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Forum continues discussion of education reform

Panel focused on issue of developing better schools for nation's youth

By EMILY SCHRANK News Writer

The Notre Dame Forum continued Wednesday as four experts wrestled with the most prominent issues currently affecting American education during the panel discussion "The Conversation: Developing the Schools Our Children Deserve."

The panel, which included perspectives from the founder of Teach for America and a bishop, reflected on which aspects of American education they would like to change.

Juan Rangel, CEO of the United Neighborhood Organization (UNO) in Chicago, which is the largest national Hispanic charter school operator, said his work with the organization highlighted holes in the way Americans approaches immigrant education.

"In many ways we've forgotten what the public school system is

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Forum panelists, clockwise from top left, Randi Weingarten, Bishop Gerald Kicanas, Wendy Kopp and Juan Rangel conversed on the challenges facing the American school system and students.

Students look to service as postgraduate option

10 percent of graduates volunteer at least one year

By MEL FLANAGAN News Writer

Senior Katie Stucko's current application process consists of two interviews — an



Center for Social Concerns hosts service fair

By EMMA RUSS News Writer

Seniors had the opportunity to speak with representatives from more than 80 different service programs at the Center for Social Concerns (CSC) Postgraduate Service Fair Wednesday evening. The event, held in the Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center, provided seniors with information regarding postgraduate opportunities, Michael Hebbeler, director of student leadership and senior transitions at the CSC, said. "The postgraduate service fair is a way for seniors to explore different options," he said. 'There are so many service programs looking for dedicated workers. You don't have to jump right into a career." Each year, about 10 percent

online activity test and numerous essays.

Stucko is not applying for a high-paying financial or accounting position on Wall Street. Instead, she is applying to volunteer as a teacher through the Teach for America (TFA) program.

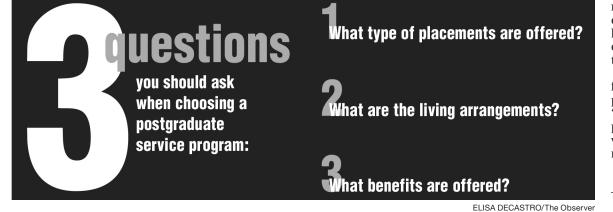
"I'm really into doing what I'm passionate about," Stucko said. "And what I know right now is where I need to be and that is doing this."

Each year, approximately 10 percent of Notre Dame graduates commit to at least one year of service either in the United States or abroad, according to the Center for Social Concerns website.

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MACKENZIE STAIN/The Observer

Junior Taylor Sticha talks to 2005 graduate Erin Good about service with Inner-City Learning Corps. The 2011 post-graduation service fair hosted over 80 different organizations.



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OFFBEAT

Heidi, Germany's famous cross-eyed opposum, dies BERLIN — Germany's

celebrity cross-eyed opossum Heidi - who made an appearance on American television this February predicting Oscar winners died of old age on Wednesday at 3-1/2 years.

The star of Leipzig Zoo became a national darling when her photo appeared in the mass-circulation news-

paper Bild in December. Vith merchandise,

intensified over the last few days - even with increased medication.

"We did everything possible to find the cause of her immobility," Leipzig Zoo Director Joerg Junhold said in the statement.

Doritos founder to be buried with iconic snack

DALLAS — The man credited with creating Doritos will be buried along with some of his beloved snack chips, his family said Tues day.

box at a local cemetery on Saturday.

The family requested that friends and relatives who attend the graveside service be allowed to toss Doritos around the box as a tribute.

"He would think it is hilarious," said his daughter Jana Hacker, a resident of the Dallas area. "The cemetery does not mind because they are biodegradable.

Doritos is the second-best selling chip of Frito-Lay's brands nationally and inter-

campus to seek shelter was issued around 1:45 p.m. The warning was lifted by 2 p.m.

The science fiction film titled "World on a Wire" will be shown at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center tonight at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$3 for students.

The exhibit titled, "Warhol's Camera" is on display at the Snite Museum of Art until Nov. 13. The exhibition focuses on the importance of photography to Warhol's Pop aesthetic and explores a variety of roles that photography played in his work. The museum is open Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.

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a song written about her and more than 330,000 fans on Facebook, Heidi's death will be mourned by many.

The zoo said Heidi had not moved and had been suffering for weeks. The pain had

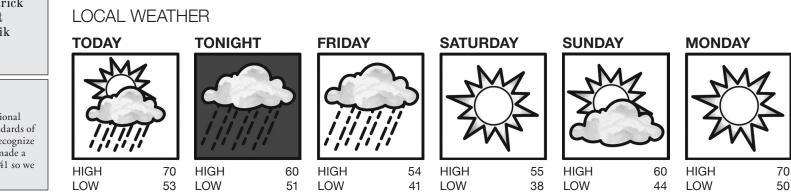
Arch West died Sept. 20 of natural causes at a Dallas hospital. He was 97.

His remains were cremated, and the family plans to bury the urn inside a burial nationally.

Global sales of Doritos were about \$5 billion in 2010.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

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STUDENT SENATE

Members pass resolutions to improve fields, elections

By MEL FLANAGAN News Writer

Student Senate passed resolutions to improve West Quad and Riehle Fields and to reform the election process at its meeting Wednesday.

The proposed changes to West Quad and Riehle Fields, commonly known as McGlinn and Stepan Fields, respectively, include lighting the fields and covering them in turf.

Residence Life Chair John Sanders said the much-needed improvement of these fields was brought to the attention of the Residence Life committee two years ago.

'Use of them has just gone up to such an extent that it would be better for us to have improved facilities there," he said. "Light the field, double the amount of time you can be there, which leads to increased use, which is why we need turf."

Sanders said turf would improve the durability of the field.

'With turf we wouldn't need the maintenance," he said. "The field is compressed with people stomping around and you can't grow grass if it's too compressed and the field quality goes down."

When the idea was initially proposed, Sanders said RecSports and university architects created a plan based on student need and desires

"But the plan has not been acted on," he said. "This resolution is an attempt to reignite the push for this project by demonstrating student need and desire for it.'

Because parts of Riehle fields are already lit, Sanders said the lighting is mostly intended for Mc-Glinn fields and the turf is intended for both.

Sanders said evidence of the

need for these improvements can be seen through intramural and club uses.

"The two most important factors are that last year there were almost 400 intramural games played at Riehle and that club use accounted for over 50 hours per week," he said.

The second resolution passed by Senate comprised two main areas of concern in the election process, Oversight Chair Ben Noe said.

Noe said the first area of concern makes substantive changes in terms of policy issues.

The three policies main changed in the resolution are allegation the confidentiality requirement, the question of what constitutes a list-

serv and how candidate endorsements are handled.

John Sanders

residence life chair

Former Oversight Chair Paige Becker said in past years, if an allegation was made against a particular candidate, then that candidate and the accusing person met with the election committee and would both present their cases.

Then the two parties would leave and the election committee had a hearing and discussed their points," Becker said.

Following the hearing, Noe said candidates would be informed of the committee's decision, but would not be told any reasons why the committee made that decision.

Candidates then had to decide whether or not they wanted to appeal the decision, Noe said. If they decided to appeal they would be told the committee's reasoning only a few minutes before the appeal hearing.

"They had to explain why they thought the violation was wrong but at the same time they were also hearing for the first time exactly what that violation was," Noe said. With the proposed changes, the

vice president of elections is now required to give the candidates a detailed description of the committee's deciprocess. sion explaining what

"The two most they found them important factors are guilty of and that last year there were why. almost 400 intramural "We're trying games played at Riehle to open up the and that club use election commitaccounted for over 50 hours per week."

tee a little more," Noe said. "It was one of the complaints from last year. In addition, if

an allegation is made, the elec-

tion committee will not release the results of the election to the student body until the allegation is resolved.

Another issue raised in last year's election was the question of what constitutes a listserv.

Under the previous rules, the constitution stated candidates were not allowed to campaign via listserv, but it did not specify what exactly a listserv was.

"We decided that a listserv would be defined as any email that ends in '@listserv.nd.edu'," Noe said. "That's what cannot be used in a campaign."

Last year, an allegation was made saying a candidate used a listserv to campaign, Noe said. However, the committee decided that a list of student names, manually typed out, would not be considered a listserv.

In terms of endorsements, Noe said previously candidates were not allowed to solicit endorsements, but were allowed to campaign on them. "But how do you define when a candidate is soliciting an endorsement or campaigning on an endorsement they didn't solicit?" he said.

With the changes, tickets are allowed to solicit and campaign on endorsements from student groups. However, the groups are not allowed to spend any allocated or unallocated funds on the endorsement.

Noe said any group in the Student Union, such as Student Senate, is banned from endorsing candidates. In addition, tickets

may not accept or campaign on endorsements from University offices or departments.

Last year's election committee also made recommendations, which were taken into account in this resolution.

"Because last vear's election system was fairly new as well, we wanted

to work out some kinks we ran across," Noe said.

The main goal of these changes was to constrain the amount of time in which an election could take place, Noe said.

In the past, if possible allegations and a run-off election were taken into account, Noe said the election could remain undecided for weeks, ultimately running into Junior Parent's Weekend.

To avoid that, the committee compressed the amount of time in which allegations can be made and in which certain bodies need to meet during the election process.

First, the election day was moved from a Monday to the previous Wednesday.

On election day, the polls will still close at 8 p.m. and students can file allegations until 11:59 p.m. The election committee then has 24 hours to convene to hear the allegation.

After the conclusion of the hearing, the accused ticket has 12 hours to file an appeal. If an appeal is filed, Senate is required to meet within 24 hours to hear the appeal.

After the decision of Senate, the election committee has 24 hours to meet and make a final decision.

If a run-off election is required, the run-off debate would occur Sunday afternoon and the run-off

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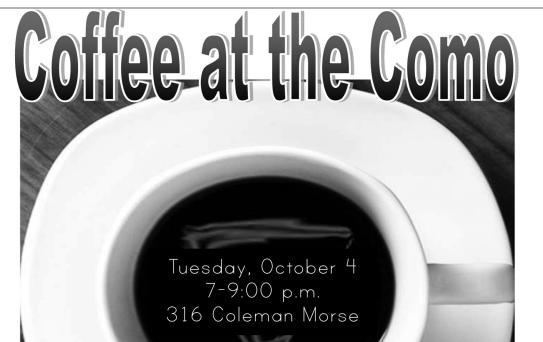
election would be held Monday. Noe said if all the aforementioned events take place the absolute latest decision would be released two Fridays after the initial primary election.

