightened threat conditions.'

U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., stressed to reporters after talking to State Department and Justice Department officials that the alert "means be careful when you go, but they are not advising you not to go.'

U.S. and European security experts have been concerned for days about a terror attack similar to the one in Mumbai, which left 166 people dead and targeted two luxury hotels, a Jewish center, a popular restaurant and a crowded train station.

PAKISTAN Intelligence ties Muslim militants to Europe

Associated Press

ISLAMABAD — Dozens of militants Muslim with European citizenship are believed to be hiding out in the lawless tribal area of northwestern Pakistan, Pakistani and Western intelligence officials say, training for missions that could include terror attacks in capital

intelligence officials believe Osama bin Laden is behind the plots.

A senior official of Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence agency, or ISI, told The Associated Press that there are believed to be "several dozen" people with European citizenship - many of Pakistani origin - among the Islamic extremists operating in the lawless border area.

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Officials have used phone intercepts and voice tracking software to track militants with ties to Britain and other European countries to areas along the Afghan border. Al-Qaida would likely turn to such extremists for a European plot because they can move freely in and out of Western cities.

Fear that such an attack is in the planning stage has prompted the U.S. State Department to advise Americans traveling in Europe to be vigilant. American and European security experts have been concerned that terrorists based in Pakistan may be plotting attacks in Europe with assault weapons, similar to the deadly 2008 shooting spree in Mumbai, India. U.S.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not supposed to talk about classified information to the media, said foreigners in the area also include Chechens, Uzbeks, Arabs and Turks, one of whom was a former F-16 pilot in the Turkish air force.

'That shows you that some of the people who are coming are very well educated," he said.

The official also said Pakistan authorities arrested four Russian jihadis who infiltrated into Pakistan along with their families. "It was very surprising for us but they come thinking this is the pure (Islamic) ideology that they are seeking," he said.



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INSIDE COLUMN

Call for compassion

What started as scattered Facebook statuses on my homepage has erupted into an international news story. Tyler Clementi, a boy from my high school and a freshman at Rutgers University,

committed suicide on Sept. 22. Tyler jumped off the George Washington Bridge after his roommate and a friend of his

Sara Felsenstein

News Production Editor

roommate streamed a live video of him having a private encounter with another male, broadcasting the video to 150 followers on Twitter.

The tragedy has deeply affected me, as I know it affects anyone who hears the story. It pains me that those students could be so cruel and reckless with someone's life, and it pains me that Tyler was not able to see any future beyond such humiliation.

The story has reached media outlets worldwide, including the front page of the New York Times, CNN International, the Ellen DeGeneres Show and thousands of websites and blogs. While I am glad it is getting immense coverage, Tyler's unfortunate death needs to be more than something for people to talk about. Tyler's story reminds us of the urgent need to prevent online harassment and abuse of social networking sites.

Cyberbullying is a growing problem among young people, but it is one that is not taken seriously enough. People think of Facebook and Twitter as addicting social networking sites, not as harmful means for bullying. What makes cyberbullying so dangerous is that technology allows us to act on impulse, before conscience has time to settle. Online bullying can be done anonymously, making it easier to shake off responsibility for one's actions. In addition, rumors and insults can spread virally, making the effects of bullying exponentially more severe.

The intolerance Tyler Clementi endured is devastating, yet his case is not an isolated one. Similar instances of bullying occur constantly. The Internet can be used as a forum for discrimination, but misinterpretation can also cause unintentional offenses. Before vou broadcast an opinion online, whether via tweet or Facebook status update, consider your audience, and consider how your words could be understood out of context. In a digital arena where information is posted, bookmarked, tweeted, "liked," copied, sent and forwarded, what you put out for the world to see cannot be taken back. Remember that the ease of preing the "post" button does not always match up with the magnitude of the consequences. Tyler's parents said in a statement, "Regardless of legal outcomes, our hope is that our family's personal tragedy will serve as a call for compassion, empathy and human dignity." This call for compassion is imperative at college campuses, where students are still developing their identities and any blow to one's reputation can seem absolutely overwhelming. We must make a concentrated effort to be open and accepting towards everyone, and we must be conscious of how far our words can go, especially on the Internet where the line between public and private is blurred.

Invasion of privacy

During the Tiger Woods fiasco, some people (myself included) were outraged at how much the media was allowed to invade the privacy of a person of celebrity status. I wrote for my high school newspaper: "NPR com-

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tected by the 'First-and-a half Amendment: a combination of freedom of the press and the right to shoot from the hip.' I am ashamed that the American people are hearing more about Tiger Woods' personal life than of matters of national and international importance to the safety and security of our world. I am ashamed that the tabloid media can record a chip shot at the 16th hole of the Masters and then turn and use the cameras to invade Tiger's privacy off of the golf course."

But, some would argue, Tiger's celebrity status allows that level of scrutiny by the media — he put himself in that position.

Tyler Clementi, a freshman at Rutgers University, was no such public celebrity, and yet, the dark and malicious act perpetrated by his roommate Dharun Ravi and friend Molly Wei was an invasion of Tyler's privacy well beyond the excesses of the media. Ravi and Wei turned on Ravi's webcam from another room to view Clementi having a private encounter with another man. Ravi and Wei transmitted this video over the internet. After discovering what his roommate and friend had been doing, Clementi took his own life by jumping off of the George Washington Bridge. On Sept. 22, his final post on Facebook read, "jumping off the gw bridge, sorry." Clementi did not put himself in the position for his privacy to be invaded. He was not a celebrity — in fact, as a freshman he was hardly known on campus.

Ravi and Wei have been charged with

invasion of privacy, which carries a maximum sentence of five years in prison. Gay Rights groups are lobbying that this case be viewed legally as a hate-crime. Politicians in New Jersey are trying to push through legislation that would raise similar offenses to second-degree offenses with a maximum of 10 years sentence and fines of \$150,000.

When it comes to the internet and privacy, most people are cautious of malware, spyware, cookies, phishing, search records, password protection and the nature of information that we ourselves share on social networking sites. With all of these possible dangers, the least we should be worrying about is our own roommate. Clementi trusted his roommate by asking him for the room until midnight. Ravi abused Clementi's trust, and made a sport of it.

There should be no "good guy' defense for Dharun Ravi, who as a legal adult, and a student brilliant enough to attend Rutgers University, should know full well the inappropriateness and evil behind his actions. There is no excuse for what he did, and for what Wei helped him to do. Ravi's actions exposed the seriousness of invading someone's privacy for personal entertainment. Technology makes it easier to invade a person's privacy but it does not make it right. What Ravi thought was funny cost a young man his life.

Rutgers University kicked off a program called Project Civility on Sept. 29 — the day that police pulled Clementi's body from the Hudson River. The goal of the program is to have panel discussions, lectures and workshops which discuss the importance of compassion when it comes to social interactions. One of the planned panel discussions addresses appropriate behavior with changing technology. This is a good endeavor by a university which has been the cornerstone of many Progressive changes over the years. While too late for Clementi, this program, by touching on Clementi's death,

will hopefully prevent future actions like Ravi's from occurring. In a video promoting Project Civility, a Rutgers professor says, "I cut young people some slack. When you're young, you have so many prejudices, that's part of growing up. But you have to unshed them." This unshedding of prejudices must be part of the individual's understanding of social decency, but it must also be the responsibility of the university to help students unshed their prejudices. Hopefully, Project Civility is a start for Rutgers. Rutgers, and any university, must do more than talk the talk.

Ravi's invasion of Clementi's privacy is unfortunately something that could happen at any university, even Notre Dame. Clementi's death is one of five suicides or attempted suicides of gay or perceived gay teens in recent weeks thought to be a result of harassment and bullying. Universities across the country must ensure that discriminatory activities against homosexuals are unacceptable behavior, and must foster a wider acceptance of GLBTQ students and groups. Whatever prejudices exist in students as they enter college, universities have the obligation to expand their knowledge and deepen their understanding to help them overcome those prejudices. Then, such social indecency would hopefully be curbed.

There is a degree to which one should be careful of what he or she makes public, whether on Facebook, MySpace or Twitter. But more importantly, leave me my privacy, and I will leave you yours.

Saturday was homecoming week at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J. There was a moment of silence for Tyler at the football game Saturday, and a candlelight vigil Sunday. Please, take a moment for yourself, go to the grotto, reflect, and pray for Tyler Clementi.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Exciting week for A&L majors

I went to college in a recession. I was a history major and graduated during the economic downturn of 1982 in the midst of chaos in the real estate market. Interest rates were 18 percent, my dad lost his job in Lorain, Ohio and I took out more college loans to make it through my senior year. I experienced stress, anguish, loss of confidence in my career and wondered why the job market was so brutal for people like me. I only wish my college had a series of events for liberal arts majors like Notre Dame has scheduled this week. Events and career advising support like these programs would have helped me a great deal to focus on my skills, understand the vast array of careers open to A&L majors and prepare me for the competitive application process in a

tough job market. I didn't have access to paid internship programs where my college could provide stipend monies for me to gain experience in the real world before college. But today, I am proud to be leading a career operation at Notre Dame where we can give back to students who have opportunities that I did not have in the early 1980s.

The Notre Dame Career Center and College of Arts and Letters will host the Second Annual "What's Next?" Week for Arts and Letters Majors the week of Oct. 4-7. This event will feature representatives from companies such as AT&T, Cummins, Department of Homeland Security, eLoyalty, Google, Keurig, McKinsey, Starcom, Target, The Orr Fellowship and Towers Film Production.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

My cold, dead hands

Mr. Ryan Williams attempts to argue in his viewpoint entitled "A Safer World Without Guns" (Sept. 30) that we should have stricter gun control laws to eliminate the chances of shooting tragedies across the nation from happening. He claims that there is a causal relationship between taking automatic weapons away from the hands of citizens and a decline in gun violence. Quite simply, that is ridiculous. Removing any semblance of a threat posed to criminals by ordinary citizens will only make the problem worse by allowing the perpetrators to hold the most firepower. Outlawing automatic weapons will have little effect on the ability of criminals to obtain them on the black market. If they want a gun, they'll get it somehow. I want to have a proportionality of force equal to any criminal I may encounter.

