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Malloy speaks out on Ramadan

Government has not provided reasons for revoked visa

By CLAIRE HEININGER News Editor

A week after the Notre Dame community learned that a revoked visa would prohibit Tariq Ramadan from teaching here this fall, University President Father Edward

Malloy expressed growing "And it says in the regulations frustration as he, Ramadan that if somebody's denied a and Notre

Da m e remain in the dark about specific charges against the scholar. "The effort

that we've b e e n involved in

ever since has been to find out tion, Malloy said. Neither the why," Malloy said Monday.

Malloy

visa, they

have a right to know who denied it and the what grounds were." Ramadan

has not received an answer to

either ques-Department of Homeland

Ramadan

Security, which requested that the Islamic scholar be barred, nor the State Department, which formally rescinded his visa, has provided a rationale or identified the agency that made the final decision.

'lt isn't that we haven't talked to different parts of the government - nobody is willing to step forward and say 'I was the one,' or 'Our agency was the one' responsible," Malloy said. "I honestly don't

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Students

By AMANDA MICHAELS Associate News Editor

The South Bend Police Department used Tasers to subdue two students during arrests made Friday evening and Saturday morning at the annual Rally in the Alley party located in the Turtle Creek Apartments.

Capt. John Williams, public information officer for the South Bend Police Department, said that according to police reports a Notre Dame student and a Holy Cross student were taken into custody in two separate incidents on counts of disorderly conduct and resisting law enforcement. Williams declined to release the full text of the two police reports.

Williams said Officer Jennifer Radican, an off-duty South Bend patrolwoman serving as Turtle Creek's security officer, and Capt. James Andrews approached the Notre Dame student about the volume level of the music coming from his apartment.

The student became argumentative when he was called outside by police to the sidewalk to receive a citation and resisted Radican's attempts to handcuff him Williams said. Police said Radican reported that she used the Taser to subdue the student and arrested him at

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Shirt sales off to strong start

Students fight fires, help the community

Clay Fire program combines work and service





At left, ND alumnus and Clay firefighter Cole Huth practices his skills. Above, ND alumnus Chris Martin stands in front of the Clay *Fire Department.*

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By ADRIENNE RUFFNER News Writer

Imagine the rush of interhall football combined with the compassion of a service project. On the surface it may seem like an oxymoron, but to Notre Dame students who participate in the Clay Fire Territory Student Firefighter Program, the two make a perfect mix.

Sponsored by the Clay Fire Territory, the program trains students to become volunteer firefighters in South Bend. After completing an application and interview, interested students participate in a yearlong training process. They meet every Wednesday and one Saturday a month to learn about first aid, equipment use, fire prevention and customer service

became more and

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By JEANNINE PRIVAT News Writer

Despite some students' concerns about the design of this vear's The Shirt, organizers said they are pleased with current sales.

At present, 29,300 of the annual fundraising T-shirt have been sold, said The Shirt president Katie Crossin.

'Sales are going very well," she said.

Because sales totals are generally not compiled by this time, Crossin could not say whether this year's figures were typical.

The 2004 version of The Shirt, unveiled last April, sports a vintage design harking back to designs from the

1990s. Fifteen years ago, The Shirt was created to build unity among students, and Crossin wanted to revisit that theme this year.

"We wanted the design to appeal to the students above anyone else," Crossin said.

This year's design differs from the more modern designs of past years.

"I guess it's supposed to be vintage, if by vintage they mean Abercrombie & Fitch circa 1992," senior Chris Hale said

This year's T-shirt is kelly green, although the shade is slightly different from the past two years.

Some students, like sophomore Alyssa Close, said they preferred last year's color. The kelly green color has

been used for the past two years, as the University attempted to create a "Sea of Green" in Notre Dame Stadium.

In fact, the new color of The Shirt is not new at all and distinguishes it from previous designs. The green color closely resembles the original color used for The Shirt.

"We wanted a different color green, to differentiate from the previous [two] years," Crossin said.

A main focus in designer Brittany Becker's original theme was the cheer, "We are ND.'

That slogan remained a key component throughout the design process and now deco-

Shoppers in the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore check out this year's version of The Shirt Monday.



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INSIDE COLUMN Just popularity?

As the elections of November draw nearer, we college students of Notre Dame have to make a very important decision and choose between two men. This choice will affect us, our

families, our country, and our world. A decision that carries so much weight is not one to be trivially decided. Therefore it is

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not surprising that students all over campus are doing whatever they can to prepare themselves to make an educated decision for the best candidate in the upcoming election. From reading books and columns on issues to watching Michael Moore movies, as students at Notre Dame there is a lot we can and probably will do to prepare ourselves for the election of 2004, but what about the rest of the country?

The "Rock the Vote" program is known across the country for encouraging their target audience of young adults to vote for anyone or anything thing, but just get out there and vote. This is terrific. Informed or not, the decisions being made by our government affect every person and all should have say in who is making those decisions. Therefore, if the general public should be voting based on the candidate that would improve their personal life, should "stars" and Hollywood in general be so vocal about their opinions regarding the election?

The "Vote for Change Tour", including Dave Matthews Band, The Dixie Chicks, James Taylor, Bruce Springsteen, Pearl Jam and R.E.M. (just to name a few), began this month and consists of a series of concerts in support of John Kerry. Sarah Jessica Parker is wearing a necklace that reads "Kerry." Natalie Portman shows her support for Kerry in her t-shirt logo. The Bush supporters do not seem to be so well known, the only "pop-star-status" supporter that I've heard about is Jessica Simpson and, well that is it.