Becker said one main reason for these changes was

the decision to withhold election results if an allegation was filed.

"If the election results were held up for a really long amount of time, then it would delay the run-off," she said. "So we compressed the time that an allegation and appeal process could possibly take and moved the election and run-off election so the timeline would always fit between them."

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Saint Mary's hosts annual Aquinas lecture

By SUSAN HEAD News Writer

College students should not feel the need to be constantly happy, Notre Dame philosophy professor Alasdair MacIntyre said in the annual McMahon Aquinas lecture Wednesday evening at Saint Mary's.

The lecture, "How Truth Is Approached Through Error: Rereading Aquinas's Project at Theologiae' Ia-IIae, qq. 1 and 2," explored the teachings and writings of 13th century theologian Saint Thomas Aquinas MacIntyre began his lecture by discussing the way Aquinas approached philosophy. He said Aquinas first introduced readers to the false conclusions reached by earlier philosophers in order to engage readers in an ongoing philosophical discussion. We as human beings are truth seekers," he said. Self-defeating, error-prone truth seekers." MacIntyre explained how Aquinas examined the natural human tendency to desire happiness in the "Summa Theologiae."

atitudes, but as MacIntrye said, this is a difficult concept for 21st-centruy readers to understand.

"Happiness has become the name of a psychological state,³ he said.

MacIntyre said people are less happy because they have become "foolishly self-indulged." He said people have become "burdened by the notion of happiness" and feel ashamed to admit to being unhappy.

Instead, MacIntyre that people, particularly college students, discredit the concept of needing to be happy at all times. He said it is helpful to be unhappy because through displeasure with the current self, a person may then be motivated to grow in virtue. Thomas Graff, a sophomore philosophy major at Notre Dame, said he enjoyed the lecture as an introduction to Aquinas. "I appreciated [MacIntyre's] ability to not only effectively communicate the misconceptions of human happiness, but also to emphasize the importance of philosophy and virtue as primarily an individual pursuit," Graff said.



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To Aquinas, happiness was defined as an achievement of the virtues, particularly the Be-

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College hosts annual Trot for Tots

By MADELINE MILES News Writer

The Saint Mary's College Dance Marathon sponsored the third annual "Trot for Tots" 5K, which attracted participants from Saint Mary's, Notre Dame and the South Bend community Wednesday.

Co-chair Fundraising Executives juniors Kate Kellogg and Liz Kraig were responsible for planning and organizing the race.

"It's a great fundraiser to start awareness early in the year," Kellogg said. "It's the kickoff fundraiser for Dance Marathon, but it gets the ball rolling on other fundraisers to come."

Kellogg and Kraig were satisfied with the turnout this year. Eighty people preregistered, paying a \$12 fee

that included a tank top. "This is the first year

we've had this many participants pre-register," Kellogg said. "So already, we've raised over \$850 with preregistration."

Last year's Dance Marathon raised over \$63,000 and Kellogg said they hope to increase that by 20 percent.

"That's our goal," she said. Kraig and Kellogg said they are especially happy with the amount of money fundraised, considering the number of students that attend Saint Mary's.

"It's really great that we're able to do so much with the size of our student body," Kraig said. "We also have the help from Notre Dame this year, too, which makes a difference."

The race started at the

the summer to get into great

softball fields and looped around the outer perimeter of Saint Mary's campus twice. The finish line was marked at Library Green in front of McCandless Hall.

"I already enjoy running, so it's something I already love to do," junior Dilan Yuksel said. "It was just awesome that I could combine helping kids with what I already love to do."

Sodexo Dining Services provided refreshments after the race. Gift cards and T-shirts were awarded for first, second and third place runners.

"I ran for the kids," junior Caitlin Walsh said. "There's really nothing more to it. It's just a great cause I wanted to support."

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according to the Center for Social Concerns website.

Stucko hopes to be one of those graduates.

"I'm applying for Teach For America (TFA) right now and Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) later on," she said. "Also a lot of other teaching programs, every one I can find."

Senior Rocky Stroud is applying to ACE as well, in addition to the Peace Corps and Match, a Boston-based program that matches volunteers with six or seven people who they tutor for one year.

"I've been doing service for so long and I didn't want to start in the corporate world right away," Stroud said. "I wanted to take a few years to involve myself in an activity that I couldn't do sitting behind a desk."

The summer after his sophomore year, Stroud participated in a Summer Service Learning Program in Oregon where he worked at a free clinic. He is currently serving as an AmeriCorps volunteer at the Robinson Community Learning Center in South Bend.

Last year, Stroud also traveled to Ammoklee, Fla. for a spring break service trip.

"We helped migrant workers down there, seeing how they actually pick tomatoes and put them in boxes," he said. "It's basically working slavery."

Stucko said she has partici-

high schools and ultimately ply for go to college. educati Stucko said her time in "I ha Houston helped her realize school

she wanted to participate in a program such as TFA after graduation.

"This experience and the others culminated into me thinking this is what I want to do," she said. "I was just doing these things because I really loved it then I realized, oh, I can do this as a real job."

Stucko said the TFA application process is a series of stepping stones, going from sending in a resume and initial application, to a phone interview, to an online exam covering both quantitative data analysis and essays and finally ending in a full-day interview.

"First there's a group interview and at the end you have to teach a five-minute lesson in front of the entire group," she said. "And then there's an individual interview."

Last year, Stucko said about 46,000 students applied and TFA accepted 5,500, which is about 11 percent.

The ACE application is not due until Jan. 25, Stucko said, and the two are very similar.

"There are less stops along the way for ACE," she said. "You need recommendations too though, and you have to take the GRE since it's a masters program."

Stroud said the only application he has begun is for Peace Corps.

'I met with a recruiter at the Career Fair, and then I had a mock interview," Stroud "It wasn't an official ir said. terview, it was more of a meet and greet." Stroud said the Peace Corps only accepts about one-third of its applications, and he has heard a high amount of ACE applicants are waitlisted. "I think a lot of times it goes to the people who start applying early in the fall semester," he said. "The people who think, yes I want to do this and they get the job." Stroud said while many students consider post-graduate service to be a fallback option, those people should still apply for the programs at the same time as they would for a mainstream job. Stucko hopes to transform this experience into her future mainstream job by continuing in the education world after her volunteer teaching experience, and possibly apply for doctoral programs in education management.

"I have dreams of doing school administration kind of things and being involved in larger school reform," she said. "I'm looking at this as a stepping stone into whatever that is."

Stroud said he would like to connect his service work to his future occupation in a different way.

"I want to go into public health," he said. "I want to help write laws or work in hospital administration to continue helping the people I've been serving for so long."

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recent years, that number has increased to 12 or 13 percent.

"More and more students are taking the plunge into postgraduate service," he said. "Those who do are better equipped to pursue fulltime jobs in the future because they have lived, experienced the world and know themselves."

He said two of the most popular programs in recent years have been the Peace Corps and the Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE).

ACE is a two-year program in which graduates serve as full-time teachers in underprivileged Catholic schools throughout the United States, he said.

"Because it's a signature ND program, ACE is pretty competitive. They take about 50 people each year," Hebbeler said. "The most competitive program is probably the Peace Corps, which only takes 20 of the 60 to 70 students who apply."

Despite the competition involved with some programs' application processes, Hebbeler said students should not be discouraged.

"I encourage graduates to think about the work that can speak to them. They should think about their skills, gifts and interests," he said. "There are programs for every student in every major. If you want to do service, you can make it happen."

The majority of Notre Dame students either enter into their respective career fields or begin graduate or medical school the year after graduation, according to Hebbeler.

"It's inertia. All your friends are landing jobs in October or making plans to go to med school, so it seems like the thing to do," he said. "But that's not the point of a Notre Dame education. The point is that Notre Dame forms you in a way that inspires you to address issues of injustice and poverty that burden the lives of so many."

of so many." Caitlin Nichols, a member of the class of 2011, currently works with the St. Joseph Worker Program, an organization based in St. Paul, Minn. and run by the Sisters of St. Joseph.

"I work as a campus minister at a local Catholic high school in St. Paul," she said. "It has been great getting to know the people in this community and figuring out where I fit in and how I can give back."

Nichols, who graduated with a minor in Peace Studies, said she always knew she wanted to do a year of service after graduating.

"For me, it wasn't even a decision," she said. "I was involved with so many programs at ND that were so fulfilling. I knew I wanted to continue in giving back to my community. I have plenty of time to figure out what I want to do with my life, and I think this year of service will help me in the process."

Hebbeler said it is a common misconception that a year of service will make a person less attractive to future employers.

"Most companies will honor a student's decision to do a year of service, even for people who have already signed contracts with companies," he said. "Students need to make the decision to either jump into four or five more years of school or to live freely for awhile and discover more about one's self."

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pated in a multitude of volunteer teaching programs over the years as well.

"I'm a Program of Liberal Studies (PLS) major, so for three years I've done junior great books," she said. "On Fridays we go into South Bend classrooms and basically do PLS material with middle school kids."

Stucko also taught a Sunday school class for Confirmation candidates.

However, Stucko said a defining experience came this past summer when she taught 9th grade English in Houston with a program called Breakthrough Collaborative, a TFA partner organization.

"It's the same model but it's for really intelligent lowincome kids," she said. "It gives them extra help over

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Koehler discusses financial crisis

By VICTORIA MORENO News Writer

Former German President Horst Koehler called for a reimagination of global development and prosperity Wednesday evening.

Koehler, also the former managing director of the International Monetary Fund, delivered his first public address since resigning from his post in the German govern-ment in 2010. His lecture, "The World is at Stake," advocated for a shift from individual-centered analysis to a collective struggle for the common good.

"Individualistic or nationalistic thinking deprives us of one of our fundamental human characteristics - the ability to view the whole picture," he said. "We have to look at the whole picture, taking

into account everyone and everything. We must not only bring the earth under our control but also protect it as a whole.'

Koehler emphasized the need for a collective effort in at-

tempts at resolving the current international financial crisis.

"All citizens need to play a

part in this participatory democracy," he said. "We must help shape our world." According to Koehler, one

of the fundamental lessons learned from the global financial crisis is the government's role as

overseer. "Governments exists to set forth rules for citizens and then they must act as umpires making sure the rules are fol-

lowed, but it is ultimately the citizens who play the game,' he said.

Koehler rejected the notion of specialized knowledge and the belief that the financial crisis should be left in the hands of "experts" or

politicians. "All of us have the "You don't necessary moral need to study credit-deknowledge to assess fault swaps the actions that led to this crisis.² or stand whole mum-

Horst Koehler Former German President

> what happened in that sector was not right," he said. "We all know enough."