Mr. Williams doubts the need for an automatic weapon to accomplish the task of defending the home. What he fails to understand is that home is much more than just a physical place on a map. It is our families, our liberties and our valued American way of life that could potentially come under attack from enemies foreign and domestic. No, the founding fathers probably did not have the AK-47 in mind when writing the Constitution, but they believed that an armed populace was the best way in preventing a despotic government from taking advantage of the people. To quote George Mason, one of the Fathers of the Bill of Rights, "To disarm the people is the most effectual way to enslave them." By not allowing citizens an available degree of weaponry also openly accessible for potential enemies, the government is essentially disarming the population. Armed citizens are absolutely a means to quell the ambitions of a tyrannical government. Perfect examples of this include Nazi Germany and Communist China, where Hitler and Mao made private weapons confiscation a top priority.

To echo the words of the late and great Charlton Heston, the only way to take personal firearms is from "my cold, dead hands." I hope Americans never forget this.

> Kyle Retzloff senior Zahm Hall Sep. 30

Fear is the only thing to fear

The moment I heard that there was a gunman on the University of Texas the cacophony of the law school commons faded away. All hope of catching up on my reading was forgotten.

I did my undergraduate work at Texas. I lived in a dorm adjacent to the library for four years. I still have friends and family that go to school at Texas. My cousin studies at the library every morning, but she decided not to that morning.

I sympathize with Ryan Williams' clarion call in last Thursday's Observer ("A safer world without guns, Sept. 30) for an assault weapons ban. My issue with his reasoning is that "freedom from fear" is impossible. If we want a world where we are largely free to make our own choices, then we must accept that someone may chose to pick up a gun with malice in their heart. If a choice is forced between freedom and safety, let's err on the side of freedom.

Motivated individuals don't need extraordinary firearms to wreak havoc. If Williams were ever to visit the UT, I would encourage him to stand in the plaza in front of the iconic tower. In front of him would be a statue. Williams could walk to its base, crouch down, and put his finger in the bullet hole there. That bullet hole was caused by an ordinary, boltaction hunting rifle. This particular rifle was used by Charles Whitman to kill 13 people in a shooting spree from the top of the tower on August 1, 1966. Williams' own example, the Virginia Tech massacre, was committed with two pistols.

My point in writing this letter is not to argue for freedom to own assault weapons. Rather, I would like to conclude with a call for reason before we restrict our freedoms. If we allow fear of violence to be our sole arbiter, then I have given Williams justification in banning all guns. Whatever the Founding Fathers intended, it was not that. Franklin Delano Roosevelt had another quote about fear that it is appropriate to close with — the only thing we have to fear is fear itself.

Alex Blair law student

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If guns are outlawed...

Dear Ryan Williams ("A Safer World Without Guns," Sept. 30),

You seem to believe that an AK-47 can be used in a Tony Montana-style shootout on a room full of people. An AK-47 has a magazine capacity of 30 rounds, with a fully automatic rate of fire of 600 rounds a minute. This means that if someone were to happen to successfully empty an entire AK-47 magazine on full auto, his or her magazine would be entirely empty in only three seconds.

However, this is entirely moot, considering fully automatic weapons are not legal for civilian purchase in the United States. Now that we have established this, you also seem to be opposed to the purchase of even semi-automatic weapons. If someone were to invade a house, approach you on the street, or, even better, open fire on your school, with a weapon, and you were to have a single- or doubleaction revolver, or a bolt- or pumpaction firearm, and you happened to miss the attacker with your first shot, well, game over. With a semiautomatic weapon, this risk is averted because it will reload automatically.

Now, one question remains: that is whether or not it should be legal to own a semi-automatic rifle as opposed to a pistol. Now, I personally believe semi-automatic rifles should be legal considering that from a long range, rifles are significantly more accurate. This ability could certainly be proven necessary in some cases. Simply put, restrictions on owning firearms will not prevent criminals (prepared to break laws against robbery and murder) from breaking laws against gun ownership. In order to protect ourselves against these people, semi-automatic gun ownership could prove very necessary.

> Michael Martinson junior O'Neill Hall Sept. 30

Arms offer protection

This letter responds to Ryan Williams' Sept. 30 editorial column "A safer world without guns." Mr. Williams concludes the United States would be safer if government disarmed citizens of all automatic and semi-automatic rifles and handguns.

A ban like Mr. Williams suggests would effectively prevent citizens from defending themselves from attack. Bans like this have been imposed by American cities and by national governments; in each instance, gun control has led to higher murder rates.

In 1976, the Washington, D.C. City Council banned citizens from possessing handguns and operational weapons. Between 1976 and 2008, the D.C. murder rate was, on average, 73 percent higher than before the weapons ban. The Washington, D.C. murder rate fell 23 percent in 2009 after the U.S. Supreme Court declared the ban unconstitutional.

In June 2010, the Supreme Court declared the Chicago handgun ban unconstitutional. From the beginning of the ban in 1982 through its overturning, the percentage of Chicago murders committed with handguns had been, on average, 40 percent higher than before the ban. Since the outset of the Chicago citizen's right to carry a handgun for protection, Florida, Texas and Michigan have all experienced a decrease in average murder rates larger than the simultaneous decrease in the national average murder rate

A reasoned look at these FBI statistics reveals American citizens are considerably safer when their natural, God-given, Constitutional right to defend themselves is upheld — not infringed upon — by the government. Law-abiding citizens can be disarmed, but criminals will always illegally obtain guns as they do now. To restore the "common sense and sanity" Mr. Williams calls for, American citizens should look to firearms for protection. The adage "When seconds matter, the police are only minutes away" strikes a chord when considering the recent incidents at Virginia Tech and Northern Illinois University. These tragedies might have been prevented if faculty and students were allowed to defend themselves with the same weapons used to murder them.

estimated 2.5 million An Americans each year defend themselves, their families and their property with firearms.

Check out nraila.org/armedcitizen

Are the fans tough?

A Notre Dame fan since 1944, a grad student '56-'58, I well remember going to pep rallies because, even though my loud voice worked as an undergraduate cheerleader's in Madison Square Garden, in the old Navy fieldhouse when cheering at the top of my lungs next to undergrads, I could not hear my own shouting. Is it like that any more?

Where are the students who are to greet the team on the stadium staircase? Where is the clamor meant to destabilize the enemy? Are the tickets so pricey that the average attendee is no longer a vociferous fan but one come only to witness talented football? The sport is grimy, sweaty, tough. Are

enough of Notre Dame's 2010 fans tough, or just urbane? One can be both urbane and tough, polite and implacable.

Football may be only a game, and I believe representing Our Lady's school well is even more important than winning. But it's the fans' responsibility to cheer the team on, relentlessly, not to perform admirably but to win, and for the other team to lose. Do today's undergrads agree?

> Frank Henninger alumnus Class of 1958 Sept. 30

handgun ban, the Chicago murder for their stories. rate has averaged 17 percent lower than before the law took effect, while the U.S. murder rate has averaged 25 percent lower.

After passing laws that protect the

Kyle Sladek sophomore St. Edward's Hall Oct. 1

We still are ND

Dear Jocelyn and the other Notre Dame Students who snuck into the Boston College Student Section,

Thank you for proudly sporting the Irish colors. Thank you for cheering on the football team. Thank you for standing proud as Boston College students threw hot dogs and beer bottles at you and dumped their drinks over your head. And the alumni question our support? As the senior shirts read at Boston College, "For here all are one."

> Katie Dorociak senior off campus Oct. 3

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By ALEX KILPATRICK

Accidental Billionaires."

founder Mark Zuckerberg.

Scene Writer

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Highly lauded as the film that defines

the past decade, "The Social Network"

meets, if not rises above, expectations.

David Fincher's film tells the story of

Facebook's founding, adapted from Ben

Mezrich's 2009 nonfiction novel "The

The drama not only represents the

online phenomenon with strikingly hon-

est theatrics, but much of the movie con-

trasts the social aspects of college with

the narcissistic, albeit ingenious, misan-

thrope that is the social network's

Well portrayed by Jesse Eisenberg,

Zuckerberg's character is depicted as

ironically lonely and shy but cocky at the

same time. In spite of his best efforts to

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connect with the college social scene during his Harvard years, he finds himself incapable of maintaining any close personal friendships, instead uniting hundreds of millions of individuals in 207 countries using 70 languages.

The film is appropriately set to propulsively chilling background music by Nine Inch Nails founder Trent Reznor and music producer Atticus Ross. The soundtrack drives the movie with the pair's eerie musical energy without distracting from the plot and character development.

Fincher manages to develop his complex characters in such a way that the audience is unsure of many of the characters' likeability throughout the course of the movie. Zuckerberg's friend and roommate Eduardo Saverin (played by British actor Andrew Garfield) sways the audience's sympathies as the Facebook lawsuit's intelligent but likeable victim, emotionally appealing to viewers in contrast with Zuckerberg's often appallingly cold misogynistic nature.

It's made clear from the beginning that one specific social resentment led Zuckerberg to start the website that led to his billionaire status. The film opens with Zuckerberg getting dumped by his girlfriend Erica (played by Rooney Mara), at a Harvard undergrad bar in the fall of 2003, who sharply claims that going out with him is "like dating a Stairmaster."

Feeling angry and rejected, Zuckerberg takes revenge by hacking into the Harvard network and inventing Facemash, a website that allows students to vote on which Harvard girls are most attractive and crashes the university's system with 22,000 hits in two hours. The site attracts the attention of elite Harvard rowers and identical twins Cameron and Tyler Winklevoss, portrayed by unrelated actors Armie Hammer and Josh Pence with the help of computer wizardry. For the shots where both faces can be seen on the screen, Hammer's face was digitally superimposed onto Pence's body.

The Winklevoss twins enlist Zuckerberg to help work on Harvard Connection, an online dating service they would like to start. Simultaneously, Zuckerberg asks his best friend Saverin to fund and help with the business details of a new site, "thefacebook," the raw beginnings of the social network that we all know and love today.

Much of the film takes place around the founders' conflicts over intellectual property and the lawsuits that arise from the power struggles, brought against Zuckerberg both by the Winklevoss twins and by Saverin. The struggles over power are what drive the movie and many of the central characters, while the audience attempts to discover what truly motivates the calculating mastermind behind the largest online social network and the world's youngest billionaire.