While these stars are entitled to their opinion, as any person in any profession would be, whether they are an accountant or a famous musician, is it right for them to publicly campaign their personal beliefs to very influential crowds of people? People emulate the stars in their hair styles and clothing choices — but in opinions regarding the future leader of our country? Voting is important for everyone to do, but does a candidate with more 'popular" friends really deserve a better shot at the votes from the millions of Dave Matthews Band fans, just because Dave Matthews Band likes him better? I don't think so. I have not decided who I will vote for in the upcoming election, as I am sure many of you have not either, but whomever you choose, make it your choice - and do keep listening to Dave Matthews Band.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: What do you think of The Shirt?



Bridget Meacham Mike Gigante McGlinn

"It looks like Joe Montana is wearing a

junior

diaper."



Standford junior

"It's really green!"



Tom Ruskewisz Knott junior

"It looks like one of those cheap ND knock-off shirts from K-Mart."



Anson Fraser Keough freshman

"I like the shirt. It's nice and colorful. It gets the job done."



freshman

"I don't know.

being a first-

year student. I

really didn't

like it when I

saw it. I liked

last year's

better.

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North Dining Hall manager

"I think they're attractive. It's good to see them on the students. It shows a loyalty to Notre Dame.



Attend the lecture Misunderstanding, **Incompetence, and Deception:** An American History" today from 4 to 5 p.m. in 319 Debartolo Hall. The talk will be given by Stanford University professor Richard White and is part of the Dilenschneider Lecture Series in History.

The Office of Human Resources will offer free blood pressure and body fat screenings to Notre Dame faculty and staff Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the second floor of the Security Building.

Come see Michael Moore's much-talked about documentary "Fahreinheit 9/11." It's being shown Friday at 7 and 10 p.m. in the Browning Cinema atthe DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

Check out the No. 2 ranked Irish women's soccer team as they take on Stanford University Friday from 5 to 9:30 p.m. in the Adidas Classic.

Listen to a panel discussion on "Economic, Operational and Ethical Implications of Outsourcing/Offshoring," which takes place Wednesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Jordan Auditorium. The panel is part of the O'Hara Lecture Series in Business Ethics.

Come check out the European Studies program at an open house to be held Thursday from 4 to 6 p.m. in 211 Bronson Hall.



Notre Dame students study while enjoying the late summer sunshine --- that has finally arrived — under the arches near Fitzpatrick Hall and the Snite Museum of Art Monday afternoon.

OFFBEAT

Alleged bank robber seeks directions

BOSTON Paul Michael Callahan was a bank robber in search of a bank, according to police. First thing Monday morning, he allegedly tried to rob a copy shop at Boston University thinking it was a bank.

Boston police said he walked into the shop and

Fleet branch — but came away with less than \$200. On Monday afternoon, Callahan allegedly held up a Citizen's Bank, making off with \$2,500. But a bright red dye pack exploded as he fled in his truck, which got a flat tire not far away.

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More Than 80 Birds

Child Protective Services reported that the man's 11-year-old son was taken out of the home and placed with a relative. A building inspector ordered the home closed to human occupancy until it is cleaned.

The stench inside the home was so foul that the first police officer to arrive reported he couldn't stomach it long enough to fully search the house.

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passed a note to a store employee asking for money. When he was told the shop wasn't a bank. Callahan asked for directions to the nearest Fleet bank branch, police said. About 40 minutes later,

Found at Ind. Home

EVANSVILLE, Ind. Animal control officers found more than 80 birds inside a home filled with bird droppings and have ordered the owner to find new homes for them.

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COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

Students plan, prepare for year's activities

"We want to do

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Dave McGowan

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By CAITY SCHNEEMAN News Writer

The Council of Representatives held their kick-off meeting last night as all 12 members met to dis-

cuss their respective organizations' agendas for the year.

Off-campus representative D a v e M c G o w a n described his plan to more closely connect off-campus Notre Dame students with the oncampus com-

munity. Details included a possible Web site, which would be constantly updated with Notre Dame activities and community service opportunities.

"We want to do some good things for people off campus so they don't feel like the forgotten step child," said McGowan.

Liz Cain, co-chair of the Hall Presidents Council, expressed her organization's concern that competition between residence halls is too high. Cain said HPC would

encourage cooperation between hall presidents.

Student body president Adam Istvan said he was recently contacted by Rock the Vote, an organization aims to bring youth into the political process and register as many voters

> as possible. Istvan said he will work with Rock the Vote to set up a Notre Dame Rock the Vote Web site.

In other COR news:

◆Chief Executive Assistant Dave Baron described his analysis of the new student

government constitution and showed the group a flow chart of student-run organizations. "COR is the centerpiece of the new constitution," said Baron.

◆ Also mentioned was the possible consolidation of clubs around campus. JR Garcia, Club Coordination Council Representative, discussed the possible consolidation of some of the over 200 campus clubs.

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BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

Group discusses history, new year

By KELLY MEEHAN News Writer

Members of the Saint Mary's Board of Governance held their first meeting of the year Monday.

Student body president Sarah Catherine White welcomed Saint Mary's new president Carol Mooney and talked about the history and background of the College.

"These pictures remind us that we will lead this history together," White said. "We must show respect, and keep in mind that others have led us to guide here, for they see our ambition. We are called to lead with our talents."

White later discussed the first draft of the new BOG constitution. She asked board members to edit their contributions and be prepared to vote on the changes in the next few weeks.

Treasurer Molly Welton said the excess money the board had expected would not be available since the enrollment decrease resulted in a budget cut.

Susan McIlduff, chief of staff, also said freshmen elections would begin in the next few weeks.

"Hopefully we can spread the word and get some really great freshmen involved with BOG," McIlduff said.



Ashley Thornburg, left, Molly Welton and student body president Sarah Catherine White attend Monday's BOG meeting.

In other BOG news:

◆ The game "Singled Out," based on the MTV show will be played at Dalloway's Wednesday. The event is sponsored by the Student Activities Board.