Koehler instead called for a collective moral consciousness that emphasized the world population rather than individual nations, regions, states or persons.

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"All of us have the necessary moral knowledge to assess the actions that led to this crisis,' he said. "We all learn, at a young age, that there is good and evil and this helps us judge the

actions in the world."

Koehler advocated for international solidarity, a "global ethos" that strives for susnot tainable development necessarily national growth. "The crisis is not over," he said.

Koehler noted trust, accountability and freedom as key elements that could lead to the sustainable growth and solidarity necessary to bring the crisis to a close.

Koehler said he has hope for the future and borrowed lyrics from the Michael Jackson song "Man in the Mirror."

"If you want to make the world a better place, then take a look at yourself and make a change," he said.

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nity across the board, we're going to see a very prosperous nation."

Randi Weingarten, president of the American Federation of Teachers and a former lawyer said many Americans make the mistake of fixating on one specific problem affecting education, rather than looking at the big picture.

"One thing that I would do is to create a shared understanding in America that public schooling should be about ensuring that all kids, not just some kids, have the opportunity to engage in their future effectively," she said.

Gerald Kicanas, bishop of Tucson, Ariz., focused on children's attitudes toward education, as well as the impact of teachers.

"I hope that they would see schooling as a wonderful opportunity for them," he said. "Something they feel drawn to."

Kicanas said it is important for teachers to enjoy what they are do-

"The best teachers I had were able to cultivate a passionate interest in me," he said. "I wish that teachers in general could live that tremendous vocation of being a great teacher."

Wendy Kopp, CEO and founder of Teach for America, said she would like to change the notion that the place where a child is born determines their educational prospects.

"In a country that prides itself on equal opportunity, we have an education system that doesn't live up to that," she said. "We have a crisis in our country."

Kopp said it is important to recog-

nize how extreme the crisis is and to be able to respond to it.

'We know it doesn't need to be this way," she said. "It requires our embracing a new concept of what education is and requires changes inside and outside of the system, but it can happen."

The panel also addressed the achievement gap in American education.

Rangel attributed the ever-increasing gap to the politics of education.

"It has nothing to do with the kids, but a lot to do with adult interests," he said. "Adults have forgotten what the premise of a public school education is about."

Kopp said the achievement gap has occurred because children in low-income communities face challenges that other children do not.

'Schools aren't designed to meet their extra needs or level the playing field for them," she said.

The panel also touched on the presence of faith-based schools in American education and the issue of school choice.

Kicanas said financial assistance is becoming increasingly important in faith-based schools.

Without some kind of funding, faith-based schools are not going to be viable," he said. "We have to work in a way to try to get there together."

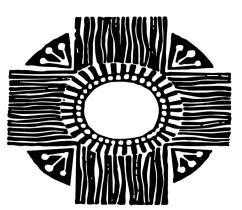
According to Kopp, every parent should be able to choose where he or she sends their child to school.

"I have to say from my vantage point we should be incredibly optimistic [about school choice]," she said. "I'm optimistic because we know now it's possible and we can actually make it happen for our kids."

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INSIDE COLUMN

Our kind of diversity

Wow. My first Inside Column ever. And — you'll agree with me after you read this — probably my last.

First, a confession. I wasn't prepared for this. I realized I was sup-

posed to write this about an hour ago. As I scrambled to find something to write about, I considered football (the forbidden fruit of Inside Columns), Notre Dame tradition, the Forum, even the epic South Bend tornadothat-wasn't. I was clearly desperate for a topic.



Pat Coveney

Photo Editor

I nearly folded. I tried to pawn this column off on another member of the Observer photo department. Then it hit me. Why not write about them? My staff.

Too boring, you say. Maybe a few of you even stopped reading right there. Clearly my brilliant idea of having photographers and graphic designers write these columns as well as writers was a disastrous proposition.

Nay I say to you! My staff is vibrant. Lively. Talented. And diverse.

Just take our nightly editors, for instance. There are five of us. Of the five, one is from Omaha, Neb. and is majoring in Computer Science (or 'ComSci' as she recently informed me). One is from the Seattle area and spent the summer digging up an ancient city in Albania. Another is originally from Vietnam and has the shortest e-mail address possible at Notre Dame. The fourth nightly editor is from New Mexico and is the only girl from Lewis Hall who I've ever met in my four years here. I am the boring one - the 2,504th person at Notre Dame from "near Chicago" and a typical political science major. But that's not the point.

You're probably asking "so what is the point?

The point is that our staff is only a microcosm of Notre Dame. My first two friends here, four long years ago, were from Alaska and Colorado. My roommates when I arrived freshman year were from San Francisco, Mishawaka and Washington, D.C.

If I were a tour guide on campus, I know what I would say. To each prospective student and their parents, I would explain that — more than any other school I've visited — at the Uniersity of Notre Dame you will meet

In the sight of the angels

Do you believe in angels? Do you think they really exist or do they only live in movie characters like Clarence, the big-hearted angel-in-training from "It's a Wonderful Life"? Or are they just handy for solving philosophical puzzles sav

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pin? When you Google "angels" (and get past the Angels of Anaheim fan sites), you can find sites that offer proof proof!! photos!! — of the existence of ghosts and angels ... together!! Despite a surplus of superstitious information, as well as Google's 45.6 million images of angels (with about 45.5 million of them sporting bird- or bat-like wings), quite clearly the existence of angels is well-documented through both the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures. And they have their work cut out for them: in the Bible we find many instances of angels defending heaven, attending the Lord, or "standing before God's throne," and serving as intermediaries. The word angel itself means messenger, primarily a messenger from God to humans.

Today we celebrate the feast of the Archangels — Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, three angels specifically named in the Bible. St. Michael led the "war in Heaven" described in the Book of Revelation, in which he fought Satan and his fallen angels, hurling them

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out of heaven and down to the earth. Gabriel brought messages from God to such well-known Biblical personages as Daniel, Zechariah (the father of John the Baptist), Mary the Mother of God and Joseph. According to Luke's gospel, Gabriel also comforted Jesus while he hung on the cross. Raphael appears in the book of Tobit, one of the canonical books of the Catholic, Anglican and Orthodox Churches, to protect Tobiah, son of Tobit, on an adventurous journey. When Tobiah and Raphael return to Tobit, Raphael heals the blind Tobit and restores his sight.

When we celebrate the feast days of saints, as we have done this week for St. Vincent de Paul, St. Cosmas, St. Damian, St. Wenceslaus and St. Jerome, or of angels and archangels as we do today, we have the opportunity to focus on God, on the communities which surround us and on our own hearts as well, and ask ourselves significant questions. Who has protected us from evil as Michael did? Who has helped us to hear God's words to us, as St. Gabriel brought God's message to Mary? Have we comforted anyone on a difficult journey like Raphael did for Tobiah or taken special care of the poor and the outcast as did St. Vincent de Paul? Do we study the Scriptures with patient care and attention as St. Jerome did?

Too often we mark these special feasts in the life of the Church with admiration for the angels and saints we celebrate ... and we leave it at that. Much of the

reason the Church calls us to rejoice in the lives of these saints is so that we will feel compelled to live as they did, to follow their examples of finding the fullness of life in their own particular relationship with God and with the world.

Consider Dorothy Day, a convert to Catholicism who tirelessly advocated for the poor and lived absolutely simply among the homeless and near-homeless of New York. She once said, "Don't call me a saint; I don't want to be dismissed so easily." She feared being pigeonholed as someone different than the rest of us even as she spent her life trying to focus on what we all had in common. Further, Dorothy feared that canonization even admiration — of the saints leads us to believe that the work of following Christ is reserved for certain people with extraordinary gifts or a unique relationship with God.

Perhaps today, then, on this Feast of the Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, we might ask ourselves who the angels have been in our lives? Even more importantly, we can remember that we too are called to be protectors, messengers and companions — to sing the Lord's praises as today's Psalm proclaims, "in the sight of the angels."

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people who will act as foils for you.

They will challenge you. They will provoke you. They will infuriate you. They will hit on you. They will pray with you. Maybe they'll even save your life (thanks, Chris Masoud!)

This student body is often criticized for its lack of diversity. If diversity is defined narrowly, I agree that Notre Dame is a little weak. But the student body here has a lot to offer - different perspectives, new arguments and fresh ideas. Don't be afraid to share them.

Okay, so what was the point again? Yeah, I'm not sure either. But you know what? I'm at 450 words - so here goes nothing. Hopefully my legacy isn't based on this column.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It is our choices ... that show what we truly are, far more than our abilities.'

> J.K. Rowling author

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How Catholic is Notre Dame?

This is a question that is asked somewhat frequently around here. And since many of those asking the question say that the answer is "not too Catholic" or that Notre Dame has lost its soul, I feel compelled to write a

few words to the contrary. Notre Dame is a very Catholic place. I attended the Uni-

versity of Notre Dame

Fr. Joe Corpora

Guest Columnist

as an undergraduate student, 1972-1976. As a student, I found Notre Dame to be the most Catholic place I had ever been to in my life. I loved it.

After graduation I returned to Notre Dame in 1977 to study for the priesthood. During my years at Moreau Seminary and while studying for the Master of Divinity degree, I found Notre Dame to be a very Catholic place. I loved it.

From 1983 until 2009, I was assigned to work in Holy Cross apostolates in Oregon and in Arizona. I returned to Notre Dame on average three times a year during those 26 years. During my years away, I began to hear rumblings about the Catholic nature of Notre Dame. The controversy surrounding the commencement visit of the President of the United States in 2008 made this question the talk of the nation. Some of my brother priests found it necessary to write articles and letters questioning the Catholic character of Notre Dame.

For 19 of the 26 years that I was away, I served the Church as a pastor. Both in Oregon and in Arizona I was repeatedly struck time and time again by the love, respect, admiration and affection that the people of God have for Notre Dame. Notre Dame is dearly loved by millions and millions of Catholics, not just in the United States, but the world over. And they love it because it is Catholic.

In July of 2009, I was assigned to live and work here at Notre Dame. Through living in Dillon, celebrating the Eucharist in many hall chapels and being around students, I have found Notre Dame to be as Catholic as it ever was. To me this spirit is found everywhere — in our Sunday night masses, in our students, in the staff and in the literally hundreds of programs that are part of Notre Dame life. I find that Notre Dame is still deeply committed to serving the Church, perhaps more now than even when I was a student here.