Napster co-founder Sean Parker (convincingly portrayed by Justin Timberlake) is introduced halfway through the movie as Zuckerberg's paranoid mentor, who contributes and eventually involves himself in the Facebook business but also resolutely divides the friendship between Zuckerberg and Saverin. Timberlake does an excellent job of depicting his character as strongly dislikeable. As for Zuckerberg's opinion of his own depiction in the film, he said, "I just wished that nobody made a movie of me while I was still alive," according to CNET News. In a recent interview on The Oprah Winfrey Show, when asked about the movie, he replied, "A lot of it is fiction, but even the filmmakers will say that. They're trying to build a good story ... [And] this is my life, so I know it's not that dramatic. The last six years have been a lot of coding and focus and hard work."

Whether or not the movie is entirely authentic to the true events surrounding Facebook's founding, the film seems honest, which is what makes it a well-made drama. The dynamic character development, impeccable script, excellent direction, appropriately chilling soundtrack and fine acting all around are what makes "The Social Network" the defining film of the Millennial Generation.

The Social Network Columbia Pictures Director: David Fincher Starring: Jesse Eisenberg, Andrew Garfield, Justin Timberlake, Armie Hammer, Rooney Mara



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KING

By MAC HENDRICKSON Scene Writer

Animal Collective fanatics may love or hate producer Ben Allen, depending on how they look at the situation. Allen was behind the experimental quartet's 2009 album "Merriweather Post Pavilion," which managed to present Animal Collective as something you might actually hear on the radio, not a strange experimental noise sampling you might come across in Andy Warhol's basement. It was also the band's cleanest, finest and most approachable album to date. Allen stepped in with the production of Deerhunter's recent release "Halcyon Digest," an album just as successful as "Pavilion." "Halcyon Digest" is Deerhunter through and through, but stands as a record one could aptly pit against something mainstream, some record that cost an arm and a leg to cut. A producer's influence is one of those subtle foundational elements of a record. Something for the true fans and avid listeners, not the casual stereo player. Most

garage bands don't know what their songs can sound like until they throw a few thousand dollars behind it. That first listen, after a producer has messed with their sounds for a few hours and cleaned everything up, is shocking, scary and beautiful. "Halcyon Digest" gives a similar experience. Everything is clean and completely devoid of the common wincing that occurs with experimental indie rock. The record is sparse and surreal, reaching familiar ground between a nightmare and a daydream. The aesthetic appeal of music as inter-esting as this is difficult to put into words. The songs are neither distant nor familiar. The record is interesting on the first listen, enjoyable on the second and a favorite on the third. It never becomes catchy (the enemy of indie music) but lingers on the lip of your attention all 46 minutes. Bradford Cox's vocals are a definite highlight, perfectly laid out in stereo ambience with a hint of distortion. The reverb perfectly places the record in some deserted dream where Cox's surreal lyrics make perfect sense.

work (which happens to be very strange), the most important element of a record is the songwriting. No matter the circumstances, any album will stand on its feet so long as the front man can get his hands around six or seven solid songs. Halcyon Digest has its fair share. "Revival," "Memory Boy" and "Desire Lines" are the highlights of an album packed with mem-orable tracks. "Memory Boy" is the track you turn to again and again with the power to remind you of the first time you heard it. And that happens to be exactly what the record is all about: memory. The idea of revisionist history floats around but there is no subtle political or thematic message. The songs are stream-of-consciousness peeks at the past, a past both ideal and strange. The open atmosphere guitars strum away as Cox recalls a strange moment or an odd observation about his past. Each track passes like a foggy dream with familiar characters not seen in years. It's a 3 a.m. album. Its sparse melodies fill a silent, calm night where artists dream and madmen wander.

must be reserved for the future. Albums like "Halcyon Digest" take a while to understand and come to grips with. By next year, the songs may have grown stale and uninteresting, overshadowed by other novel bands, but that is for time to tell. "Halcyon Digest" has the potential for greatness, and listeners will enjoy exploring this potential late at night when the sanity of the world has drifted away.

Beyond production, distribution and art-

Ultimately, most words for this album

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NFL Vick injured, McNabb leads 'Skins in Philly

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — That hardly looked like Donovan McNabb taking snaps at the Linc, and it had nothing to do with his burgundy and gold jersey.

McNabb threw for 125 yards and one touchdown, leading the Washington Redskins to a 17-12 victory over the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday in his first game against his former team.

Michael Vick was forced out in the first quarter with chest and rib injuries in his first start in front of the hometown crowd. Kevin Kolb, who was supposed to be McNabb's successor all along, replaced Vick after losing his starting job because he got hurt in Week 1.

So, the McNabb-Vick showdown turned into the McNabb-Kolb matchup everyone originally anticipated. But this one didn't live up to the hype.

On a field where he made so many dynamic plays throughout his career, McNabb looked more like a game-manager than an elite player. A six-time Pro Bowl pick in 11 seasons with the Eagles, McNabb didn't get much of a chance to showcase his skills because Redskins coach Mike Shanahan stuck with a conservative approach and relied on the ground attack.

"You get into a throwing game specially here, in this environment with the crowd, usually you're in for a long day, Shanahan said. "So you have to establish the run.'

That meant McNabb turned around and handed off - again and again. It's an unfamiliar role for McNabb, who used to throw more than any quarterback when he played for the Eagles.

Washington had 169 yards rushing, including 55 by Clinton Portis before he left with a groin injury. Ryan Torain had 70 yards rushing and one TD. McNabb threw just 19 passes, completing eight and getting intercepted once.

The only stat that matters is the win.

"The relief I got was that this is over, that the whole hoopla coming back and to Philadelphia is over," McNabb said.

The Redskins (2-2) snapped a two-game losing skid, improving to 2-0 in the NFC East. The Eagles (2-2) are winless at home.

McNabb ran onto the field with the rest of his team during pregame introductions. When his name was announced, he got a standing ovation. McNabb patted his heart and raised his right hand up to salute the crowd. He then hugged Vick, who signed with the Eagles last year after McNabb lobbied for him.

McNabb had a love-hate relationship with Philly fans, so many wondered what type of reception he would receive. While some outside the stadium booed and carried signs that read "McChoke," it was an overwhelmingly positive response inside the Linc.

"You realize you spent 11 years here and I knew it was coming," McNabb said. "I didn't expect them to cheer the whole game. That wouldn't be right. I was happy with the way they gave me a standing ovation at the beginning. I think all of the quarterbacks got booed today."

McNabb led the Eagles to five NFC championship games and one Super Bowl – a 24-21 loss to New England in Feb. 2005. He was traded to Washington in April, paving the way for Kolb to be the starter.

But Kolb sustained a concussion in Week 1, and Vick played so well he forced coach Andy Reid to make a flip-flop decision and keep him in. Now Vick's status is uncertain and it's unknown what Reid will do when he's healthy.

victory over the Philadelphia Eagles. McNabb threw for 125 yards and one touchdown. 4:10 left. The 2-point conversion failed when Kolb's pass fell incomplete.

On Washington's next possession, McNabb scrambled 18 yards on third-and-4 to keep the drive going and allow the Redskins to run the clock down a little more. The Eagles got the ball back at their own 26 with 1:07 left and no timeouts. Kolb's first throw should've been intercepted, but it was dropped by Carlos Rogers.

Redskins' quarterback Donovan McNabb walks off the field following Washington's 17-12

Kolb then drove Philadelphia to the Redskins 32, a doublelateral after a short pass got the Eagles there. But Kolb's desperation heave into the end zone on the final play bounced out of Jason Avant's hands and was intercepted by DeAngelo Hall.

Kolb finished 22 of 35 for 201 yards and one TD and one interception.

McNabb handed off five straight times before attempting his first pass, a deep one to Fred Davis. The ball was slightly behind a wide-open Davis, who let it go through his hands. On his next pass later in that drive, McNabb made a perfect throw over the middle to Chris Cooley for a 31-yard touchdown and a 14-0 lead.

MLB

Braves win final game, earn playoff berth in Cox's final year

Vick, who did not speak to the

"I know he's sore, I can tell

Kolb said he was no given no

indication that he might start

next week at San Francisco. He

briefly spoke with Vick about

pain and explained the injury just a little bit," Kolb said. "He

just said he was sore."

"He just said he was in some

Kolb threw a 5-yard touch-

down pass to Brent Celek to get

the Eagles within 17-12 with

media, will have an MRI

you that, or else he would have

been out there," Reid said.

Monday.

the injuries.

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Bobby Cox was drenched with beer and champagne and hoisted onto the shoulders of his players after the Atlanta Braves gave their manager a final trip to the playoffs.

Atlanta reached the postsea-

victory over the Philadelphia Phillies on Sunday.

"This being Bobby's last year, losing today was not an option," Hudson said.

After the win, the Braves watched on TV as San Francisco beat San Diego 3-0, giving the Braves the NL wild card by one game over the Padres The players sprayed champagne in the clubhouse and then took the celebration out-

side

"We fought and we fought and we fought," Hudson said of the 91-win season that included a nine-game losing streak in April and season-ending injuries to Chipper Jones, Martin Prado and Kris Medlen.

"I know there's not a team in this league that's got more heart than us," Hudson said. Hudson, Matt Diaz, Derrek Lee, Peter Moylan and others lifted Cox onto their shoulders

as fans chanted "Bobby! Bobby!"

Rookie Jason Heyward and other players had high-fives for fans.

"This is what it's all about," said closer Billy Wagner, who struck out the side in the ninth. "You play all year long and it comes down to the last game and you get the champagne shower.'

San Francisco in the opener of a best-of-five series.

The Braves won 14 straight division titles with Cox but had missed the playoffs since 2005.

There was a postgame REO Speedwagon concert at Turner Field, and a few hundred fans remained after the concert to watch the Giants' win on the video board. They chanted and cheered after the final out as bubbly was sprayed in the Braves' clubhouse.



son as the NL wild-card team, a first for Cox, as Tim Hudson and the Braves took a six-run lead, then held on for an 8-7

Atlanta will start the playoffs Thursday at NL West champion

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MLB A's finish off Mariners; Giants win NL West

Associated Press

SEATTLE — At the end of his second 101-loss season in three years, Ichiro Suzuki summed up a miserable summer of Seattle baseball.

"I don't think anyone could have imagined this," he said through an interpreter. "I think it's stupid to imagine this."