◆ BOG members also discussed plans for the Twilight Tailgate and Blessed Union of Souls concert to be held Sept. 9.

• Sophomore class president, Claudia Toth, said fundraising sales of the "I Love SMC" shirts went well, and that the sophomore board is planning a Sophomore Sisters mentor

program.

"It is a great way to pair up a freshman with a sophomore, who they can ask questions to," Toth said. "We sent out an e-mail to both classes, and so far we have had a great response."

◆ The Senior Class Kick-off will be held Wednesday at Opus Hall and will include food and music. The senior class has also planned Senior Dad's weekend for Nov. 5-7.

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approximately 11:10 p.m. Friday. The second incident involved the arrest of the Holy Cross student around 4 a.m. Saturday. A group of three males, including the arrested Holy Cross student, vandalized the back door of an apartment located in Turtle Creek and fled when the police arrived

Williams said. He added that the officer in pursuit was able to apprehend and identify only the arrested Holy Cross student, who was tasered after fleeing to a vacant property near Turtle Creek.

"Officers use the Taser whenever it is necessary, and only when it is necessary," said Williams.

He explained that 99 percent of the uniformed South Bend police force carries a Taser, and added that officers undergo a four-hour training session.

Williams said he was unaware of any other citations that were issued at the Turtle Creek Apartments or in relation to Rally in the Alley.

Turtle Creek property manager Tammy Michelbrink said she received no complaints about the annual event from residents.

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know who was responsible. It's hard to say. I'll gladly admit there could have been good reasons for it, but we don't know what those reasons are and so we're doing the best we can in the face of the unknown."

The unknown, as Malloy sees it, remains extensive. Not only did the decision drop "out of the blue" in July, he said, but speculation from both sides has overshadowed the facts in the weeks since.

"Those are all legitimate expressions of opinion," he said, referring to the steady stream of Ramadan's supporters and enemies who have come forward since the scholar's situation became public Aug. 25. "But it's not clear who has the facts."

And while Malloy made clear that "the last thing we want to do is favor somebody who would be a threat to the well-being of the country," he said proof of such accusations had yet to emerge. Until Ramadan is allowed to hear and address these allegations, Malloy said, his rights have effectively been suspended.

"Until he has the chance to do that, then it seems to me the law's not being fulfilled," Malloy said. "That seems to be our dilemma right now."

Adding to the dilemma of Ramadan's defense, Malloy said, is the difficulty of dealing with potentially classified information. Since the visa was revoked under national security-related sections of the Immigration and Nationality Act, restricted information could play a role in the agencies' decision-making process — a complication with which Malloy expressed frustration.

"Somebody can always say, 'Well I know something you don't know. If you only knew what I knew,'" he said. "What are you going to say? There's nothing to say."

When dealing with such a highprofile case, the University and the Kroc Institute must also perform a delicate balancing act, Malloy said.

"We're just trying to be respectful of the prerogatives of the government but also supportive of the professor," he said. "All you can do if you're in his situation — or as people trying to assist a faculty member — is be frustrated."

Ramadan may simply be caught in a bureaucratic web, Malloy said, along with others who have lost their visas and are in a similar situation. But the University president expressed hope that the case would be resolved in the near future, both for the benefit of the Ramadan family, who remains at home in Switzerland, and for the University community that stands to benefit from his presence.

"This is somebody we've hired, we thought was a good hire, we had good reason for it." Malloy said, while praising the professor as "a legitimate conversation partner" in the dialogue between religious ideologies.

"I think it's an appropriate role for us to play," he said. "I hope we can be a part of that conversation. I hope it'll happen, we'll get government approval ... but right now, it's stalled."

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Volunteer

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more excited about the volunteer job as I learned about the ins and outs of being a firefighter," junior Bertram Koelsch said. "The program lets one become involved with the real world, which is a much needed step from the ND bubble."

After the first year, the program requires firefighters to train two nights per month in addition to 24 hours a month spent in the station. At this point, the students don their uniforms and respond to calls ranging from medical emergencies to car accidents and fullfledged fires.

For a select number of juniors and seniors who are considering a career in firefighting, the Clay Fire station provides a place for them to live free of charge in exchange for working 10 12-hour shifts per month. The program has had a significant impact on its members.

According to Captain Brian Kazmierzak, who is the training officer and manager in the program, "we have had many students in the past go through this program and end up pursuing careers in fire and emergency medicine."

Kazmierzak said the program encourages both students with previous firefighting experience and those who are new to the field and want to learn more.

Koelsch was one of the students who had no previous experience and said he first learned of the program last year at Activities Night.

"I decided to apply, never having previously given any thought to being a firefighter," he said.

Of all the program's aspects, Koelsch said he best enjoys serving the community while learning job skills and appreciates the camaraderie around the station.

"I really enjoy working together with everyone at the department and am always amazed how much there is to learn and how much I can learn," he said.

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Actually a protty nice little Wednesday, we're going to ye to North Quad. Yeah, get some popcorn, maybe win some prizes, stuff like that. Maybe Lafortune, i den't knew, i don't knew if we'il have enough time.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

NATO troops detain suspect KABUL, Afghanistan — Investigators prob-ing a deadly car bombing in the Afghan capital questioned a man detained at Kabul airport with traces of explosives on his hands, officials said Monday, while U.S. authorities warned all Americans in the capital to be inconspicuous.

Taliban rebels claimed responsibility for Sunday's blast at a U.S. security firm, but officials said they are not ruling out any suspects, including al-Qaida.

Hospital officials said 10 people were killed, including three Americans. The com-pany confirmed that three of its American employees had been killed.

NATO troops grew suspicious of a man on the grounds of Kabul airport on Sunday, spokesman Lt. Cdr. Ken Mackillop said.