On Sept. 11, 2011, the Office of the President and the Office of Campus Ministry organized an outdoor Mass in remembrance of the 10th anniversary of Sept. 11. The Mass was beautiful beyond words. As a priest I sat in the front rows facing the altar, so I had no idea how many students were at the Mass until communion. When I walked into the congregation to bring communion, there were students everywhere. There were students for as far as I could see. As I walked back to the altar after communion, there were students kneeling on the grass in prayer. I won't forget this image.

And then there was a candlelight procession from the Hesburgh Library to the Grotto. I was deeply moved by the prayerfulness of the students as they walked silently in procession. And I thought to myself ... what's all this nonsense about how Catholic is Notre Dame? An event like this Mass reveals the deep faith that is part of Notre Dame. It is at the heart of Notre Dame.

Some might say that this Mass does not show that Notre Dame is very Catholic. But I would argue that indeed it does. Our theology shows itself best in our instincts, and so does our life of prayer and faith. I am repeatedly inspired by the deep faith at Notre Dame.

One day last week I received an email from the President of Dillon Hall where I am privileged to live. The email was announcing an upcoming dance. Part of the email read, "Tickets will be on sale in the 24 hour lounge tonight after Mass." I wonder how many other universities and colleges have residence hall presidents sending emails saying, "tickets will be on sale after Mass." It's just how Notre Dame is.

Notre Dame is Catholic, very Catholic. I am very grateful to be working and living at Notre Dame. It is the very Catholic place that it has always been. It strives today, as it always has, to serve the Church. I love Notre Dame.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The football coaching internship continues

Brian Kelly drew the wrong lesson from last year. When Dayne Crist was quarterback, Kelly called plays like a river boat gambler. After losing Crist to a season ending knee injury, freshman Tommy Rees was thrust into the starting role and Kelly started calling conservative games designed to just win, rather than to win with style. The team rallied around its rookie quarterback, thrived in a more sensibly called offense and reeled off four wins.

Kelly would later admit that at his previous colleges, he needed the hyper aggressive play calling to increase attendance. Kelly drew the following lesson. At Notre Dame: (a) he did not need style points; and (b) winning was all that mattered. The first part is true and allowed us to save the 2010 season and enter the 2011 season ranked in the top 20. But the second part is absolutely false.

At Notre Dame, winning at all costs has never been and never will be acceptable. Integrity, loyalty and player development are equal partners with, or more precisely prerequisites to, winning. The college quarterback is the default team leader. He is a player the kids can look up to and one of the few players who can speak for the others to the coaching staff. Crist earned the teams' respect when, as a five star recruit, he chose Notre Dame knowing that he would have just two years of starting behind all-American recruit Jimmy Clausen.

When Crist came back from the 2009 knee injury ready to answer the call for the 2010 season, he re-earned his teams' respect. By the time of the tragic Tulsa game, Crist was the unquestioned team leader. And when he came back from another horrible injury ready to answer the call in 2011, he once again earned the teams' respect. After one half of mediocre play in the first game of the season, Kelly yanked the teams' leader off the field and buried him on the bench. One cannot overstate how emotionally devastating this is to college football players.

They know that, absent a transfer, Crist's once promising NFL career is over. They think, if Kelly can do that to a five-star recruit, one who has earned the teame' respect time and time again as its unquestioned leader, what levelty will

My "year off"

In preparation for last night's Postgraduate Service Fair, the Center for Social Concerns interviewed Joe Kolar, current AR in Duncan and former Lasallian volunteer. Among other things, Joe was asked why he took a year off. This is what he said:

If by a "year off" you mean confronting structural injustice while living and serving with people who taught me more about myself than I could ever teach them, then yes, I took a "year off" from the "real world" of academic and corporate success and discovered just how unreal my own world had been.

A year of service as an inner-city teacher taught me just how much I had yet to learn about what the "real world" really is. I was worried I'd fall behind, but actually, I fell ahead. Thousands of job seekers and grad school applicants have great grades and extraordinary involvement in clubs, but how many can say they spent a year in a foreign country ministering to children with AIDS? Or walking the streets of Detroit to assist street women with health care? Or living in a homeless shelter in Phoenix providing meals day in and day out to the hungry? Experiences like that set a person apart, not behind.

If you're ready and pumped for the corporate world or grad school, go for it. But if the smallest of voices inside says, hey man, now is the time to live and explore and put your hands to work addressing these urgent issues crippling the least of my sisters and brothers, then consider delaying your start date. Corporate firms and graduate schools have granted delayed starts and deferments to past graduates. If the company or school is not receptive to your desire to do service, well, that should tell you something about their values.

And yes, living in community was uncomfortable. It was uncomfortable because I was challenged to confront those personality traits in myself that build walls instead of bridges; uncomfortable because for the first time I was invited to commit to a mission greater than myself and to share the struggles and joys of that mission with others; uncomfortable because in a community I came to see how Christ works through the hands and feet of all people, not just my own.

> Joe Kolar graduate student Lasallian Volunteer 07-09 Sont 28

teams' respect time and time again as its unquestioned leader, what loyalty will he show to me?

For each member of the Notre Dame team to look down the sideline and see Crist sitting there, healthy, is like waking up in the morning to the smell of sausage, eggs and coffee, only to find that the sausage is in fact a turd. Sure, you can pick around it, but your breakfast is ruined. A healthy Crist sitting on the sidelines is a stain that cannot be removed. It will continue to sap the motivation of our players until its resolved.

Kelly is famous for player development — but that has not happened at Notre Dame. Guys who were expected to have break-out years have played the same or regressed: Gary Gray, Darius Fleming, Carlo Calabrese, Harrison Smith, Theo Riddick. There is something deeply wrong with the state of the Notre Dame football team. Numerous bloggers have conducted in-depth statistical analyses to try to figure it out. All of them have failed to identify the one thing that is so obvious — the players are not and will not respond well to the benching of a healthy Dayne Crist (coupled with a head coach that turns five shades of red yelling at them on national television).

The danger of this week's easy game against Purdue is that it risks masking the real problem plaguing our team. Kelly drew the wrong lesson from last year and that is driving a deep wedge between himself and his players. Let's hope he realizes this before the damage becomes permanent.

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By CARRIE TUREK Scene Writer

PEMCo not only knows how to smell success — they can spell it too. With this weekend's production of "The $25^{\rm th}$ Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee," PEMCo promises to captivate audiences with quirky characters, catchy songs and tons of tongue-in-cheek humor.

Director and choreographer senior Clare Cooney, explains why she, along with producers, seniors Will Docimo and Kevin De La Montaigne, chose "Putnam" last May.

"It's got everything you want from a musical comedy," Cooney said. "Fun dance numbers, beautiful music, dynamic characters and most importantly, the most hilarious script I have ever read. 'Putnam' offers a strong ensemble cast and a daring, dry sense of humor that I knew PEMCo could make come alive."

With a cast of only nine and a crew of only 11, "Putnam" has to work hard to ensure both the musical and acting strength of each performer. Cooney and music director, fifth year Mark Wurzelbacher, do this flawlessly. Instrumentation, vocals and choreography mesh perfectly in this nuanced and larger-than-life comedy. "Putnam" captures the insecurities, fears and innocent dreams of six young spelling-bee hopefuls as they ready themselves to compete in Putnam County. The spellers grow with the show, finding friendship and confidence through comedic social interactions and hilarious spelling bee experiences.

As part of a small cast, actors must work rigorously to perfect their solos and lines, practicing about three to four hours each day, five days per week. "Putnam" has been rehearsing for only a short four weeks, following auditions that were held Aug. 25 and 26. Cooney said the small cast size, coupled with the intense rehearsal schedule makes for strong relationships and a stronger show.

"When coming to rehearsal becomes a joy, not a chore, that's when you know you've got the makings of a wonderful show." Cooney said.

The success of "Putnam" was ensured from the beginning. Sophomore Natalie Perez (Logainne SchwartzandGrubenierre) said everyone knew the songs and their harmonies before the first read-through. The actors' investment in their characters and the music is evident in every line they deliver and every action they take.

When asked whether or not she relates to her character, senior Kristy Cloetingh (Olive Ostrovsky) laughed good-naturedly.

"I am an English major." Cloetingh said. "Olive is a nerd. Absolutely."

Senior Sean Leyes (Chip Tolentino) described the characters as being "caricatures, but relatable at the same time."

With a full array of childhood props, including toy soldiers, My Little Ponies, puppets and juice boxes, audience members are transported back to their primary years. Emotions range from enthusiastic ambition to near hopelessness, all perfectly conveyed by invested actors, a beautiful set, well-executed cues and endearing props.

Audience members can look forward to being part of the Bee, as well. The experience of being a part of the show is incredible and unforgettable. Guest spellers are privy to the characters' quirks up close. They partake, firsthand, in the Notre Dame jokes, hilarious words and off-color definitions. Show-goers who wish PAT COVENEY / The Observe

to volunteer should be sure to get to the show a bit early in order to enter the drawing. Four audience volunteers will be chosen per show.

Tickets are available for purchase (\$6 student, \$8 non-student) at the LaFortune Box Office and at the door. Performances will take place in Washington Hall on Thursday, Sept. 29 at 7 p.m., Friday, Sept. 30 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 1 at 4:30 p.m.

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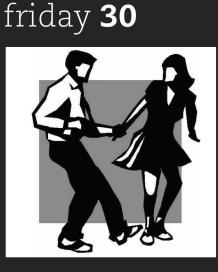
WEEKEND EVENTS CALENDAR

thursday **29**



Brian Regan Morris Performing Arts Center 7:30 p.m. \$15 to \$65

Comedian Brian Regan is bringing his hilarious observational humor to the Morris Performing Arts Center this weekend. His off-center but clean humor will appeal to all senses of humor, so don't miss this opportunity.



Swing Night Legends Nightclub Midnight Free with ID

How awesome are your dance moves? Showcase them this Friday night at Legends's Swing Night. This night is for all talent levels, so head over either to learn or to show off your moves. Just know, your dancing shoes better be on and you ought to be ready to boogey.



"The Secret in the Wings" Debartolo Performing Arts Center 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. \$15 regular, \$12 faculty/ senior, \$7 student

Mary Zimmerman's "The Secret in the Wings" weaves together the stories of a number of fairy tales, many of them rarely told, like "Three Blind Queens" and "The Princess Who Wouldn't Laugh."



sunday 02

Exhibition Hockey game vs. Western Ontario JACC 6:05 to 8:05 p.m. Free

The men's hockey team will open their season with a contest against Western Ontario. Although they haven't yet moved into their new home at the Compton Family Ice Arena, the Irish are still ready to start their season.