While the Mariners concluded a season of futility, the Oakland Athletics were filled with optimism.

Kurt Suzuki and Kevin Kouzmanoff hit long solo home runs, and Oakland's Chris Carter added the go-ahead RBI single as the Athletics beat the Mariners 4-3 on Sunday to complete a season-ending four-game sweep

Oakland finished 81-81 for its first non-losing season since winning the AL West with 93 victories four years ago.

"It's a lot better than last year sitting at this desk. That was a great finish," Oakland manager Bob Geren said.

The A's wound up in sole possession of second place in the AL West and have plenty to look forward to with the development of young pitchers such as Trevor Cahill and Gio Gonzalez.

Another one of those youngster, Dallas Braden, gained his 11th victory in the finale. Braden allowed two runs and five hits in five innings before leaving with a sore neck.

"I wasn't feeling like I was able to finish any kind of pitches," Braden said. "We wanted to win the game, finish with a victory and go out on a good note."

Suzuki's homer on the first pitch of the fourth inning gave

the A's a 2-0 lead. Seattle pulled even in the fifth on Ichiro Suzuki's two-out, two-run double, but Carter came through in the sixth with a bases loaded single off Anthony Varvaro (0-1).

Kouzmanoff added a little insurance in the eighth with a solo shot off Garrett Olson, his 16th homer of the season.

Seattle finished at 61-101. Mariners ace Felix Hernandez could have made one more start Sunday on normal rest, burnishing his AL Cy Young Award credentials. But management erred on the side of caution, noting Hernandez's league-best 249 2-3 innings already was the highest of his career. The 24-year-old also led the AL in ERA (2.27) opponents batting average (.212) and was second in strikeouts (232), one behind the Angels' Jered Weaver.

Hernandez was relegated Sunday to standing on the dugout railing and acknowledging a standing ovation from the 23,263 in attendance following a video tribute on the big screen in the middle of the third inning.

That was about the most exciting moment for Mariners fans, a far cry from a year earlier when Ken Griffey Jr. and Ichiro Suzuki were carried around the field on teammates' shoulders after a surprising 85-win season.

Ichiro Suzuki's double providing a brief jolt, giving the All-Star his 213th hit. He added a single in the eighth for No. 214 and scored on Justin Smoak's two-out single.

"It was more just trying to have fun," said Smoak, who struggled following his trade from Texas to Seattle but closed the season on a 10-game hitting streak. "It's a grind, it's a long season, but it's a game. It's a game I've been playing my whole life and if you go out there and have fun good things will happen.'

Mark Ellis gave Oakland a 1-0 lead in the third with a two-out RBI double to score Rajai Davis, who barely beat a potential double play to keep the inning going. Kurt Suzuki's homer into the A's bullpen in left field was his 13th.

Oakland then took the lead in the sixth off Varvaro, with Ellis scoring on Carter's sharp single.

Neither starter pitched past the fifth. Seattle's Ryan Rowland-Smith gave up two runs and four hits in five innings.

Craig Breslow got four outs for his fifth save in seven opportuni-

"Everyone knows how intelligent he is but he actually pitches that way," Geren said of Breslow. "He is a very smart pitcher."

Seattle center fielder Franklin Gutierrez set a major league record for the most chances in an entire season without committing an error. Gutierrez was the designated hitter on Sunday, ensuring the record. He played 146 of his 152 games in center field this season and was perfect in his 415 chances. The previous mark was 396 by Curt Flood with St. Louis in 1966.

Gutierrez's mark was one of the few positives for the Mariners.

"At the end of the day, to come up with results like this, that's very tough as a player," Suzuki said. "All you can feel is you feel just bad for what you've done this year. You feel very guilty.



Athletics catcher Kurt Suzuki fails to make the tag as Mariners third baseman slides home in Oakland's season-ending victory.

That's all I can say as of now."

Giants 3, Padres 0

Jonathan Sanchez pulled on a pair of ski goggles to assure himself a clear view of the celebration. No champagne eyes.

The San Francisco Giants held their celebratory clubhouse party, at last, following a tough two-day wait.

Sanchez pitched the Giants back into the playoffs after a sixvear absence and also provided a clutch hit, beating the San Diego Padres Sunday to wrap up the NL West title.

"I told myself, 'This is my last start and I'm going to win this game,'" Sanchez said.

Buster Posey homered and the Giants got it done — on their third try against the Padres this weekend — to capture their first division crown and playoff berth since 2003.

"It's been seven years since we've seen something like this,' closer Brian Wilson said. "It's been a rollercoaster the entire season."

San Francisco will host the wild-card Atlanta Braves starting Thursday at AT&T Park, with ace Tim Lincecum well rested to go in Game 1. The Braves beat the Phillies 8-7 earlier in the day, extending manager Bobby Cox's farewell season.

Two NL playoff races came down to Game 162.

San Diego missed a chance to force a Monday playoff with the Giants at Petco Park to decide the NL West winner. The loser of that would have flown to Atlanta to determine the wild card had there been a three-way tie.

Manager Bruce Bochy instructed his players not to pack any bags. He told them the regular season would end

Sunday.

there," said Bochy, who eliminated his former team.

Padres players stayed put at the railing of their dugout watching the celebration in disappointment.

The Giants were in fourth place and 71/2 games out of the lead on July 4.

"We were in fourth place but we said, 'We're a team that can win it," Sandoval said. "We can get to the World Series."

The pitching-rich Padres head home for a longer winter than they wanted knowing they blew quite an opportunity. San Diego led the division by 6¹/₂ games before a 10-game losing streak from Aug. 26 to Sept. 5.

But manager Bud Black's team had trouble scoring all season, and that was its undoing at the end. The Padres managed only four hits Sunday and were shut out for the 12th time.

"Anyone who goes through this has a good sense of what's going on," Black said. "Reality sets in and you know we didn't make it. But we still had a great season."

Sanchez (13-9) pitched into the sixth inning and gave up three hits while walking five. He contributed with his bat, too, hitting a triple off rookie Mat Latos (14-10) and scoring the game's first run in the third inning.

The Giants head back into the postseason a decidedly different team than when they last made it. Led by Barry Bonds, they lost in four games to Florida in the 2003 NL division series, a year after falling six outs shy of a World Series title and losing to the wild-card Angels in seven games.

In fact, San Francisco is back in the playoffs with a roster that looks nothing like the group that took the field on opening day. Posey was called up in late May and hit 18 homers to make a strong case for NL Rookie of the Year honors, and Pat Burrell revived his career after signing a minor league deal May 29 following his release by Tampa Bay. The bullpen features new faces, too. Jose Guillen, Mike Fontenot and Cody Ross also are newcomers. "Versus the past when we lived and died with one superstar player, there aren't any superstars on this team. There might be a couple rising stars,' said general manager Brian Sabean, who was pinned in a corner and doused with champagne by the players. "Our organization is built on pitching. It's old-school baseball. We've been marching toward this for a while, including holding onto (Jonathan) Sanchez."





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When it did, the Giants let loose

Pablo Sandoval and other Giants waved orange towels atop the dugout steps after Wilson's first two pitches were strikes to Will Venable with two outs in the ninth.

When Venable struck out swinging one pitch later, Posey ran out to Wilson and they jumped together at the mound. The rest of the Giants joined them and gray NL West champion shirts were quickly handed out.

The Giants then took a victory lap along the outfield warning track, slapping hands with fans leaning over the fence. Bochy brought up the rear of the lap, tipping his cap and waving it over and over again.

"It's a group that coalesced into a team that wants to get ND CROSS COUNTRY

Belles finish 28th in Loyola-hosted 5k

By KATHARINE MACK Sports Writer

Saint Mary's took 28th place out of 41 teams Saturday at the 2010 Sean Earl Invitational. The 5k race took place in Chicago and was hosted by Loyola University.

The women's division featured squads from all three NCAA divisions, as well as NAIA teams. NCAA Division I squad Northwestern took the top spot among the 41 on Saturday, followed by McMaster, Saint Olaf, Drake followed and Chicago.

The Belles score of 725 put the team only 5 points behind Indianapolis for the event. Saint Mary's was led by sophomore Julia Kenney, who crossed the line at 19:23, followed by junior Joanne Almond who finished with a time of 19:45. Sophomore Emma Baker took third with a 20:03 finish.

With the MIAA many signs of improvement as personal records were broken by four runners. Kenney's first place finish on the team marked a new personal best. Baker's third place finish for the squad was also a new career best that smashed her previous record by 22 seconds.

Seniors Catie Salver and Sam Wassel rounded out the scoring for the Belles, as both also finished with new personal records of 20:10 and 20:11, respectively.

The Belles will be preparing this week for their next meet, which will take place Friday at Benedictine University.

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Men's Tennis

Championships at the end of the month, the Belles showed

was "phenomenal.'

finished 15th individually, was the top runner for the Irish, crossing the line at 24:13. Sophomore Jeremy Rae followed close behind in 24:30, while junior Jordan Carlson finished third for the Irish with a time of 24:41. The rest of the Irish lineup included freshman Martin Grady, who finished in 24:44, and senior Mat Abernethy, who crossed at 25:19.

ND finishes in top third of field

By MAIJA GUSTIN Sports Writer

This weekend, the Irish hosted the 55th annual Notre Dame Invitational, welcoming some of the top teams in the country at the Warren Golf Course.

Irish men's coach Joe Piane said that the invitational was an "opportunity for both the women and men to pick up large points to qualify for the NCAA Championships.

After this weekend's performance, the Irish are well on their way after successful finishes by both teams.

In the 21-team men's competition, the Irish finished in seventh place with 208 points. With six of the top 25 teams in the country competing, including eventual Invitational winner No. 3 Oregon, Piane said the race

Senior Dan Jackson, who



Irish sophomore Jeremy Rae battles the pack at the Notre Dame Invitational at the Warren Golf Course this weekend.

Piane said that the women's race was "unbelievable," as it featured 12 nationally ranked teams. These included Invitational winner No. 1 Villanova, No. 2 Florida State, No. 3 Washington and No. 5 Oregon.

The Irish women came in 18th overall with 402 points. Freshman Meg Ryan finished first for the Irish with a time of 17:37. Ryan was joined by senior Erica Watson, who crossed at 17:41, and sophomore Rebecca Tracy, who turned in a time of 17:57. Juniors Rachel Velarde and Susanna Sullivan contributed with times of 18:02 and 18:03.