After finding explosives on his hands, NATO turned the man over to Afghan authorities on Monday. The man was not identified.

Journalist held hostage in Iraq

PARIS — A French journalist being held hostage along with a colleague in Iraq called on French President Jacques Chirac to give in to militants' demand to rescind a headscarf ban to save their lives, according to a video shown late Monday on the Al-Jazeera television station.

The video was broadcast hours after France insisted it would go ahead with the ban on Muslim head scarves in schools, standing firm against scrapping the law just hours before a deadline set by the captors.

"I appeal to the French people to go to the streets ... because our lives are threatened," journalist Georges Malbrunot said in English on the video.

NATIONAL NEWS

Ex-Marine testifies on prison abuse CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. — A Marine accused of kicking a handcuffed Iraqi prisoner who later died said he beat prisoners "to establish who's in charge" and that he treated federal inmates at his civilian job the same way, a witness testified Monday.

John Hennagin, a retired Marine, said he confronted Sgt. Gary Pittman about putting his knee in the stomachs of two Iraqi prisoners at Camp Whitehorse, a makeshift lockup outside Nasiriyah.

"'You have to establish who's in charge," Hennagin said, quoting Pittman. Pittman also said prisoners were treated the same way at a federal prison in New York, Hennagin testified.

Pittman's court-martial is believed to be the first stemming from the death of a U.S. military prisoner in Iraq. He faces up to two years in military prison if he is convicted of assault and dereliction of duty.

Pittman, 40, is accused of karate-kicking Nagem Hatab, who was later found dead. Hennagin, who was a translator at the compound, testified he did not see Pittman kick Hatab.

GOP assails Kerry on first day

Republicans open convention with attacks; praise Bush's leadership

Associated Press

NEW YORK Republicans belittled Democratic Sen. John Kerry as a shift-in-thewind campaigner unworthy of the White House on Monday at the opening of their national convention, lavishing praise on President Bush as a steady, decisive leader in an age of terrorism.

"In this great struggle, we need a commander in chief who is a beacon, not a weather vane," said Rep. Heather Wilson of New Mexico in remarks prepared for delivery to delegates gathered four miles from the site where terrorists struck on Sept. 11, 2001. "We have one in George W. Bush.'

"Kerry is weak on war and wrong on taxes," added House Speaker Dennis Hastert of Illinois.

Bush campaigned in New Hampshire as the GOP opened its four-day gathering, and triggered an instant campaign stir when he told an interviewer he doubted victory is possible in the war on terror.

"I don't think you can win it. But I think you can create the conditions that those who use terror as a tool are less acceptable in parts of the world," he told NBC. Kerry said the strug-gle was "absolutely" winnable and Democratic vice presidential candidate John Edwards said Bush's remark amounted to a concession of defeat in the war that terrorists launched in 2001. White House spokesman Scott McClellan hastened to clarify the president's remarks.

Bush's high command scripted an opening night convention program that included a remembrance of the victims of the Sept. 11 attacks as well as a tribute to the men and women serving in the armed forces. Sen. John McCain of Arizona and former New York Mayor Rudy

Giuliani drew prime-time speaking assignments. Both men command political appeal outside the president's conservative base and are strong supporters of Bush's stewardship in the war on terror.

Not all the speakers mentioned Kerry by name, but the criticism was unmistakable.

"This fight against terrorism takes decisiveness, not contradiction," said Bernard Kerik, a former New York police commissioner who worked for the Bush administration helping to rebuild the Iraqi police force.

"Most importantly, it takes courage and inspirational leadership in the White House. There are two candidates in this race, but only one fills those needs," Kerik added. Hastert broadened the criticism beyond the war to encompass domestic

Barbara Deuschle, of Hot Springs, Ark., left, and Mary Anne Kusaka, of Hawaii,

make "W" gestures during the first day of the Republican National Convention.

issues. "He is on the wrong side of taxation, of litigation and of regulation," he said in prepared remarks. Refer-ring to the Democratic National Convention as a "Boston Tax Party," the House GOP leader said that instead of "throwing tea in the Boston Harbor, John Kerry wants to throw the taxpayers overboard."

The delegates met twice during the day at Madison Square Garden, four miles

from the scarred landscape where the World Trade Center twin towers once stood. Officials mustered a security force of thousands in the area around the hall, part of an effort to thwart any attempt at a repeat attack. A helicopter circled the skies over the arena, while police barricades made an 18-square-block surrounding the Garden off-limits to most vehicles.

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Inside the hall, Vice President Dick Cheney and his wife Lynne were ushered to their seats in late morning, in time to hear his name placed in nomination for another term. "Four more years" the delegates shouted in unison.



Air marshals hired despite offenses

WASHINGTON - The government hired air marshals who had been involved in cases of misconduct and doesn't hold them to a high enough disciplinary standard, the Homeland Security Department's inspector general says.

"Many federal air marshals were granted access to classified information after displaying questionable judgment, irresponsibility and emotionally unstable behavior," Inspector General Clark Kent Ervin said in a report released Monday.

Asa Hutchinson, the department's undersecretary, disagreed with the report's conclusions.

In a written response, Hutchinson said new standards and guidelines have been set for determining whether applicants are suitable to be air marshals, whose job is primarily guarding planes while they are in flight.

Thousands of air marshals were rushed into service after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. The exact number is classified and the marshals travel undercover, but pilots say they guard only a small percentage of daily flights.

IRAQ

Rebel cleric calls for end to fighting

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Rebel cleric Muqtada al-Sadr wants his followers to end their uprising against U.S. and Iraqi forces while he considers forming a political movement, senior al-Sadr officials said Monday.