By COURTNEY ECKERLE Scene Writer

It has been a Sigourney Weaver overload since her visit to Saint Mary's at the beginning of the week, but it got me thinking about one of my favorite best worst movies — and don't you dare think "Ghostbusters" because you'd be dead wrong. In fact, a very persuasive argument could be made that "Ghostbusters" is an amazingly brilliant movie.

"Heartbreakers" is the winner today.

So for those of you who aren't familiar, it stars Sigourney Weaver obviously, as well as Jennifer Love Hewitt, Ray Liotta, Gene Hackman and Jason Lee. Zach Galifianakis and Sarah Silverman are even thrown in there. A totally random cast — always a best worst movie plus. Also, probably the best tagline in all of movie history, "Caution: Dangerous Curves Ahead."

Weaver and J. Love are a motherdaughter con duo who marry men for the divorce settlement. The mother, Max (Weaver) marries them, and then Page (Hewitt) flounces in as the tempting piece of tail, and voila, divorce court. It all makes a lot of sense. Anyways, everything starts to go wrong as these gauche Gilmore Girls decide to pull one last con, but Page makes the biggest con mistake of all — falling in love.

She falls for the owner of a bar (Lee) way out in the swamps of Palm Beach, which just happens to be on a million dollar tract of land. Dilemma. At the same time, Mommy Dearest is trying to seduce a barely alive human ashtray who happens to be worth billions as a tobacco executive (Hackman), but as Page says, "Old money, but also just plain old." Max uses the disguise of a Russian woman named Ulga, and the Russian accent is classic. Prepare to annoy your friends by speaking in it for a few days.

Basically the entire movie can be summed up in these two lines:

Page: "I can make men do anything." Max: "Boys. You can make boys do anything. Gas station attendants, bartenders, the occasional migrant worker..."

The rest of the movie is spent trying to prove which one is better at manipulating men, so it's great for female selfesteem.

The zany (its always a must watch when you put the word "zany" in there) plot isn't even the best part. It's the puns. This movie is so flipping punny. For instance: "Excuse me, may I grab your nuts? Mmm. Salty." There is a whole lot more that is totally inappropriate, completely hilarious and unfortunately unprintable. You do however get to hear Page get called a junior slut and the seed of Satan by Liotta, which is just funny.

Also for con artists, they wear some fantastic clothing. For the male population, Hewitt's cleavage is pretty much a separate character in the movie. It has a plot line.

Then there's my personal favorite, surprisingly poignant, thought provoking quote, "God is everywhere." "Yes, he is, isn't he? Nosy bastard."

See, Mother? You were wrong. I can learn something from watching these stupid movies.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY Kershaw deserves it

The Cy Young race is all versity of Washington prodabout names. So we are going to play a little game — sort of like one of those dating shows that nobody watches — where

get you'll three of your dream contestants have and choose to one blindly, except you (hopefully) aren't desperate for a match.

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Andrew Gastelum

Sports Writer

a 2.74 ERA (fifth in the NL) with 220 strikeouts (third in the NL) and opposing hitters are hitting .222 against him.

Contestant #2 is 19-6 this year with a 2.35 ERA (second in the NL) with 220 strikeouts (third in the NL) and opposing hitters are hitting .239 against him

Contestant #3 is 21-5 this year with a 2.28 ERA (first in the NL) with 248 strikeouts (first in the NL) and opposing hitters are hitting .207 against him

Yeah, I would probably choose Contestant #3 too, but would you keep that pick if you knew the others were famous supermodels (or pitchers, same difference) - even though Contestant #3 is probably the better pick for you?

After the curtains are raised, Contestant #1 walks out sporting that atrocious San Francisco Giants cap with the nickname "Big Time Timmy-Jim:" Tim Lincecum.

Rumor is Contestant #2 is a doctor, going by Doc, and comes out with a red Philadelphia cap even though we all swear he is Canadian: Roy Halladay.

And then we see #3, a 23-year old kid by the name of Clayton who is probably still kicked out of bars, with a scruffy Teen Wolf beard under a Dodgers cap: Clayton Kershaw.

Now that the contestants have been revealed, it seems easy to go with the first two because they are the bigger names each with two Cy Young awards to their names.

To start with Contestant #1, Lincecum added another great year to his young résumé. But his record was plagued by poor run support from a Giants of- Inside Column are those of the fense that unfortunately lost author and not necessarily catching

uct is undoubtedly worthy of Cy Young contention — and a thorough washing of the grimiest hair since Severus Snape.

But, this year, Kershaw was the better pitcher. The two youngsters were the center of a superb pitcher's duel that has turned into one of the game's best pitching rivalries. Vin Scully even likened it to the colossal Koufax-Marichal battles of old. In the rivals' five meetings, Kershaw was 4-0 and went 5-0 overall against the Giants this season with a 0.59 ERA - not bad for the biggest rivalry west of Fenway Park.

To put it simply, Kershaw was a Giant-killer, and those five wins could have been enough to push the defending world champions into the wild card slot.

Halladay remains a bigger giant to push out of the Cy Young spotlight. The stats are closer to that of Kershaw's, but Halladay made only seven of his 32 starts against teams that entered the final week of the season in playoff contention. Last year's Cy Young winner, the Doc finished with a 1-4 record in these seven meetings. Kershaw, meanwhile, was 12-3 in 18 meetings with teams in playoff contention, including a 12-1 record at home with a 1.72 ERA. Personally, Cliff Lee appears better suited to be the Phillies Cy Young contender than Doc, but the pull of Halladay's name serves its purpose as a black hole on an outstanding staff.

Kershaw became the Dodgers' 16th 20-game winner and accounted for a whopping 26 percent of the team's 81 wins. The southpaw only lost once post-All Star break and only twice since April.

And to save the best for last, Kershaw won the NL Triple Crown for pitching, leading the league in wins, ERA and strikeouts. The Texas native combined with Detroit's AL Triple Crown winner Justin Verlander to become the first duo since 1924 to have Triple Crowns in each league.

And no, I'm not writing this piece while wearing a medium-sized, away No. 22 Clayton Kershaw jersey with a spaghetti sauce stain on it.

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NFL Seymour prepares for former team

Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. Oakland Raiders coach Hue Jackson has no regrets regarding his team's first-round draft pick this year. After all, what's not to like about a 10-year veteran with three Super Bowl rings and six trips to the Pro Bowl?

"Richard Seymour is everything that we thought he would be and a little bit more," Jackson said on a conference call Wednesday. "I tell everybody, he was our first-round draft pick this past year. I'm very happy about what happened as far as the trade to here and he's playing well for us."

The New England Patriots also have no qualms with the controversial 2009 preseason deal that sent Seymour to the Raiders for their first-round pick in April's draft. Although facing Oakland's 310-pound defensive tackle for the first time on Sunday poses a formidable yet faintly familiar test.

This is the first time outside of the thousands of practices that we've run into each other," said Patriots offensive tackle Matt Light, drafted in 2001 by New England 42 picks after Seymour. "I think it's go-ing to be a dogfight. He knows a lot about the guys that we have up front, so I'm sure he's looking forward to it as well."

The Patriots stunned their fans by sending the then-eightyear veteran to the Raiders on Sept. 6, 2009, one week before the season opener. Entering the final season of his contract at the time, Seymour refused to report to the Raiders in the ensuing days, reportedly perturbed by the trade.

When he did make an appearance in Oakland's first game, though, he was back to his scary self, recording six tackles and two sacks on the way to 47 tackles and four sacks on the year.

Reflecting on his time in New England, Seymour said on a conference call, can wait until retirement.

"That chapter's closed and over and done with," he said. "I definitely understand I'm on the back nine right now, but I'm looking to finish strong."

He certainly knows how to start strong.

Now in his third season donning the silver and black, Seymour has 10 tackles and 2.5 sacks, helping lead the Raiders to a 2-1 mark.

"He's a tough, hard-nosed othall nlaver



Raiders coach Hue Jackson argues a call in Denver on Sept. 12. He and Richard Seymour have led Oakland to a 2-1 start.

England quarterback Tom Brady, Seymour's teammate for the duration of his Patriots career. "He has high expectations for himself, he really gets after the quarterback, he plays the run well, he's obviously a leader in that defensive front there and when he gets going, they all get going. That's the thing, they really rally around him

"When he makes his plays, then they all start making plays.'

That's what worries the Patriots (2-1).

Set to turn 32 next week, Seymour doesn't seem to have lost a step, something many expected from the former New England captain. In fact, his second season in Oakland was better than his first, collecting 48 tackles and 5.5 sacks in just 13 games.

The Raiders organization seems to believe Seymour's not finished yet, either, signing him to a two-year, \$30 million contract extension in February, at the time making him the highest paid defensive player in the league. He rewarded the franchise with three solo tackles and a pair of sacks in the Raiders' seasonopening win over the Broncos.

"Obviously, he came from (New England), has done a great job here of being, one, a pro, number two, mentoring our players and making them understand what it takes to be the best they can be," Jackson said. "He's been tremendous to our staff because he's a leader of men and he understands what it takes to get this job done week in and week out. So he's heen unhelievable for our

Oakland after playing 11 seasons in Kansas City before joining New England earlier this month, faced Seymour three times in the past two years. He believes Seymour could have benefited more from playing his entire career in the Raiders' fierce 4-3 system.

"If he had played in a 4-3 system his entire career," Waters said, "we'd probably be talking about" Seymour being one of the best defensive lineman ever.

Admittedly humbled and honored by the comment, Seymour stressed his all-around ability, saying he didn't set out to be stronger in one scheme or another.

"When they speak of 3-4 defensive ends, I want my name to come up. When they speak of 4-3 defensive tackles, I'm trying to make my mark there as well," he said. "Wherever I'm at, I just want to be the best at doing what I do."

To Jackson, he already is.

"I think he is one of the best defensive tackles ever," Jack-son said. "This guy is as good as there is in football. I'm just so excited he's here playing for us and we don't have to play against him."

That's Light and the rest of the offensive line's problem now.

"Richard's just one of those guys that he's got multiple moves, he plays with a lot of strength and he's very disruptive," Light said. "Richard's always been the guy that is playing to the whistle and real physical in everything that he does.

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MLB Rockies conclude losing season with solemn win

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — The postgame hugs and handshakes had little zest.

The Colorado Rockies piled out of the dugout and moved in from all corners of the infield to congratulate themselves on the only thing left to celebrate: Not finishing last in the NL West, avoiding 90 losses and, perhaps most gratifying, finally being able to say this sorry season is over.

Finally.