"This meet [was] as tough a meet as we're going to face all year besides the NCAAs," Piane said. "It [was] also a meet to get us to the NCAAs."

The Irish will next compete in the NCAA Pre-National Meet on Oct. 16, which Piane said he believes will be very challenging. The tournament is expected to feature as many as 80 schools.

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Doubles play improves as Irish continue to roll

By KATE GRABAREK Sports Writer

The Irish continued their fall success this weekend at the Harvard Invitational in Cambridge, Mass. The Irish set the tone from the first day of the tournament, winning six of their nine matches against Minnesota.

Seniors Stephen Havens and Tyler Davis both earned wins on day one of the tournament over Sebastian Gallego and Julian Dehn respectively.

Freshman Billy Pecor, junior Niall Fitzgerald and sophomores Michael Moore and Spencer Talmadge all pulled out wins for the Irish to round out the six on day one.

"Billy beat a strong Indian player with a great deal of international experience from Alabama," Bayliss said. "Billy can really hit through the court and needs to harness some of his raw power more

become a strength for us this year, and I saw some encouraging things last weekend," Bayliss said. "Davis-Havens looked great, as did Fitzgerald-Talmadge. Several of the freshmen can contribute here as well, but we need to be able to cut off more balls around the net and finish points there. We need to be six balls tough from two-back and really establish a presence on the doubles court. There could be some new combinations this year and we have all fall to figure it out."

On day three the Irish pulled out even more victories, culminating in Havens finishing the tournament undefeated in both singles and doubles play along with Davis. Havens earnined the Dale Junta '58 Award for his success in the tournament.

Andrews finished with a 2-1 record, earning the Corey Winn Freshman to Watch Award for the tournament The Irish totaled a 23-4 singles record in the tournament, with Fitzgerald, Pecor, Anderson and Moore teaming up with Havens to finish with undefeated records. Notre Dame also came away with six of nine victories in doubles, with junior Samuel Keeton and Moore also combining for an undefeated doubles record for the weekend. The Irish will continue their season when they send sophomore Blas Moros, junior Casey Watt and senior Daniel Stahl to the ITA All-American event in Tulsa, Okla., which begins Monday.





selectively.

On day two, the Irish finished with a record of 15-2 with six players undefeated in singles heading into the final day of the tournament.

Havens, Davis, Fitzgerald, Moore, Talmadge and Pecor all finished day two undefeated and looked to continue their dominance on day three.

The Irish also picked up six doubles victories on the day with Havens and Davis teaming up to defeat Christo Schultz and Johnathan Pearlman of Harvard 9-8.

Pecor and freshman Greg Andrews were able to pick up an 8-0 win over a duo from South Carolina.

"Certainly doubles needs to

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ticked off the clock. Gerths opened the scoring 6:45 into the game on a delayed Gryphon penalty, taking a feed from Tynan in the slot and firing the puck past Guelph goalie Andrew Loverock.

Under a new CCHA rule this season, the Irish were still granted a power play even after scoring with the extra attacker. On the ensuing power play, Voran took a feed from Tynan and made a nice individual move down the right side before stuffing the puck past Loverock to give the Irish a 2-0 lead.

"We had two in the first, which is probably good for being the first game," Ridderwall said. "Obviously we'd like to score more, but in a game like this it's really about finding the groove for the season."

The Gryphons answered back at the tail end of the first period. With the seconds winding down, Guelph's J.T. Macdonald appeared to fire the puck in after a scrum in front of the net. The referee signaled that it was a goal, but the red light did not go on. After video review, officials confirmed that the goal was scored before time expired.

Guelph then tied the game 14:00 into the second period on an unassisted power-play goal from Ken Peroff.

It took less than four minutes for Notre Dame to pull ahead, though. With freshman Bryan Rust and sophomore Riley Sheahan forechecking behind the Gryphon net, Sheahan was able to feed the puck to Ridderwall at the right circle, where the senior fired a onetimer past Loverock's glove side.

"Rust and Sheahan did a great job forechecking," Ridderwall said. "The puck just came out in front and I just took a slapshot. I just wanted to put it through the net."

Jackson said he thought his team battled well in the offensive zone all night, but that there was still work to be done.

"I thought our forecheck at times was very aggressive, caused turnovers and opportunities, scored a goal off of it. But I think we've got to get a lot better through the neutral zone, both offensively and defensively." The Gryphons tied the game once again on a shorthanded goal just 31 seconds into the final period, but the Irish replied with another goal from a freshman. This time it was Jeff Costello, who took a feed from Tynan and found himself in a 2-on-1 with classmate Kevin Lind. Costello took the shot himself and beat Loverock with a wrister to the short side. The goal gave Tynan his third assist of the game.

"[Tynan]'s very subtle with some of the decisions he makes with the puck — he's got great instincts," Jackson said. "We knew he could be creative and effective offensively."

The Irish sealed the win with a breakaway goal from Lee after a long outlet pass from freshman Shayne Taker deep in the defensive zone.

Jackson said that, while he was pleased with the win, the Irish were still in the developmental process.

"We've thrown a lot at them in a very short period of time," he said. "When you overwhelm someone with information, sometimes it doesn't stick. It goes in one ear and out the other when there's so much information."

Ridderwall added that the



Irish freshman center T.J. Tynan crashes the net during Notre Dame's 5-3 exhibition win over Guelph Sunday at the Joyce Center.

first game always involves shaking off some rust from the offseason.

"I thought the game was pretty messy," he said. "The first game of the season usually is. Overall, I think we did some good things, obviously we've got to improve some things, but I think it was good for the freshmen to get off to a good start."

The Irish will kick off the regular season next weekend at the Ice Breaker Tournament in St. Louis. They will play Holy Cross in the opener and then either Boston University or Wisconsin in their second game.

"It's about us being better next Friday than we were tonight, and then it'll be about being better a week later," Jackson said. "We've got to take one step at a time in this process because we've got a lot of development work to do with some guys ... The good thing is there's a great canvas there to develop guys."

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SMC Soccer

Saint Mary's shut out by Alma, falls behind in MIAA

By MAIJA GUSTIN Sports Writer

Saint Mary's lost 4-0 this weekend to MIAA division rival Alma College.

The Belles (2-10) lost their eighth road game to the Scots

(8-3) in Belles coach Michael Joyce's first year at the helm.

Saint Mary's held Alma scoreless in the first half, but the tide quickly turned in the Scots' favor when freshman forward Taryn Handyside scored just 26 seconds into the second half on an assist by junior forward Alli Meurer. Two minutes later, Alma doubled its lead with a goal from sophomore midfielder Elaine Cunningham on a corner kick. Junior midfielder Carly Reising scored for the Scots in the 52nd minute off an assist from Meurer, who netted her second goal of the game in the 77th minute to give Alma a commanding lead.

The Belles finished with three shot attempts, two of which by sophomore midfielder Ashley Marfin were on net. Junior forward Katelyn Tondo-Steele made the other attempt. Between the pipes, sophomore goalkeeper Caitlin

Powers

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high.

to senior forward Jeb Brovsky led to the first Irish goal in the

12th minute. The play marked

Powers' third assist, a team

Providence (5-3-1, 0-2) quick-

ly responded with a goal in the

16th minute. The game headed

into halftime as a 1-1 tie, but a

dominant Irish performance in

the second half decided the

"I think we were okay in the

first half, but I thought we were very good in the second half,"

game, Clark said.

Walsh made eight saves in net for the Belles.

In the second half, Alma outshot the Belles 13-0 with 8 shots on net. Junior goalkeeper Monica Witt made two saves for the Scots.

Saint Mary's takes the pitch next at home Friday against MIAA conference foe Albion College (1-8-2).

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freshman year.

"It was a very solid performance from Richard, which has been a bonus," Clark said. "He's starting to push his way into contention and becoming a valuable player."

Though they successfully pulled out the win, the Irish were outshot by the Friars 9-4, marking the fewest number of shots on goal the Irish have tallied in a game this season. "We didn't generate as many shots as we have been in previous games, and some of that must go down to the way Providence handled us," Clark said. "They made it a little difficult to actually get shots."

On defense, Clark cited some





he said. "I think we just had more control of the game in the second half. I felt we handled the game better in the second half, and we were very dangerous."

With just six minutes left, the game tipped in Notre Dame's favor as Perry's shot from eight yards away sailed into the net. It was Perry's fifth goal of the season, a team high.

"It's nice to see Perry making a habit of scoring goals now, which is great for a forward," Clark said. "He's been making runs, and he'll continue to. With a bit more luck he could have had two goals today."

Sophomore Kyle Richard assisted Perry on the goal in his first season of action for the Irish. Richard redshirted his areas of the game he wishes to improve this week in practice.

"There were a few lapses handling balls, coming into the balls," he said. "I don't think that was as solid as we could have worked. I think that's something we can look at this coming week."

Senior goalkeeper and captain Phil Tuttle made his home debut this season after recovering from a meniscus injury during his summer training program. Tuttle made four saves against Providence.

The Irish will travel to Bloomington, Ind. to play the Hoosiers Tuesday.

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The Irish faced their first collegiate competition of the fall season. For the freshmen, it was their first collegiate matches of their respective careers.

"I thought we had a great weekend," Louderback said. "It was good for our freshmen to compete against college players and they looked very good."

and they looked very good." Other than Kellner and Sanders, freshmen JoHanna Manningham and Julie Sabacinski, made their collegiate debuts. Manningham wrapped up play today in the green singles division by defeating Ohio State's Kelsey Becker 6-1, 6-1.

The other advantage of this weekend's season-opening tour-

nament for the Irish has been the opportunity to experiment with different doubles combinations. Rafael and Manningham were the runners up in the gold division, and sophomore Chrissie McGaffigan and Sabacinski finished third in the blue doubles draw.

These pairings are not set in stone, however, and Louderback will likely switch things up before he finalizes them. Louderback was pleased with the way his team played, with the exception of a few errors that could have been eliminated.

"We still need work on our doubles and finishing points in singles," Louderback said.

Next, the Irish will compete in Regional Qualifying hosted by Michigan on Oct. 21 and 22.