Al-Sadr has backed off other commitments in the past, but a truce would be a major victory for interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi by removing a serious insurgency and potentially bringing many of the Shiite cleric's followers into the

effort to build a peaceful democracy. The announcement came amid conflicting reports on Iraq's vital oil exports. Iraqi oil officials and the governor of Basra state said exports were shut down after a rash of pipeline attacks. However, world oil prices decreased as traders said other reports suggested some oil was still flowing. At the New York Mercantile Exchange, October contracts for light sweet crude fell 90 cents a barrel to \$42.28 - well below peaks above \$48 a barrel in mid-August.

Also Monday, the U.S. military said

a roadside bomb attack on a U.S. military convoy just outside Mosul, 225 miles northwest of Baghdad, killed a U.S. soldier and wounded two. A total of 974 U.S. service members have died Since military operations began in March 2003, according to the U.S. Defense Department.

Sheik Ali Smeisim, a political adviser to al-Sadr, announced the cease-fire decision in Najaf, calling on the cleric's Mahdi Army militiamen to "stop firing until the announcement of the political program adopted by the Sadrist movement.'

SUDAN

Country asks for UN reprise

Associated Press

AL-FASHER — As a U.N. deadline expires for Sudan to ease the crisis in Darfur, the situation on the ground remains bleak: Villagers forced from their homes by gunmen on horseback still cower in camps for the displaced, and reports the Sudanese military is bombing villagers continue to surface.

The Sudanese government, which was given 30 days by the United Nations to rein in Arab militiamen or face penalties, appealed Monday to the Security Council to make a "reasonable decision."

"Of course, we are concerned," Foreign Minister Mustafa Osman Ismail told Associated Press Television in Khartoum, the capital. "We wish ... the relationship with the Security Council will not be the way of confrontation. We hope it will be in the form of cooperation."

Ilis remarks came as a U.S. State Department official assessed conditions for thousands of displaced people in Darfur, and a contingent of 155 Nigerian soldiers arrived, swelling the ranks of an African Union mission monitoring a shaky cease-fire between government troops and rebels.

Three U.N. teams report Tuesday to U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan on whether the government is doing all it can to disarm the Arab militia.

Known as Janjaweed, the militiamen are blamed for killing and raping black African villagers and for driving more than 1 million people from their homes, sparking what the United Nations has called the world's worst humanitarian crisis.

The Security Council will meet Thursday and consider whether to take action against Khartoum. The United States has advocated sanctions against the government.

"We hope the Security Council will come out with a reasonable decision that will help us to continue working together," Ismail said.

Constance Berry Newman, U.S. assistant secretary of state for African affairs, touched down at Al-Fasher airport in a U.N. World Food Program twin-engine plane. She was briefed by aid agencies and U.N. officials before touring Abu Shouk camp, home to some 43,000 villagers driven from their homes in 18 months of fighting between government troops and rebels. Ismail refused to meet with Newman in Khartoum, and the official Sudanese news agency quoted him as saying it was in protest of the State Department's failure to help Sudan keep its embassy open in Washington. Sudan announced Wednesday the embassy had closed because it was unable to find a bank that would handle its financial matters. Children clamored around Newman as she visited a classroom in the camp, where students sat in the shade on mats to learn about basic sanitation and the importance of clean drinking water. She later watched as aid workers inoculated babies against measles.

Newman declined to speak with journalists during the visit.

At Abu Shouk camp, on the outskirts of Al-Fasher, residents have begun to build mud walls around their straw and tarpaulin shelters, and simple fences from scrub and thorn tree branches, replicating conditions in their villages.

Some have planted vegetables and corn outside their huts, and a small market thrives on the edge of the desert settlement.

At Zam Zam camp, 12 miles away, local butchers sell freshly slaughtered goats. Some displaced still have enough cash from last year's harvest of crops, such as tobacco and sorghum, to buy better food than the wheat, oil and salt rations provided monthly by the aid agencies.

Some have their own donkeys and some children wear clean clothes and ride bicycles. The less fortunate wear tattered and dirty smocks.

Although conditions in the camp are often no worse than in their own villages, many of the displaced are eager to return home. Unable to plant crops, they know they will rely on food aid until the fall harvest next year. "The land in Darfur is sacred," said Abu Shouk camp manager Abdel Aziz el-Fateh. "People love their land and worship their land, and consider this camp a grave."

Many say they are afraid to return home, fearing further attacks.

"We are happy and living here securely but we still need more _ and we need them to give us more peace," said Kalthoum Mohammed Haroun.

More than 30,000 people have been killed since two rebel factions took up arms against the government in February 2003 _ escalating years of low-level conflict between African farmers and Arab herders who competed for water and land. The rebels, drawn from African tribes, rose up against the Arab-dominated government, claiming discrimination and political marginalization.

Human rights groups, the U.S. Congress and U.N. officials accuse the government of trying to crush the rebellion by backing the Janjaweed _ allegations Khartoum has repeatedly denied.

Dennis McNamara, a senior official in the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Assistance, told reporters Monday in Nairobi, Kenya, that attacks on civilians have continued.

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rates the front of The Shirt. "I like the front a lot," soph-

omore Britta Zoeller said. "I really like the 'We are ND,'" According to Crossin, stu-

dent unity is the focus of this year's fundraising campaign.

"The vintage design has increased student support of

The Shirt," she said.

This year's Adworks posters will feature the phrase "Onward to Victory," which is also incorporated in this year's design.

Proceeds from the sale of The Shirt are divided between student activities and The Shirt Charity Fund.

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CHINA

Nation's wealth opens market in pet products

Associated Press

SHANGHAI — For the schnauzer that has everything, how about a sequin-studded raincoat? Would your Pekinese like some "chicken chip cookies?" Or earrings for your poodle?

China loves its dogs, and with incomes rising, owners are spending up to \$1,900 to buy breeds such as Pomeranians and pampering them with gourmet food, designer clothes and premium toys.