Kevin Kouzmanoff had three hits and drove in two runs, and the Rockies beat the San Francisco Giants 6-3 on Wednesday.

"We know where our situation is," Rockies manager Jim Tracy said. "We're going to get busy here a hell of a lot sooner than later and do some of the things necessary to turn the tables on what is definitely a very disappointing season. But we're going to solve it."

As a small consolation, the Rockies will at least be able to soak in a win this winter.

Drew Pomeranz (2-1) outpitched fellow rookie Eric Surkamp (2-2) in their second matchup in two weeks and Jordan Pacheco added a pair of RBI singles for the Rockies, who snapped a seven-game losing streak to the Giants.

The series finale that many thought could have playoff implications in April became an afterthought.

San Francisco (86-76) wound up in second place in the NL West behind playoff-bound Arizona, becoming the first defending World Series champion not to make the playoffs since the 2007 St. Louis Cardinals. Colorado (73-89) finished fourth, just ahead of the last-place San Diego.

"We ended up on a positive note," center fielder Dexter Fowler said. "These aren't the expectations we have for ourselves. At the same time, we want to go out and have fun next year and exceed expectations." The finale attracted a sellout crowd of 41,873, many of whom took every last chance to cheer the 2010 champs. The Giants returned to the field several minutes after the final out to show their appreciation.

By then, the Rockies were already packed up in the visitors' clubhouse and heading into an uncertain offseason.

They had plans — and, on paper, all the talent — to make a run at the division title. These two clubs were considered strong contenders to win the West when the season began, and both have busy winters ahead: Among the Rockies' top priorities is acquiring a frontline starter, while the Giants again need a big bat.

"I think the important thing is we've kind of realized the error of our ways this year," Tracy said. "Obviously, we were beat up this year, but there's still other things we need to do to be an efficient club. And as we go into the winter and we go into spring training, that's basically the message."

Giants manager Bruce Bochy and Tracy went with young lineups to evaluate who might make an impact come 2012.

San Francisco's lineup featured only one starter from opening day in Pat Burrell who might have played his final game — and only two players who were even on the 25-man roster on March 31 at Dodger Stadium: Burrell and infielder Mark DeRosa.

San Francisco lost reigning NL Rookie of the Year Buster Posey to a devastating seasonending leg injury in a homeplate collision with Florida's Scott Cousins on May 25 and also went without second baseman Freddy Sanchez because of a shoulder injury that required surgery.

Many Rockies regulars sat out, too. No injured Carlos Gonzalez or Troy Tulowitzki, the two stars who received hefty new contracts last winter. Todd Helton is hurt, too.

MLB Marlins commence Guillen era

Associated Press

MIAMI — Fresh off a divorce in Chicago, Ozzie Guillen has been reunited with the Florida Marlins and owner Jeffrey Loria.

Guillen tends to speak his mind, while Loria leads the league in managerial changes, but both dismissed predictions about a rocky relationship as way off base.

"When we used to go to the winter meetings together, people went, 'That's a crazy combo,'" Guillen said. "But we know each other."

So there's no reason to anticipate Guillen ruffling feathers?

"I couldn't care less about feathers," Loria said. "I don't have any feathers. And I don't care about him ruffling anybody. Ozzie has his opinions, and he's entitled to them. You know that going in. But Ozzie comes with a great pedigree."

And so the Ozzie era began in Miami. Hours before the Marlins' final game in the stadium they're leaving, they formally introduced Guillen as their manager Wednesday.

"It's a big, big step in my career, a new chapter," Guillen said. "Hopefully I can bring energy, flavor and enthusiasm, but the most important thing is a winning team."

The announcement carried little suspense. Shortly after Guillen resigned Monday as the manager of the White Sox, his website leaked the news that he had agreed to become the Marlins' manager. He agreed Tuesday night to a four-year contract and succeeds 80-year-old Jack McKeon, who is beginning his latest retirement.

The Marlins are staggering to a last-place finish in the NL East. With the team moving to a new ballpark and making a push for more fans and more wins, Loria wanted an experienced manager.

He turned to one of the game's most captivating but unpredictable personalities. "I think we can turn it



Marlins manager Ozzie Guillen speaks during his introductory press conference Wednesday in Miami.

around next year," Loria said. "When you have a — for lack of a better word — category five manager, it's going to happen."

The two first met more than 20 years ago at a game in which Guillen played.

"I was sitting in the first row," Loria said, "and he came over to me and started talking, and talking, and talking. And the umpire had to come over and say to him, 'Mr. Guillen, you're up.""

After Guillen retired and returned home to Venezuela, Loria coaxed him back into baseball as a coach. Guillen was McKeon's third base coach with the Marlins' 2003 World Series championship team, then became the White Sox manager that November.

Guillen led the White Sox to the 2005 World Series title, but his eight-year tenure in Chicago was often stormy and his departure was messy. Loria, meanwhile, has gone through a succession of managers trying in vain to return to the playoffs. Strong-willed Joe Girardi lasted only one season in 2006, clashed with Loria and others in the organization, and was fired shortly before being chosen NL Manager of the Year.

Guillen will be Loria's fourth skipper since early 2010. Guillen said he hates being second-guessed and knows how to discourage Loria from doing so, since the owner's box is next to the Marlins' dugout.

"I will ask, 'What would you do right now?' before the fact," Guillen said. "I'll say, 'Hey, I'm going to make a move. What do you think?' See what he says. He won't know what to say."

But Loria said he'll continue to be a hands-on owner. "I'm involved," he said. "I

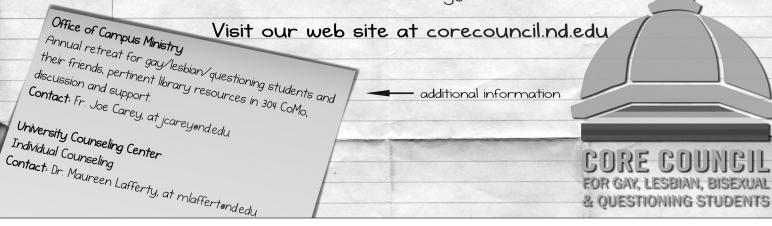
"I'm involved," he said. "I do care. I want to see the fans in this community have a ballclub commensurate with the new stadium. I don't think you can say being involved is a bad thing. In 2003 I put my foot down and said, 'We need a catcher here, and we're going to sign Pudge Rodriguez.' Well, I guess that worked out."

Aside from satisfying the boss, the biggest challenge for Guillen may be to tap full potential of 2 NL batting champion Hanley Ramirez, whose effort and attitude have frequently been questioned. Ramirez endured a disappointing, injury-plagued season. 'One thing I guarantee you — he will be back where he was," Guillen said. "Hanley is the biggest piece of the puzzle in this organization, and I've got to make it work. You are going to see a different guy on the field. I guarantee you when you see Hanley in spring training, he is going to have a smile." Ramirez said that sounded good to him. Whatever Ozzie brings to make me better is good for me," Ramirez said. "I still have a lot to prove in this game. He's going to help me tremendously."



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NFL

Bryant mulls over Italy offer

Associated Press

NBA

MILAN — Kobe Bryant said it's "very possible" he will play in Ita-ly during the NBA lockout, adding the country is like home because he spent part of his childhood there

Virtus Bologna has made numerous contract offers to the Los Angeles Lakers star. Bryant discussed the offer with the Gazzetta dello Sport during a sponsor's appearance in Milan on Wednesday.

"It's very possible. It would be a dream for me," Bryant said, ac-cording to the Gazzetta. "There's an opportunity that we've been discussing over the last few days. It's very possible and that's good news for me."

Bryant later spoke to a crowd - in Italian — at the event in Milan.

"I don't know what's going to happen over the next three or four weeks, but Italy has always

been in my heart," Bryant said. Virtus told The Associated Press that the latest talks are centered on a \$2.5 million offer for 10 games over 40 days from Oct. 9 to Nov. 16. That would come out to about \$1.5 million after taxes.

The deal would allow Bryant to return to the Lakers immediately if the lockout ends.

The 33-year-old Bryant spent several years in Italy when his father, Joe Bryant, played on five teams from 1984-91. The elder Bryant, who once owned a small part of Olimpia Milano, now coaches the Los Angeles Sparks in the WNBA.

"Italy is my home. It's where my dream of playing in the NBA started. This is where I learned the fundamentals, learned to shoot, to pass and to (move) with-



Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant gestures to the crowd during a sponsor appearance in Milan on Wednesday.

out the ball," Kobe Bryant said, according to the Gazzetta. "All things that when I came back to America the players my age didn't know how to do because they were only thinking about jumping and dunking."

Turkish club Besiktas and at least one team in China have expressed interest in Bryant, a winner of five NBA championships and 13-time All-Star. However, he seems most interested in the Virtus offer.

"It's a huge honor for me to return to Italy. It's home for me," Bryant said in fairly fluent Italian in a video posted on the Gazzetta website. "It's always been a dream for me to play in Italy. We've got to wait and see what happens.'

Virtus also recently reached out to Manu Ginobili, who played with Bologna before joining the San Antonio Spurs in 2002. Denver Nuggets forward Danilo Gallinari rejoined his former Italian club Olimpia Milano last week.

The NBA season usually begins in late October, but owners and players have failed to agree on a new labor deal. The two sides are at odds over how to divide the league's revenue, a salary cap structure and the length of guaranteed contracts.

Last week, NBA officials announced the postponement of training camp and the cancellation of 43 preseason games.

Virtus has won 15 Italian league titles but none since 2001, when it also won the Euroleague for the second time.

Bologna opens the Italian league against Roma on Oct. 9. It did not qualify for this season's Euroleague, although the team has big ambitions after signing former Clemson point guard Terrell McIntyre, who led Siena to four consecutive Italian titles before transferring to Malaga in Spain last season.

Eagles QB Vick plans to play against 49ers

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — A badly bruised hand isn't going to keep Michael Vick off the field.

Vick practiced Wednesday and said there's a "100 percent" chance he starts when the Philadelphia Eagles (1-2) host San Francisco (2-1) on Sunday.

The star quarterback was initially diagnosed with a broken, non-throwing hand after getting hurt in a 29-16 loss to the New York Giants three days ago. But tests on Monday revealed he had a contusion on his right hand.

"Even if it was broke, I think I would have probably padded it up and went back out there," Vick said after a morning walkthrough. "You got to take precaution, but this is what I love to do."

Vick hasn't finished two of Philadelphia's three games both losses. He suffered a concussion in a 35-31 loss at Atlanta on Sept. 18.