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Freshman Brittney Sanders returns a volley Sunday during the Eck Tennis Classic at the Eck Tennis Pavilion.-

ND WOMEN'S GOLF

No. 7 Irish win Warren Invitational at home

By MEGHAN VESELIK Sports Writer

The No. 7 Irish came out on top again this weekend as they won the William K. Warren Irish Invitational at Notre Dame's Warren Golf Course for their second straight tournament victory.

Notre Dame shot a 905 (+41) three-round total to defeat Kent State by five strokes and grab its second win over Kent in as many weeks.

"This was a great win for the team," Irish coach Susan Holt said. "There is definitely added pressure to win when you host an event on your home golf course."

The win wasn't an easy one for the team, as the team had to deal with the pressure of being the host. Nevertheless, Holt said she felt her team handled the challenges presented as best they could. "The weather Saturday made it a very challenging day for good golf," she said. "It was windy and cold, and I thought we did a great job of being patient. It is tough to play in those conditions, especially 36 holes.³ The Irish shot a final round of 302 (+2), led by freshman Nicole Zhang's weekend-low score of 70. Zhang tied for second place among all golfers with an overall finish of 218, shooting a 73 and 75 in the first two rounds, respectively. Kent State came in a close second with a score of 910, and Ohio State in third with a score of 921. Notre Dame saw consistently strong play from all of its players, each of whom ranked among the top-35 finishers.

way," Holt said. "We got key rounds from all five players. It is great to know that we have depth in our lineup and do not rely on any one person to have to carry the load."

Senior So-Hyun Park finished in second for the Irish with a 229, shooting two consistent rounds of 76 on day one and carding a 77 on day two to take 12th. Junior Becca Huffer was not far behind Park, tying for 17th with a finish of 231 with her three rounds of 77, 75 and 79.

Freshman Kristina Nhim had another successful weekend to kick off her rookie season after a tough first round. Nhim shot an 83 to commence the tournament, but came back with a 72 in round two and a 79 in round three to finish at 234 for 28th place. Junior Katie Allare rounded out the Irish scoring by carding a 236 with rounds of 79, 81 and 76 to tie for 35th. Senior Katie Conway competed as an individual in the invite and had the best finish of all the unattached competitors with a 233. Conway shot rounds of 79, 75 and 79 to end up in 21st overall. Notre Dame will next travel to Knoxville, Tenn., to compete in the Mercedes-Benz Collegiate Championship at the Fox Den Country Club from Oct. 8-9, where it looks to continue its early success. "Confidence and good golf go hand in hand," Holt said. "With back to back wins we have a high level of confidence heading into the University of Tennessee event next weekend. I think we will continue our solid play."

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"This was a team effort all the

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Notre Dame has now dominated all four Big East matches this year, winning each in straight sets.

"The last four matches have shown what we are capable of ... being a young team, the maturity we have gained through game experience has helped us really develop," Brown said.

The Irish will continue their conference schedule next weekend, when they travel to Louisville and Cincinnati.

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Belles claim first seed with victory

By MATTHEW ROBISON Sports Writer

SMC GOLF

In the final Jamboree of the regular season, Saint Mary's put together a rout of its MIAA competition with a 20stroke victory at Lenawee Country Club in Adrian, Mich. The Belles shattered the previous course record with a two-day total of 325, 12 shots lower than the one set in 2008 by Olivet.

"It was a pretty substantial

win," Belles coach Mark Hamilton said. "It was in adverse conditions, and the players really stepped up."

Saint Mary's battled the rain, cold and the wind, and was still able to put up one of its lowest scores of the season.

Hamilton said that the mental aspect of the game was the major factor in the Belles' superior performance.

"It was not letting the adverse conditions affect us," Hamilton said. "That mindset has helped us several times this season."

Senior Rosie O'Connell posted her lowest round of the season with a 78 and turned in a round-leading three birdies, earning a medal for Saint Mary's in the process. Senior Mary Kate Boyce was just two strokes behind and finished second overall. Freshman Doyle O'Brien finished with an 83, and freshmen Marin Beagley and Paige Pollack turned in scores of 84 and 92, respectively. Up next for Saint Mary's is the MIAA Championship at Bedford Valley Golf Course this weekend. The Belles will be the No. 1 seed, entering the tournament with a 331 stroke average.

"I still see room for improvement because we have a young team," Hamilton said. "We want to be ranked in the top ten teams in the country going into the winter."

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been real pleased about the last two weekends, is offensively we're starting to click and create more chances and score more goals."

It's no coincidence that Notre Dame's recent onslaught on the scoreboard comes on the heels of a remarkable offensive run by junior forward Melissa Henderson. The All-American netted two goals apiece this weekend, and has now tallied 6 goals and two assists (14 points) in her last three games.

"Melissa Henderson was fantastic this whole weekend," Waldrum said. "She was dangerous every time she touched the ball ... to me, she's the best forward in the country. And we keep telling her that — she's such a humble person, she doesn't want to hear it. That's just the kind of person she is."

True to form, the Irish started the scoring early against both Syracuse (5-6-3. 2-3) and St. John's (4-7-1, 1-4). midfielder Freshman Elizabeth Tucker scored in the 19th minute Friday in what proved to be the game-winner, while Henderson found the back of the net on a penalty kick in the 10th minute Sunday. The Irish have scored in the first 12 minutes in four of their last five games.

"I don't really feel like I've been consistent," Henderson said. "I've been trying to bring out my game and help my teammates out a little bit more because they've been carrying everything. All over the field, you're going to see players that are willing to do it and get it done."

For all their success on the field, the Irish have not seen it translate into support in the stands. Waldrum said Friday's showing was particularly disheartening, particularly for a team that has seen its work in the offseason payoff to the tune of 71 consecutive conference wins — an NCAA Division I record. "My big disappointment honestly over the weekend is our fans - I just don't understand it," he said. "For 12 years now, we've had arguably the best program, or one of the best programs, here on campus year in and year out. I don't know what else we can do. I wish the students would tell us what we need to do to get them out here."



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SPORTS

Defensive domination

ND blanks Syracuse, dismantles St. John's

By CHRIS MASOUD Sports Writer

Offense, defense and goalkeeping — up until this weekend, Irish coach Randy Waldrum was pleased with his team's performance in the latter two. But after a convincing weekend sweep over Syracuse and St. John's, Waldrum said he believes all three are operating in midseason form.

No. 5/7 Notre Dame (10-1, 4-0 Big East) shut out the Orange 3-0 Friday night in a dominating performance on both sides of the ball, before putting together a 4-1 dismantling of St. John's Sunday afternoon.

"You want to try to distance yourself as much as you can, so it was a good weekend," Waldrum said. "But probably more importantly, what I've



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Irish freshman defender Kecia Morway tries to make a move around a St. John's defender in Notre Dame's 4-1 rout of the Red Storm Sunday in Alumni Stadium.

ND WOMEN'S TENNIS Three titles for Irish in Eck Classic

By MATTHEW ROBISON Sports Writer

Notre Dame capped off a three-day event at the Eck Classic, hosted at the Courtney Tennis Center, with two singles championships.

Senior Kristen Rafael defeated freshman teammate Britney Sanders 3-6, 6-1, 6-1 in the Blue division. Freshman Jennifer Kellner beat Tulsa's Anastasia Erofeeva 4-6, 7-6 (7-5), 7-6 (9-7) to claim the Gold division title.

Previously, the duo of Kellner and Sanders won the Blue doubles division Saturday.

Irish coach Jay Louderback praised the performance of his senior champion.

"Kristen Rafael has be playing really well in practice," Louderback said. "It was exciting to see it carry over in match situations."

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Weekend sweep completed over USF, Georgetown

By MICHAEL TODISCO Sports Writer

The Irish swept another weekend of conference matches, defeating both South Florida and Georgetown in straight sets to run their Big East regular season winning streak to 19 games, dating back to the 2008 season.

The team played Friday, traveling to Tampa to take on

South Florida. The Irish (11-5, 4-0 Big East) defeated the Bulls (7-8, 3-1) in straight sets 3-0 (25-19, 25-17, 25-20) in what was the 1,000th match in Notre Dame volleyball history.

Irish coach Debbie Brown said she was pleased with the cohesion her team showed against the Bulls.

"I told the team after the game that our match against South Florida may have been the best team effort I have seen in my time at Notre Dame," she said. "We competed really well for every point and showed a very strong competitive drive."

Freshman outside hitter Andrea McHugh's 11 kills and junior libero Frenchie Silva's 11 digs led the way for Notre Dame.

The Irish traveled to Georgetown (12-8,2-2) Sunday for a match against the Hoyas. The Irish earned a 3-0 (25-13, 25-22, 25-19) victory behind another strong performance by McHugh, who finished with 19 kills.

Despite the strong individual efforts, Brown said that the weekend was defined by the ability of every member of the team to step up when needed.

"Whether it was for one serve or to come in and focus on blocking, anyone who was called off the bench thrived in the role that they were given," Brown said. Despite extending the conference streak to 19 games following an undefeated conference record in 2009, Brown stressed that the team doesn't focus on streaks and records.

"While it's nice to have all this success, we don't dwell on that type of stuff," Brown said. "We focus one game at a time with the goal of defending our Big East season title."

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MEN'S SOCCER

Perry scores game winner

HOCKEY Jackson pleased with

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By MOLLY SAMMON Sports Writer

Senior forward Steven Perry scored the winning goal in the 84th minute for the Irish against Providence, leading the squad to a 2-1 victory Sunday at Alumni Stadium for their second Big East conference win of the season.

"[The Friars] came in a very confident mode — it's always tough to play a team that's coming in confident," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "I've never called them an easy team. They're a very industrious team."

Notre Dame (4-2-3, 2-0 Big East) took the upper hand in the game when sophomore midfielder Dillon Powers' assist



COURTNEY ECKERLE/The Observer Irish sophomore midfielder Dillon Powers attempts a slide tackle in Notre Dame's 2-1 win over Providence Sunday in Alumni Stadium. 5-3 exhibition victory

By SAM WERNER Sports Writer

Prior to Sunday's exhibition game against the University of Guelph, Irish coach Jeff Jackson admitted that his team would be forced to rely on freshmen more than usual this season.

If Notre Dame's 5-3 win over the Gryphons was any indication, the Irish will be just fine.