"They even have backpacks, like baby ones, so you can carry the dog around!" said Li Shuifang, proud owner of a Pomeranian. "I thought about getting one, but I figured my husband would say I was silly." The world's major pet product suppliers are targeting China, betting on pet enthusiasm to drive big sales.

"China is very much an emerging market," said Mike Cusack, a director at Rudducks, an Australian maker of specialized pet shampoos, vitamins and other products.

Cusack, who was in Shanghai for a pet goods exhibition, happily pointed out products he thinks might be big hits in China: doggy breath freshener, sun screen and cat laxatives.

Dogs and other pets are especially popular with older Chinese empty-nesters in a society where life revolves around family but strict birth-control rules limit most couples to just one child.

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IN BRIEF

Bryant's marketing power in trouble

LOS ANGELES — With a new \$136 million NBA contract, Kobe Bryant will be making jump shots for years to come — provided, of course, he stays out of prison. Whether he will ever hoist a can of Sprite in front of a camera

again is another question altogether. "If it's like O.J., he'll never have another endorsement contract again," said Bob Williams of Burns Sports and Celebrities Inc., a sports marketing agency.

The Los Angeles Lakers star is accused of raping a 19-year-old woman last year in Colorado. Bryant, 26, has claimed the sex was consensual. Jury selection in the trial began Friday.

If convicted, he could face years in prison. If he is exonerated or resolves the case without a trial, Bryant still must deal with a lawsuit by his accuser.

The case of former Hertz spokesman O.J. Simpson could be instructive. Though Simpson was acquitted of killing his wife and a friend of hers, he was widely believed to have gotten away with murder, and he never regained his

Leadership suffers at Google

Internet search engine's corporate governance is named shareholder unfriendly

Associated Press

NEW YORK — All the hype over Google Inc.'s initial public offering allowed one important tidbit about the company to get lost in the shuffle: Its corporate governance is anything but shareholder friendly.

Google may tout itself as being a company for the people, but such things as its two-tiered stock system and its board of directors largely packed with insiders tell a much different story.

So much for its corpo-rate motto "Don't be evil." Its corporate ways may be a different story. Investors, however,

don't seem to be focusing on its governance shortcomings _ at least for now. Since the Internet search engine's muchawaited debut on the public markets on Aug. 19, the stock has mostly traded above \$100, a gain of more than 17 percent from its IPO price.

But ignoring this issue could be a mistake.

When evaluating a company, its fundamentals and valuations should be primary, but there is no question that they should also look at risk through a corporate governance prism, too,' said Scott Kessler, an Internet equity analyst at Standard & Poor's.

That's just the way things have to go in the wake of all the recent business scandals. Companies are now under intense pressure

on this issue, Google's decisions seem all the

Shareholder Services. which advises

gives the online search firm a minuscule 0.2 percent score on its corporate governance quotient. By its analysis, if Google was part of the Standard & Poor's 500 stock index, its governance practices would rank last.

Among the most troublesome areas: Its estabfounders, executives, directors and employees represent about 83 perand carry 10 votes each

the super-voting shares are held by Google's two founders, Larry Page and Sergey Brin, and its chief executive Eric Schmidt, they have significant influence over all matters requiring sharehold-That er approval. includes the election of potential directors, mergers and asset sales.

Larry Page and Sergey Brin, two of Google's founders "have significant influ-

ence over all matters requiring shareholder approval."

lishment of a dual-class Also problematic is the to shore up their goverindependence of the board. Only three of Google's six outside capital structure with nance practices to ensure unequal voting rights. Shares held by its that their business dealings aren't tainted by directors have no link to conflicts of interest. the company, which is smaller than the two-With so much attention cent of the voting power, thirds that ISS likes to see. In addition, the more surprising. nominating committee, Institutional vs. the one vote per share given to common which chooses new directors, includes L. John big stockholders. investors on governance, And since a majority of Doerr, a venture capital- from its earnings

ist who was an early Google backer. ISS is critical of his role because of his business relationship with the company, though he is considered independent under the listing rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market.

Google also allows for the repricing of its stock options. So if its stock price were to tumble, those inside the company _ especially top management _ could still get rewarded, while common shareholders are stuck with diminished returns.

And Google, following in the path of many Silicon Valley technology companies, won't deduct the cost of stock options



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marketing power.

Income report sends stocks lower

NEW YORK — Stocks drifted lower in extremely light trading Monday as a disappointing consumer income report prompted investors to collect profits after two weeks of gains.

While investors were cheered by the Commerce Department's report of a strong rise in consumer spending for July, growth in incomes was nearly flat.

Combined with oil prices that are still unusually high, the data called into question whether the uptick in stocks of the last few weeks was sustainable.

"There's not a lot of resistance here, and you're seeing a little bit of profit taking," said Todd Leone, managing director of equity trading at SG Cowen Securities. "There really isn't any news, and everybody seems to be on vacation."

Trading volume was on pace for a new yearto-date low as many on Wall Street refused to make large moves until the Republican National Convention concluded without incident. Many investors also awaited a key employment report due Friday.

Former Atlanta mayor indicted

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Former Atlanta Mayor Bill Campbell was indicted on racketeering, bribery and wire fraud charges following a five-year federal investigation into corruption during his years at City Hall, officials said Monday.

Campbell, who was mayor from 1994 to 2002, is accused of accepting tens of thousands of dollars in illegal campaign contributions, cash, travel and home improvements in exchange for city contracts.

indictment, unsealed The Monday, accuses Campbell of "a pattern and practice of misconduct

and illegal acts" that included seeking money from people doing business with the city to line his own pockets, in part to support his gambling habit, including repeated trips to casinos.

Campbell, who has called the federal probe a witch hunt, stood with his hands clasped in front of him as authorities listed the charges against him at a news conference.