"I just want to be there for my teammates and hold myself accountable for my responsibilities and what I have to do as a quarterback," he said. "So regardless of what I have to go through, I just want to be there."

Coach Andy Reid said he wants to make sure Vick can take snaps without any problems.

"Ball handling, obviously is very important, in particular under the center, that's where the problem would be," Reid

said. "Shotgun, you can get away with it, but under the center you've got to be able to squeeze and right now that's not 100-percent. So, we've got to see. I don't know how fast it'll come back. I can't tell you that.'

Vick said he did everything at practice despite a little soreness.

"I'm very encouraged," he said.

Vick again apologized for criticizing the officials and saying he takes too many late hits without getting the benefit of a roughing-the-passer penalty.

"I think I was frustrated because I got hit late and I hurt my hand on that play and I couldn't finish the game because of that," Vick said. "That was one of the reasons I was frustrated. I don't want any special treatment. All I want to do is go out and play my game. If they feel there's a need to make a call, then they'll make it. If not, then I won't say anything about it."

Vick got a laugh out of the New York Post cover that had his face attached to a baby's body wearing an Eagles bib and holding a bottle.

'My kids were killing me about that. That was a good one," Vick said. "I guess when you sit on the podium and you make excuses like that, then you're going to be labeled a crybaby, so maybe I did deserve it."

Though still early, Vick and the Eagles find themselves in last place in the NFC East, as the Giants, Redskins and Cowboys are all 2-1.

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NBA

Lockout enters key stretch before weekend meetings

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Regular-season games could be at stake when NBA owners and players meet this weekend.

And those might not be all that is lost, Commissioner David Stern warned, without real headway toward a new labor deal.

"All I'd say to that is that there are enormous consequences at play here on the basis of the weekend," Stern said Wednesday. "Either we'll make very good progress, and we know what that would mean - we know how good that would be, without putting dates to it — or we won't make any progress and then it won't be a question of just starting the season on time, it will be a lot at risk because of the absence of progress.'

Talks between negotiators ended after two days Wednesday so they could return home before summoning their respective bargaining committees to New York for the most important stretch of the lockout. They will meet Friday and are prepared to talk through the weekend if progress toward a new collective bargaining agreement is being made.

There hasn't been enough of it so far, with the lockout nearly three months complete.

Both Stern and union president Derek Fisher of the Lakers said they are not close, with the Nov. 1 season opener a little more than a month away, and Fisher added the commitment to block out multiple days this weekend "points more toward the calendar than actually be-

ing able to measure progress."

'It points to the realities that we face with our calendar and that if we can't find a way to get some common ground really, really soon, then the time of starting the regular season at its scheduled date is going to be in jeopardy big-time," he added.

Training camps already have been postponed and 43 games scheduled for the first week of the preseason have been canceled. The league has said it will make decisions about the remainder of exhibition play as warranted, and those could come shortly.

Fisher said some of the league's biggest names could join the executive committee in Friday's meeting, and Miami guard Dwyane Wade has committed to attend.

Wade was part of a meeting about labor issues at the 2010 All-Star weekend in Dallas, when players were briefed about owners' plans for dramatic changes to the league's salary structure. Owners have been looking to reduce the players' guarantee of basketballrelated income from 57 percent to somewhere in the mid-40s.

"I look forward to learning something that I didn't learn two years ago," Wade told The Associated Press in a telephone interview. "Hopefully, it's different information, something that will move us forward. Hopefully we don't walk out of the meeting back at where we were at the All-Star game two years ago."

Wade has been in New York for the past couple days for business meetings. When the invitation came to attend Friday's session, he did not hesitate.

"I've talked to a couple guys," Wade said. "I'm here. ... I was going to leave tomorrow, but I'm going to stay in town and go to the next meeting.'

Fisher will brief the players first on the state of the talks.

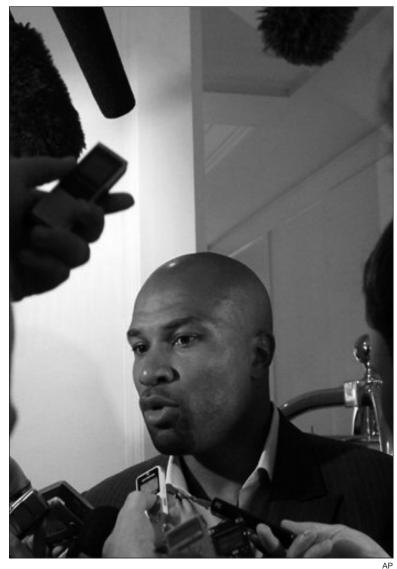
"I can't say that common ground is evident, but our desire to try to get there I think is there," Fisher said. "We still have a great deal of issues to work through, so there won't be any magic that will happen this weekend to just make those things go away, but we have to put the time in.'

The sides met for about four hours Wednesday, again in small groups.

The full groups have met only once since the lockout began July 1, and it resulted in a setback. Players were prepared to make what union executive director Billy Hunter called a "significant" financial concession, but owners rejected their call to leave the current salary cap structure intact as a condition of the move.

Deputy Commissioner Adam Silver said it was time to go back to the larger groups again because "whatever decisions we are now going to be making would be so monumental given the point of the calendar that we're at."

Stern wouldn't comment on reports that owners had softened their insistence on a hard salary cap in favor of adding more restrictions to the current cap system that allows teams to exceed it through use of certain exceptions. Nor would he say if



NBA players association president Derek Fisher speaks to reporters about the lockout June 21.

the season could still start on Nov. 1 without any preseason play.

"I shouldn't deal with hypotheticals here," he said. "I'm focused on let's get the two committees in and see whether they can either have a season or not have a season, and that's what's at risk this weekend.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles defeat Albion to extend MIAA win streak

By CONOR KELLY Sports Writer

The Belles faced conference rival Albion at home Wednesday and came away with a 3-0 (25-15, 25-17, 27-25) victory against the Britons. Saint Mary's (6-7, 4-4 MIAA) took its third straight MIAA match and secured its fourth-place spot in the confervith the win.

season, junior Danie Brink led the Belles in assists with 38. The rest of the team combined for three.

"We passed very well today, and that's what led to our good numbers in the kills department," Kuschel said. "Allison and Danie are really connecting right now."

The win was the third in a ow for the Belles and

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"This was a must-win match for us," Belles coach Toni Kuschel said. "One of our goals from the beginning of the season has been to finish top-four in conference, and we had to have this match tonight."

Junior Allison Zandarski had 11 kills and .476 hitting percentage in the match. First year Kati Schneider and junior Stephanie Bodien chipped in with eight and nine kills, respectively. The match, however, was won on the other side of the court as the Belles collected 61 digs as a team and held Albion to a .142 hitting percentage. Senior Meghann Rose led the squad with 14 digs.

"Our defense played excellently today," Kuschel said. "Rose leading the team in digs was huge, and Annie Bodien really stepped up.'

As she has in every match this

their first half of the MIAA schedule.

"We want to take care of business and control our own destiny," Kuschel said. "We're happy to get the wins we did the first time through, but we want to add to those this time around."

Kuschel said seeing teams for the second time will be beneficial for the Belles as many teams, including Saint Mary's, have youth-laden rosters.

"We've got a week now to get ready for Kalamazoo," Kuschel said. "So we'll be watching tape and making adjustments because so much can change from the first time you see a team to the next.'

The Belles next play Oct. 7 at home against Kalamazoo.

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Calvin

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the second, keeping the game tight even as Calvin outshot Saint Mary's 26-11.

"In the first half, our keeper, Chanler Rosenbaum, made a number of fantastic saves," Rompola said. "She kept us in the match early on."

Rompola filled in for Belles coach Michael Joyce, who was spending time with his family after his wife gave birth Tuesday. Although disappointed by the loss, Rompola acknowledged that the Belles' strong showing against the Knights was a sign of progress.

"They're strong, they're a strong team," he said of Calvin. "We played well against them. It was a good effort by the team and it's a measure of where we want to be."

Despite his optimistic take on the Belles' narrow loss, Rompola identified some aspects of the team's play he would like to see improved in time for the next game.

"We just need to keep being able to get the ball forward and find more opportunities to get shots on goal," Rompola said. "In the second half we were able to get better possession, but we just didn't find quite as many opportunities as we would have liked to have seen to put the ball in the back of the net."

The Belles will look to rebound when they take on Kalamazoo at home Saturday at noon.

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Recruit

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so I was recruiting the same players also."

Clark made specific contacts in Massachusetts that helped land him two current players — Maund and sophomore forward Leon Brown. Paul Sugg, their high school coach at The Roxbury Latin School and Clark's contact from his days at Dartmouth, recommended both players to Clark.

"When someone like Paul Sugg says they're a good player, you listen," Clark said. "You kind of develop certain pipelines."

The Irish roster features players from 17 different states, reaching as far west as California and as far south as Texas.

Unlike football, where high school games are the main attraction, soccer recruiting focuses mainly on club teams, Clark said.

"That's really where you do most of your recruiting," he said. "A good club team will consist of the best players from four or five high schools in the area. It makes a lot of sense to go to club teams."

If club teams are a bank vault of talent, consider the new Development Academy the Federal Reserve.

The Development Academy, run by the United States Soccer Federation (USSF), takes some of the best clubs teams nationwide and partners them with the USSF to produce the next



Irish junior midfielder Dillon Powers protects the ball from a Louisville defender during Notre Dame's 1-0 win over the Cardinals on Sept. 24.

generation of National Team members.

Clark said the majority of the best players will be in the academy system, but there also remain viable substitutes such as clubs teams and high school squads.

"Most of the U.S. scouts will be there," Clark said of the academy system. "They play 10 months of soccer. A lot of them don't play for their high schools. I'm not sure about that, I think it's good for kids to play for high schools."

Some of the academy recruits even go straight to the pros, a concept Clark said does not fit with the Notre Dame imprint.

"A lot of kids wouldn't be a good fit for Notre Dame," he said. "The academic standard is high. They have to be a good fit personality wise. The have to know what Notre Dame is about. We are in a different market."

The No. 11 Irish return to action Saturday when they face St. John's in Jamaica, N.Y.

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Holt

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From Purdue, the Holts moved to Florida, where Susan took over the head coaching job at South Florida. Tim continued to work in golf, and took on a couple coaching jobs as well, at Zephyrhills High School, and later at Saint Leo University. While down south, they also started a family, welcoming children Justin and Kristin.

After 13 successful seasons at South Florida, including five conference championships, two NCAA championship appearances and receiving the title "Coach of the Decade" in Conference USA, Susan accepted a job offer from Notre Dame, and the family returned to the Midwest.