Rookies scored four of five Irish goals, and tallied a total of nine points as the Irish downed Guelph in their only tune-up game before beginning the regular season. Freshman T.J. Tynan led the Irish in scoring with three assists, and classmates David Gerths, Mike Voran, Jeff Costello and Anders Lee lit the lamp for Notre Dame, as did senior Calle Ridderwall.

"Obviously our veterans are the key to our team, but with so many freshmen, if we don't have production from those young kids, we're not going to be a very good team," Jackson said. "I mean, I know that they're all capable, and it bodes well for us and our future."

Notre Dame appeared to overpower the Gryphons in the first period, taking a 2-0 lead before 10 minutes had

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Righting the ship

Fast start, stout run defense provide keys to Notre Dame's 31-13 win

By ERIC PRISTER Associate Sports Editor

CHESTNUT HILL, Mass. — The Irish got off to a much-needed fast start against the Eagles, scoring three times in their first four possessions. Notre Dame simply needed an early 21-point lead and a shut-down defensive performance to hold on for a convincing 31-13 victory Saturday night.

"Well, we got off to a fast start," Irish coach Brian Kelly said. "I thought that was key, obviously, on the road. We had three touch-downs on the first four possessions, and that gives us a lot of confidence early on. We're just happy to get a victory at this point.

Behind the arm and legs of jun-ior quarterback Dayne Crist, the Irish moved the ball up and down the field in the first quarter. They capped off their first scoring drive with a seven-vard touchdown run by Crist, something Irish coach Brian Kelly has been looking for in his signal-caller.

"He's got to be a spread quarterback or he can't be the quar-terback here," Kelly said. "We're running a spread offense, and there's got to be a spread quarterback. He's all in. He's 100 percent in. He had a great week of practice, and we're really just working on that process of developing him as a spread quarterback. He's not there yet, but he's developing. He's showing signs, and I think we're going to get better each and every week with him, but under those conditions."

The Irish struck again two drives later, capping off a 59-yard yard scoring drive with a twoyard touchdown pass from Crist to junior tight end Kyle Rudolph, his only reception of the game.

"I think it was a step in the right direction," Crist said. "We had to come out ready to play. The guys knew this was going to be a tough [Boston College] defense. We have a lot of respect for them and we knew we had to come out with a great intensity and we knew that they would match that. It was one of those situations where guys came ready to go, and I'm really proud of the offense." After the Notre Dame defense forced the Eagles into a third consecutive three-and-out, Crist and the Irish offense once again marched down the field, scoring on a touchdown pass to sophomore Theo Riddick from 20 yards out. Riddick finished the day as the leading Notre Dame receiver, catching nine passes for 69 yards and the score.

Sophomore receiver Theo Riddick celebrates his 20-yard touchdown reception in the first quarter to put the Irish up 20-0 during their 31-13 victory over Boston College Saturday night. Riddick ended the day with nine catches for 69 yards.

said. "We had our quarterback run for a touchdown, we were able to spread the field a little bit better, and you know, we've got to handle situations a little better. We're just hot and cold right now. Theo Riddick caught the ball well. [Junior receiver] Michael Floyd continues to perform. Again, I thought we got off to a good start. They were confident in their ability. We just haven't shown it on a consistent basis.'

Boston College showed signs of life near the end of the first quarter, as freshman quarterback Chase Rettig connected on a deep pass to freshman receiver Bobby Swigert, who took the catch-andrun into the end zone for a 58-

even stronger in the second half, keeping the Eagles scoreless for the final 30 minutes. Boston College managed only five total rushing yards in the game, while tallying 11 punts and converting four of 19 third down opportunities

"Our defense played great against the run," Kelly said. "We really focused on taking the run away, knowing that the quarterbacks would be coming in and out of the game, we really focused on the run and we ended up only giving up five yards of rushing. So, any time you go on the road, play good rush defense, get off to a good start — we've got a lot of work to do — but again, those things are the things you're looking for when you go on the road." Sophomore linebackers Manti Te'o and Carlo Calabrese each recorded 10 tackles, leading the effort which limited Eagles running back Montel Harris to 28 yards on 15 carries. Junior Robert Blanton and senior Harrison Smith each added an interception for the Irish. "[Calabrese] is playing very well," Kelly said. "He's been a compliment to our linebacking corps which is getting better and better each week."

Crist finished the game 24-for-44 with 203 yards, two touchdowns and an interception. Senior Armando Allen led the Irish rushing attack, carrying the ball 19 times for 90 yards and Notre Dame's final score of the game.

Coming off of three straight losses, including two heartbreaking defeats at the hands of rivals Michigan and Michigan State, Kelly said the decisive victory resonated in the Irish locker room.

"Happy," he said. "Happy, happy, happy. Everybody's happy in Notre Dame land. Our boys wanted to win badly. They worked hard at it, and I'm happy that they got a win ... We're not there yet, but we're going to keep working every day and continue to work on those things to get better.'

close we were. We've told you this before, but guys weren't down after those losses, because we know how this team can play. We know the potential this team has and where we can go. We're just trying to be masters of our own destiny, take it one game at a time and do everything we can to get wins. It feels great; there is not a better feeling that winning.'

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Kelly said that he was not completely satisfied, and that the area that Notre Dame needs to improve on most is their mentality during games.

"[It's] toughness," he said. "Mental and physical toughness. We have to do it. That's our weakness right now. We're going to

"We got back to some of our principles in the spread," Kelly

vard score.

The Eagles then converted two of their next three drives into field goals, a 49-yarder and a 25yarder off the foot of freshman kicker Nate Freese, to bring them within eight.

The Irish were able to score once more in the first half, on a 37-yard field goal by senior David Ruffer, which puts him at a perfect 13-for-13 in his career.

The Irish defense came out

Crist said that happiness mainly stemmed from Notre Dame feeling it was closer to victory than the three losses indicated.

"It was huge," the junior quarterback said. "Guys knew how continue to work on it, as it comes. Our ability to stay focused, locked in, for 76 plays, is really what we're getting at. And that has to be created on a day-to-day basis. It can't be left to 'I'll get to it later.' It's got to be tended to immediately, and our guys are understanding that, and we'll continue to build it."

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player of the game

Dayne Crist Irish quarterback

Crist ran for one touchdown and threw for two more, all in the first *auarter*.

stat of the game

5 yards rushing

The Eagles only managed five yards rushing against Notre Dame, on 23 attempts for a 0.2 yards per carry average.

play of the game

Crist's 20-yard touchdown pass to Theo Riddick to give ND a 21-point lead

Notre Dame's third score in the first quarter put BC behind 21-0, and gave the Irish a comfortable cushion.

quote of the game

"Нарру. Нарру, һарру, һарру. Everybody's happy in Notre Dame land."

> **Brian Kelly** Irish coach

report card

quarterbacks: Dayne Crist was responsible for 21 of Notre Dame's 31 points, but after a first quarter where he threw for 119 yards, he accumulated only 84 in the next three quarters combined.

running backs: While Irish running backs gained only 107 yards against the Eagles, Armando Allen looked solid, averaging 4.7 yards per carry and scoring a touchdown.

receivers: Kyle Rudolph and Theo Riddick each caught touchdown passes, and Michael Floyd continued to perform. Dropped passes were a problem yet again, which could come back and haunt the Irish.

offensive line: Crist was sacked only once, and rarely had to move outside the pocket except on designed rolls. Allen had plenty of room to run, despite only 90 rushing yards.

defensive line: Boston College ran for only five total yards, and Notre Dame's defensive success against the run starts with the defensive line, who delivered a dominant performance.

linebackers: Manti Te'o and Carlo Calabrese combined for 20 tackles, and the linebackers joined the D-line in halting any Boston College attempt at a running attack.

defensive backs: Despite a dominant performance from the team as a whole, the defensive backs gave up 265 yards through the air. Harrison Smith and Robert Blanton each had interceptions.

special teams: David Ruffer extended his games with a field goal streak to eight, and Bennett Jackson provided a spark returning kicks. Ben Turk also averaged 39 yards per punt with a long of 53.

coaching: The Irish came out firing, which can be attributed to the motivation provided by the coaching staff, and the defensive gameplan was clearly successful, but the offense continues to be hot and cold,.

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overall: Notre Dame clearly dominated the football game, and the defensive front seven was incredible. The score could and should have been even more lopsided.

adding up the numbers

Notre Dame's first touchdown came only 1:48 into the game, the quickest Irish touchdown since Nov. 11, 2006.

plays and 4:44. It was the longest scoring drive of the season for ND, both in plays and in time.

Notre Dame's final touchdown drive lasted 14

The 21 points in the first quarter were the most for the Irish in the opening quarter of a road

responded as such to comments by ESPN's Kirk Herbstreit, who before the game had compared the Irish

every day to get

that's really the

honest answer.'

After Notre

Boston College,

Dame's 31-13

victory over

Brian Kelly

better, and

defense to that of a high school team. And while the defense was likely not aware of what Herbstreit said, Kelly's response to the comments reflects something much big-

ger. Throughout the 1960s, 1970s and 1980s, the mystique of Notre Dame's football program grew at an even pace with its success. The Irish won national championships, and in the process solidified a tradition unlike any other. But after being left out of the national championship in 1993, Lou Holtz's departure after the 1996 season and three coaches who led the Irish to various degrees of mediocrity, Notre Dame, on paper, is no longer the football powerhouse it once was. But the mystique remains Somewhere along the line, Notre Dame football transformed from being competition and entertain-



Saturday. Wood caught a screen pass from junior quarterback Dayne Crist before the ball was knocked loose.

Tradition creates undue pressure

And so, the pressure builds. Each year that Notre Dame fails to win its first national championship since 1988, the mythical status of Notre Dame teams of yore becomes greater, while the progress of the actual team playing the games week after week may or may not change.

This seems to be a unique, or at least rare, situation for a college athlete to be in. Certainly, players at programs like Alabama, Michigan and Texas face pressure week in and week out, but that pressure is simply to win, not to uphold the grand status of a program which is so yearning to be brought back to relevance.

The heightened pressure of the Notre Dame football program is not an excuse for underachieving coaches and teams, but it should at least shed some light on what the average Irish player feels as he takes the field each week, and the kind of attitude keeping Notre Dame from its long-awaited 'Return to Glory.