They're lies from beginning to end," he told reporters afterward, visibly angry. "The only thing that's correct in this indictment is the spelling of my name."

Ten people who worked for Campbell have been convicted of corruption. Some were members of Campbell's staff, including top aides; others had business contracts with the city during his tenure.

The indictment was handed down by a grand jury Aug. 18, but was immediately sealed. Campbell's mother died the next day, and authorities said they delayed announcing the indictment out of respect for the family.

The indictment describes a cozy relationship between Campbell, 51, and several contractors who paid for gambling excursions, two air conditioning units at his home and airfare to Paris, New Orleans and Memphis, Tenn., among other places.

FBI continues inquiry into Pentagon analyst

We think there is

nothing to it"

Nathan Lewin

AIPAC attorney

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Two highranking Defense Department officials have been briefed by FBI agents investigating a Pentagon analyst suspected of passing U.S. secrets about Iran to the Israeli government, officials said Monday.

The recent briefings of Deputy Defense

Secretary Paul Wolfowitz and Douglas Feith, the undersecretary for policy, could indicate that the yearlong FBI probe is nearing a conclusion. No arrests have been made or charges announced.

Investigators

were forced to accelerate activity in the case when news stories about it began appearing on Friday, according to two law enforcement officials speaking on condition of anonymity because the probe is ongoing. The publicity also may have hampered the ability of investigators to follow key leads and provided warning to potential targets, they said.

The central figure in the investigation is Larry Franklin, a Middle East analyst who works in Feith's office. Franklin was described by law enforcement officials as cooperating with the FBI. He has not responded to telephone messages seeking comment.

Investigators are trying to determine whether Franklin passed highly classified material about Bush administration policy on Iran to the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, the major Israeli lobbying group in Washington,

"We've cooperated in this investigation. and whether AIPAC in turn passed it to Israel. AIPAC has acknowledged

2. acknowledged that the FBI has interviewed some of its employees but strongly denies any wrongdoing. "We've cooping. this

erated in this investigation. We think there is nothing to it," said AIPAC attorney Nathan Lewin.

Israeli Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom said Monday that meetings between Israeli embassy employees in Washington and U.S. government officials are commonplace, and that the two governments routinely share secrets.

"Israel and the United States have intimate ties ... and the information being exchanged is much more classified than any conversation that may have taken place," Shalom told reporters in Israel.

Man kills wife, child, then himself

Associated Press

WATERFORD TOWNSHIP, Mich. — A suspended police officer under criminal investigation shot his wife and 9-yearold son, then killed himself, police said Monday.

The bodies of Officer Michael Waleskowski, his wife and son were found in upstairs bedrooms of their Waterford Township home following a fire Sunday morning, but Robert Gerds, administrator for the Oakland County medical examiner's office, said all three died from gunshot wounds to the head.

Waterford Township Deputy Police Chief Dale LaCroix said Waleskowski was under criminal and internal investigation for allegations of theft. He said the officer had been suspended, but would not give any more details.

"We believe that Officer

Michael Waleskowski killed his wife, his son and then himself," LaCroix said.

Officials would not say what role the fire played. Dennis Storrs, the township fire chief, said only that it was likely flammable liquids were in the home.

Waleskowski was a five-year veteran of the police department in Waterford Township, about 35 miles northwest of Detroit.

San Francisco lawyer goes on trial

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Russian emigre Nikolai Tehin put himself through law school and apparently obtained the American dream after three decades of lawyering: a 73-foot yacht, a seemingly endless fleet of luxury cars and an \$8 million home.

But the rags-to-riches saga could end in federal prison for the now-disgraced and disbarred attorney. Tehin's fraud trial began with jury selection Monday and he faces more than 20 years in prison if convicted.

Federal prosecutors allege Tehin financed his lavish lifestyle by ripping off more than \$2 million from his clients, who included low-income apartment tenants, disabled children and struggling immigrants.

Tehin, 57, is charged him with 15 counts of mail fraud, money laundering and related felonies, all connected to accusations that he spent his clients' settlement money on himself and to pay off other clients in a Ponzi-type fraud scheme.

"Lawyers owe a duty of loyalty to their clients," U.S. Attorney Kevin Ryan said after Tehin was arrested at his home last year. "Nikolai Tehin is accused not just of breaching that duty in the most egregious way, but of violating federal law to enrich himself at the expense of the people who trusted him."

A spokeswoman for Ryan's office didn't return a telephone call placed late Friday.

Harold Rosenthal, Tehin's lawyer, conceded Tehin grossly mismanaged his clients' money and caused a lot of suffering for his former clients and others. But Rosenthal said Tehin's conduct was not criminal.

"This was harmful, this was bad and it is something that he is ashamed of," Rosenthal said. "But it's not a mail fraud. It's not the crimes that they have charged." Rosenthal said Tehin was a talented attorney who failed miserably with handling success and allowed his law practice's finances to spiral out of control.

"This a cautionary tale on how to deal with money and talent," Rosenthal said. "It's a cautionary tale on how one must be careful when you go from being a very poor immigrant to a person who is dealing with sums of money which were incomprehensible to his parents."

According to the U.S. Attorney's Office, Tehin began his alleged fraud in 2001 when he took about \$1.3 million owed to dozens of low-income tenants he represented in Napa and squandered it on personal and professional expenses. The clients, many of them migrant farmworkers from Mexico, had sued their landlord for failing to keep rental units habitable. Public interest lawyers enlisted Tehin to win the landmark settlement.



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Blessed are the Republicans?