"We moved here six years ago," she said. "I got hired by Notre Dame, and [Tim] started as an instructor locally and worked at [local course] Juday Creek in the summers. He really immersed himself in the golf community here, and he was an obvious candidate when Holy Cross was looking for a head coach."

Since the two have taken their current coaching jobs, they've enjoyed an impressive run. Aided by the assistance they receive from one another, Tim's Saints have won four tournaments under his command, while Susan's Irish have won 10 tournaments and two Big East championships. Notre Dame also made their first-ever NCAA championship appearance last season.

"Having each other has been really helpful over the years," Susan said. "[Tim] played college golf, and he's in the business of golf, so he's been able to help me a lot."

Between the commitments of practices, tournaments and golf's demanding travel schedule, it can be difficult for the Holts to balance the demands at work and at home. After a few years of practice, though, they've managed to find a routine that allows success on the course as well as quality time at home. "It's challenging," Susan said. "We have a daughter who's 13 and a son who's 15, so it requires a lot of time management. We keep in touch throughout the day and we make sure that they're getting picked up and that we're there when we need to be. It definitely keeps us busy."

For the Holts, though, they wouldn't have it any other way.

way. "I've been doing this for 22 years now," Susan said. "This is what I do and this is what I love, and I think my husband feels the same way. It's a good fit for us right now, and we'd like to keep this going."

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Medalist

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ground on the two teams and close the gap."

The Belles have been close to putting together solid rounds, but big numbers have plagued them all year. Brown said she understands the importance of keeping a clean round and executing the small things. It separates the mediocre teams from the great toams, she said

great teams, she said. "When you compare the teams who are winning national championships to the ones who are placing lower, it all comes down to the short game and minimizing errors," Brown said.

Brown said Saint Mary's needs a complete team effort to be successful in this week's match, a theme it will need to continue throughout the remainder of the season. "I would like to be able to string together some consistent low rounds," Brown said. "I also want to remain focused and confident with my ability this week. That is something that not only myself, but everyone else on the team is aiming to do as well. "We drive each other as a team. Not one score can lead a team to victory. It takes good scores from each and every individual to get us to where we want to be.

Saint Mary's and Albion will face off Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Medalist Golf Course in Marshall, Mich.

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Kirsten Prout, 21; Hilary Duff, 24; Mira Sorvino, 44; Jane ane Garofalo, 47

Happy Birthday: Expand your dreams, hopes and wishes, and don't stop until you reach your goals. You have what it takes to convince others to assist you in getting what you want. Change is upon you and good fortune can be yours if you invest wisely in you and your surroundings. Don't let anyone push you when you should be the one forcing issues. Your numbers are 5, 16, 19, 21, 25, 38, 42.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Take hold of your situation. Persuade others to pitch in and help. Social gatherings will be a perfect forum for you to test the waters and plant seeds for future prospects. Love is in the stars. Make romance your goal this evening. $\star \star \star$

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You cannot make a mistake now, especially with regard to work or finances. Refuse to let aggressive individuals overpower you. Your imagination may be captivated, but do the math before you sign an offer that is questionable. $\star \star \star$

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Force issues if necessary to keep things moving in a direction that suits you. Your aggressive and playful way of handling others will impress and help you drum up support. Strive to achieve and you will surpass your goals. Love looks inviting. *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You'll have trouble controlling your emotions. Don't make a rash decision based on hearsay. Adapt to whatever is going on around you so that you can move on. You may have to reassess a relationship. Change is upon you. $\bigstar\bigstar$

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You can manage more than you realize. Communicate how you feel matters should be handled. Your suggestions, coupled with being proactive, will push you into a leadership position. Love is in the mix, along with a vacation. $\star \star \star \star$

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Look, and you shall find. Revisit past experiences to find old plans that can help you now. A change in career or an increase in earning potential is apparent. Consider invest ing in you and your expertise. There is money heading your way. $\star\star\star$

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Show everyone what you are worth and how you can use your skills to benefit others. Exploit your talents and you will gather interest. A unique idea will add to your popularity. Consider how you can improve your image and appearance. $\star\star\star$

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Information may be withheld. Dealing with authority figures will be frustrating. You'll have to spell out what you want, but don't get angry. Equip yourself with knowledge to prove your point. Accurate facts will make a difference. ***

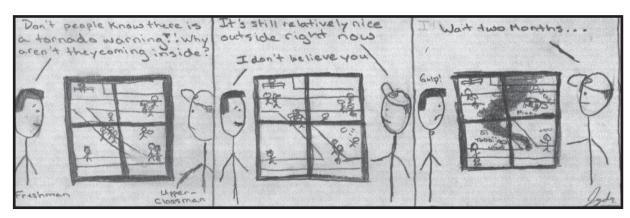
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Whatever you do will bring about benefits and better options. A change at home will open your eyes to new possibilities. A sudden change in your financial situation can be expected. Good fortune coupled with romance spells victory. ****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't rely on others. You will be disappointed if you allow someone's bragging or empty promises to lead you astray. You are best not to put up a fight, but instead quietly remove yourself from an adverse situation. $\star\star$

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You've got nothing to lose and everything to gain. The coast is clear to change your life. Explore any avenue that will lead to an improved lifestyle and better living arrangements. Money is in the stars, along with love and commitment. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Let your creativity lead you in a new direction. You will capture the interest of someone who wants to form a partnership. Aggressive action will pay off in business if you are diligent and realistic. Protect your rights, possessions and reputation. $\star\star\star$

Birthday Baby: You are an intuitive, intelligent, interesting and charismatic leader.



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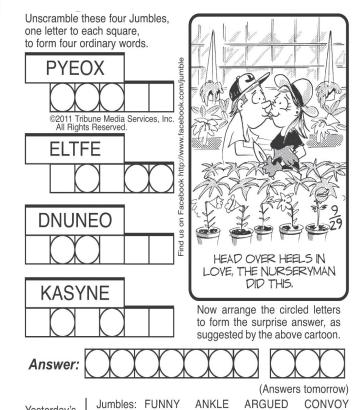
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MEN'S SOCCER National footprint



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Irish senior defender Aaron Maund looks for an open teammate during Notre Dame's 2-1 overtime win over Michigan on Sept. 16. Maund is one of two Irish players from Massachusetts.

By MATTHEW DeFRANKS Sports Writer

Plato once said, "You can learn more about a person in an hour of play than you can in a lifetime conversation." Looks like Plato and Irish coach Bobby Clark have more in common than you may think.

Unlike Plato, however, Clark applies this principle to recruiting.

ing. "I'm a big believer in watching someone play a sport," Clark said. "You can watch the emotions, see how he is. You can pick up on his intensity. You can pick up on his determination. You can pick up on his discipline. You can see how he handles success and adversity. You can see it in his eyes."

Clark has recruited successfully in guiding the No. 11 Irish (5-1-2) to a fast start, including a 1-0 win over then-No. 3 Louisville. In the upset win, junior forward Danny O'Leary scored off senior midfielder Adam Mena's assist while senior Will Walsh anchored the goal and junior Grant Van De Casteele and seniors Greg Klazura, Aaron Maund and Michael Knapp contributed on defense.

Those seven key players for the Irish hail from five different states, a mark of Notre Dame's national recruiting stamp. Clark attributes the national base to his myriad of contacts.

"When I was I Dartmouth, I made contacts on the East coast," he said. "When I was at Stanford, I made contacts on the West coast. Now I am here in the Midwest. Dartmouth, Stanford and Notre Dame are all similar

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF Holts enjoy sharing profession, marriage

By JACK HEFFERON Sports Writer

Being married to your job can be stressful, depressing and ultimately damaging. But being married to someone who has the same job? That can be helpful, comforting and, for Irish coach Susan Holt, a whole lot of fun.

Holt is entering her 22nd year as a women's golf coach, and her sixth year coaching at Notre Dame. For the past three years she has been joined by her husband Tim Holt, who is currently the men's and women's golf coach just across the street at Holy Cross College.

The story of how the two came together to coach at neighboring schools, though, begins well before their time in South Bend.

Susan played golf in college at Ohio State, and landed her first coaching position in 1990, just two years out of school.

"I was head coach at Purdue from 1990-1993, and Tim was a club pro at a town near Lafayette," Susan said. "We met through a mutual friend, and we ended up getting married in 1993."

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SMC GOLF Belles try to catch conference rivals

By JOE WIRTH

Sports Writer

With the regular season winding down, the Belles will attempt to gain ground on MIAA leaders Hope and Olivet when they play conference foe Albion at the Medalist Golf Club in Marshall, Mich. on Thursday.

Senior Christine Brown said the team is familiar with the course and has high expectations for the match.

"Most of the team has played the Medalist previ-

ously because it is the home course of two MIAA teams," she said. "We have always played well at the course and playing there is a great opportunity for us to do well."

The contest provides Saint Mary's an important opportunity to move up in the MIAA standings, where it is currently ranked third.

"We are currently behind Hope and Olivet in the MIAA," Brown said. "In this match, we hope to gain

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SMC Soccer

Saint Mary's loses conference match, drops to 6-3

By VICKY JACOBSEN Sports Writer

The Belles were just moments from forcing overtime against a tough Calvin squad when a redirected shot dribbled into the goal, handing Saint Mary's a demoralizing 2-1 defeat. "The second goal came with 11 seconds left, so it was a bit of a heartbreaker,' Belles assistant coach Randy Rompola said. "The ball just kind of slotted through after a throw-in and was able to find the back of the net." The last-minute goal was the second of the game for Calvin junior midfielder Francesca Smith, who also scored two goals Saturday when the Knights (4-5, 4-1 MIAA) shut out Olivet. Her first goal came in the 49th minute on a redirection from outside the six-yard box. Sophomores Paige Rindels and Laura Van Engen each earned an assist on the play. The win put the Knights in a tig for second place in the

a tie for second place in the MIAA standings.

Saint Mary's (6-3, 2-3) tied up the match less than five minutes later when Belles sophomore defender Kerry Puckett gained possession of the ball and sent it up field to senior defender Michelle Marshall, who sent the pass sailing into the net.

"We were able to get a number of players forward and put a lot of pressure on them," Rompola said. "Then we were able to drop the ball back and finish it."

Although Marshall's goal tied the game, coaches said it was freshman goalkeeper Chanler Rosenbaum who gained their attention. Rosenbaum made seven saves in the first half and four in

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COURTNEY ECKERLE/The Observer

Saint Mary's senior defender Keely Noonan delivers a cross during the Belles' 3-0 win over Olivet
 on Sept. 14.