The pressure of the program is by no means a completely conscious thing. Notre Dame players are not worried, in the middle of the play, about defending the standards of Notre Dame football, or about how this one play will affect their chances at a national championship. But the pressure is there. It is very difficult for players to consistently perform at a high level when they are unable to simply relax and play. Not only the game, but the season and the very tradition of the program is at stake each and every play, and that wears on players and teams.

But Brian Kelly's comment, responding to Kirk Herbstreit, is exactly the attitude that can buck the trend.

'Taking it one game at a time' is the sports cliché to end all sports clichés, but it contains a nugget of wisdom, especially for an Irish program with so many intangibles. Kelly is right; if Notre Dame players thought about all the things that are being said about them — by students, alumni, fans and analysts - they would need to crawl under a table to get away from the immense pressure, something that many teams over the past 15 years have done.

Why is it that Notre Dame teams perennially underachieve? Why does it always seem like the Irish have trouble focusing right when they should be concentrating the most? Could it possibly be because they are unable to focus on the situation at hand without adding in the rest of the tradition that is at stake?

During a post-game interview, Davne Crist said that Notre Dame is "just trying to be masters of our own destiny, take it one game at a time and do everything we can to get wins.'

Maybe Kelly's attitude is rubbing off on his players. If that's the case, then this Irish coach has a chance to return Notre Dame to the glory that so many want — a glory which he should try hard to make his players ignore.





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CHESTNUT HILL, Mass. — "If we

spent time listening to what people

say about us, we'd have to crawl

under a table. We can't handle the

big picture stuff. We're just inter-

ested totally on what we can do

game since Nov. 29, 2003

The Irish defense forced Boston College to punt 11 times Saturday, 10 of which came after drives that only lasted three plays.

Boston College ran only 14 plays on offense in the third quarter, gaining one total yard.

After converting his 37-yard field goal in the second quarter David Ruffer has made all 13 of his career field goal attempts.

Armando Allen's 30-yard run on the opening 30 drive tied his career long, set against Purdue in Notre Dame's season-opener.



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Irish defense shows up against run



The Notre Dame defense swarms to stop a Boston College ballcarrier. The Irish defense limited the Eagles to one total yard through the first 13 minutes of the game, and five total yards rushing in the game, on their way to a 31-13 victory.

By DOUGLAS FARMER Sports Editor

CHESNUT HILL, Mass. — Coming into Saturday's game, the Irish had allowed 190 rushing yards per game.

Saturday, they allowed five, compared to forcing 11 Boston College punts and 10 Eagle three-and-outs.

"We knew what Boston College is like; they are a running team," sophomore linebacker Manti Te'o said. "If you want to win, you have to stop what they do best. It was hard of course, because they have a good running back."

Indeed, Boston College running back Montel Harris had run for 329 yards in the Eagles' first three games of the season, but for the second year in a row, the Irish stopped him in his tracks. In last season's match-up, Harris accounted for 38 yards on 22 carries, compared to Saturday's total of 28 yards on 15 carries.

"He's a very good back. You see that on film," sophomore linebacker Carlo Calabrese said. "We just did what we haven't been doing, and we stopped him."

Te'o and Calabrese each had 10 tackles, including four for losses. Notre Dame's next highest tackler was senior defensive tackle Ian Williams with four. Williams said the Irish respected Harris, but when the Notre Dame defense plays like it did Saturday, it does not much matter who is running the ball at them.

"Montel Harris is a really good back,"

Williams said. "But our defense just had a really good game today."

The good game came at an opportune time for the Irish defense. Saturday morning, ESPN analyst Kirk Herbstreit compared Notre Dame's defense to that of a high school's, and while none of the Irish would admit to hearing that particular piece of criticism, they did allow that statements like Herbstreit's both annoy and motivate them.

"Of course we take [those comments] very seriously," Te'o said. "We don't really know what's going on because we don't really listen to what other people are saying, but we're just focused on each other ... It doesn't matter what other people say, but definitely when we hear that stuff it motivates us and makes us better."

That motivation led Te'o and Notre Dame to focus on the start of Saturday's game, a job made easier by the Irish offense's efficient touchdown on its first drive.

"We wanted to start off fast, and our offense was starting off fast too, so that helped," Te'o said. "[Boston College] had that one big play, but other than that, we held our ground. It was a good game."

After the first quarter, in which the Eagles only managed one total yard for the first 13 minutes, the Irish defense somehow gained steam, even limiting Boston College to one total yard in the entire third quarter.

"We were just getting comfortable in what we were seeing," Te'o said of the 60minute performance. "Usually an offense will throw everything they have at you in the first quarter, and you have to adjust from there. We adjusted well and played assignment-sound football."

By doing so, the defense fueled the offense's performance, even if it cut down on its rest time, junior quarterback Dayne Crist said.

"It gives us such momentum, and it takes the life out of teams when the defense plays as well as it did," Crist said. "They made our job easier tonight ... We love it when our defense makes another team go three-and-out because it just gives us another opportunity to score."

For possibly the first time this season, the Irish defense was clicking on all cylinders Saturday, and Te'o said it is something that needs to happen again.

"This is the kind of performance that we knew that we could do week in and week out," he said. "You just have to keep working so that it is more consistent ... We just have to build off of [Saturday's performance]. We have to use it to motivate us and move forward."

Calabrese agreed with Te'o that Saturday's performance should help the Irish in the future, but he had a more specific goal for the defense coming off of an effort in which it gave up only five yards rushing:

"The next is you want minus rushing yards."

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scoring summary

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
ND	21	3	7	0	31
BC	7	6	0	0	13

First quarter

Notre Dame 7, Boston College 0 Dayne Crist 7-yard run (David Ruffer kick) with 13:12 remaining. Drive: 4 plays, 50 yards, 1:48 elapsed.

Notre Dame 14, Boston College 0 Kyle Rudolph 2-yard pass from Crist (Ruffer kick) with 6:26 remaining. Drive: 9 plays, 59 yards, 3:38 elapsed.

Notre Dame 21, Boston College 0 Theo Riddick 20-yard pass from Crist (Ruffer kick) with 2:19 remaining. Drive: 7 plays, 72 yards, 2:22 elapsed.

Notre Dame 21, Boston College 7 Bobby Swigert 58-yard pass from Chase Rettig (Nate Freese kick) with 0:19 remaining. Drive: 4 plays, 68 yards, 2:00.

Second quarter

Notre Dame 21, Boston College 10 Freese 49-yard field goal with 11:32 remaining. Drive: 7 plays, 14 yards, 3:20 elapsed.

Notre Dame 21, Boston College 13 Freese 25-yard field goal with 6:52 remaining. Drive: 4 plays, 10 yards, 1:18 elapsed.

Notre Dame 24, Boston College 13 Ruffer 37-yard field goal with 5:22 remaining. Drive: 5 plays, 26 yards, 1:30 elapsed.

Third quarter

Notre Dame 31, Boston College 13 Armando Allen 2-yard run (Ruffer kick) with 4:39 remaining. Drive: 14 plays, 76 yards, 4:44 elapsed.

statistics

Rushing Yards



Passing Yards



Penalty Yards



Time of Possession

Rudolph



ND gets first win at Chesnut Hill since '98

By DOUGLAS FARMER Sports Editor

CHESTNUT HILL, Mass. — In the series between the nation's only two Catholic universities playing in the Division I Football Bowl Subdivision, Notre Dame earned victories in consecutive years for the first time since 1997-98. The latter of those two years was also the last time the Irish won against the Eagles on the road. Irish coach Brian Kelly did not miss the importance of the road win.

"Any win is a good win," Kelly said. "What I have told our football team is that when you go on the road, and you get off to a good start, and play good defense against the

run, and you don't shoot yourself in the foot on special teams, you've got a chance to win on the road."

Less, but still a lot

One week after recording 21 tackles against Stanford, sophomore linebacker Manti Te'o only managed 10 tackles Saturday. Through five games, the native Hawaiian has 64 tackles, tied for second in the country with Dwayne Woods, Jr., of Bowling Green. Te'o is one tackle behind the nation's leader — Mario Harvey of Marshall.

"He's a good linebacker," sophomore linebacker Carlo Calabrese said of his teammate. "[Those totals] don't surprise me at all. I think there will be a lot more games with 20-plus tackles in

the future for him."

The nation's fourth-most prolific tackler is Boston College linebacker Luke Kuechly with 12.75 takedowns per game. Against the Irish, Kuechly exceeded his average with 14 tackles.

Keep on kicking

Senior kicker David Ruffer has now converted all 13 of his field goal attempts in his career. That streak ties Ruffer for second longest streak in school history and for longest streak to start a career. In both instances, Ruffer is tied with Mike Johnston, who established his marks in 1982.

Furthermore, Ruffer has sent a kick through the uprights in eight consecutive games — every game he has started as Notre Dame's placekicker. The longest streak by a Notre Dame kicker is 16 consecutive games with a field goal, set by Nick Setta in 2000-02.

In memoriam

Boston College senior defensive end Alex Albright, who recorded the Eagles' only sack, wore No. 78 Saturday in memory of his friend and former high school teammate Matt James, who Albright played with at St. Xavier in Cincinnati.

James, who had committed to play for Notre Dame, died in March.

Albright usually wears No. 98.

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Convincing win, but work left

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Notre Dame ended a three-game losing streak with a 31-13 victory over Boston College Saturday. The Irish scored on their opening drive and never looked back, piling on two more touchdowns before the first quarter ended.

Junior quarterback Dayne Crist led the offensive onslaught, with one rushing touchdown and two more through the air. He ended the game with 203 passing yards, completing passes to seven different receivers. Senior running back Armando

Allen led the Irish rushing attack with 90 yards on the ground. The balanced Irish offense tallied 112 total rushing yards.

Sophomore linebackers Manti Te'o and Carlo Calabrese led the Irish defense as it held the Eagles to only five rushing yards, on 23 attempts.



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Clockwise from top: Carlo Calabrese, left, and Ian Williams close in on a tackle; Theo Riddick and Kyle Rudolph celebrate Riddick's first quarter touchdown; Calabrese tackles an Eagles ballcarrier in the backfield; a Bosotn College defensive lineman hits Dayne Crist as he releases a throw; Bennett Jackson breaks through the Eagles kickoff return coverage.