You may have been skeptical before, but it is now certain: God wants George W. Bush to be President of the United States of America. At least that is what Dubya and his followers want you to believe. This week, Tom Ridge, Dick Peter Cheney and all the good, ol' boys con-Quaranto

verge on New York

City to tout Dubya's

character. The

A Call to Action

announced theme of this Republican National Convention is "Fulfilling America's Promise: Building a Safer World and a More Hopeful America," however there is another theme that Karl Rove wants us to digest: "Blessed are the Republicans."

In his term, President Bush has used religious language more than any president. When asked his favorite philosopher in 1999, he answered Jesus. Bush has reportedly proclaimed that God wants him to be president. Consequently, he has become an instant favorite of many "religious" people because he is perceived as a "man of faith." Now as Bush and company. attempt to gain another four years, they have sent out letters to church leaders across the country, listing duties, including "Send your Church Directory to your State Bush-Cheney '04 Headquarters" and "Identify another conservative church in your community who we can organize for Bush."

While I certainly do not question the commitment of President Bush to his faith, I wonder if that faith is often used as a political tool. President Bush loves to wear his faith on his sleeve and focus on social issues - which he uses to divide as opposed to really addressing the problems - but he speaks not of many of the teachings of his favorite philosopher, Jesus. Thus as he and his delegates congregate in New York City, I thought we might evaluate just how well President Bush has read the teachings of his favorite philosopher, particularly Jesus' teachings at the Sermon on the Mount. For at the end of the day, if President Bush wants to bring faith into the public sphere, we have to ask the question: Just how blessed are the **Republicans**?

In the Book of Matthew, Jesus provides

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

clear teachings on his message to his disciples then and now. The first Beatitude reads, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Applying that to today, President Bush and his party would claim his administration has created a culture of responsibility and opportunity for the poor. Unfortunately, quite the opposite has occurred as more than four million Americans have fallen below the poverty line, creating a total of more than 35 million people in poverty. Even more troubling, Bush has consistently sided with management over labor, resulting in a swelling of the "working poor." In a country that cares a great deal about unemployment rates, a job is no longer a guarantee to leave the

ranks of poverty. A second Beatitude reads, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." In this saying, Jesus speaks about all who suffer from illness. Again, Bush proclaims that he has EEF. created a more efficient and more caring (III) healthcare system, but the realities suggest quite the opposite. Over the last four years, the number of Americans without health insurance has increased by more than four million to a horrific total of more than 45 million Americans. According to Paul Krugman, a professor of economics at Princeton, Bush's plan of creating policies that encourage individuals to pay more for medical expenses helps the wealthy, while increasing the ranks of the uninsured. He writes that the "government must assume more of the risk to reduce socially wasteful spending and make employment-based insurance easier to get." In other words, Bush's policies will only create more people who mourn without resources to comfort them.

Finally, a third Beatitude that is relevant proclaims: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God." The Bush foreign policy, in reac-

tion to the appalling acts of 9/11, has been to build and utilize American military might to overthrow rogue regimes. Yet, these policies have contributed to a less safe, more hostile world. Only through a comprehensive military, economic and political approach that unites the world to address the roots of terrorism and enforce rule of law will we overcome terror. The Iraq war, a war of choice that was sold to the American people on completely false premises, has only hurt America's image in the world and its ability to effectively defeat terrorism. Of course, the saddest part is the

thousands dead from the war. This week throughout the RNC, different speakers will attempt to persuade you and me to vote for Bush because he possesses a strong character of faith. Yet if we have the courage to get outside the "bubble" and face the realities, we may see that the last four years have ushered in a time of great ftent biset hopelessness for the poor and marginalized of our society.

> So before the **Republicans** proclaim their holiness before the world, they should

reread Jesus' teachings in the Sermon on the Mount. For if we dare to seriously face Jesus' teachings, we see that we cannot become the disciples of a political party that does not live up to its holy preponderances.

Peter Quaranto is a junior political science and international peace studies major. Quoting Talib Kweli, who rocked the JACC last weekend, "Ask Him why some people got to live in a trailer, cuss like a sailor ... just to get by ... I let them know we missin you, the love is unconditional; Even when the condition is critical, when the livin is miserable." Buy his new record, "Beautiful Struggle. Contact Peter at pquarant@nd.edu.

The views of this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

Notre Dame: True to its mission

As we left for the summer, the Muslim students of Notre Dame were anxiously awaiting the coming of fall and the arrival of Professor Tariq Ramadan, prob moderate and progressive Muslim intellectual of our time. Though it is sad to learn the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's decision to clamp down on the freedom of expression enjoyed and cherished by American academics, it is also heartening to see the manner in which the students, the faculty members and the administration of this University have united in opposing this undemocratic decision of the government. We cannot thank the Notre Dame community enough for all that it has done to hold true to its values of academic freedom and to foster a climate that encourages dialogue and

understanding in the current global atmosphere of hatred and violence.

In continuing with these efforts, the Muslim Student Association is drafting a letter to members of Congress and Senate to petition against the DHS's decision to revoke Professor Ramadan's visa. Thank you for all your support and peace be upon you.

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"Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only be achieved by understanding."

Albert Einstein

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Opposing gay marriage

As someone who opposes gay marriage, or gay "marriage," I would like to respond to the mischaracterizations offered by Michael Poffenberger.

First of all, I have to admit I cannot speak for everyone who opposes gay marriage. However, I think I understand us as a group better than Michael Poffenberger does, though he seems to be quite willing to generalize us in the most uncharitable ways. So I would claim with some confidence that we are not trying to interefere in the lives of homosexuals. I could hardly care less what gays do for, with, or to each other. If they want to live together, terrific. If they want to share bank accounts, great. If they want to go before some Unitarian minister to be pronounced husband and husband, or wife and wife, super. If they want to perform foul acts on each other, fabulous — as long as it is not in public. People like Michael Poffenberger merely flatter themselves by believing that what they do in their private lives is of any concern to us.

Gay marriage, however, if it were ever to become law, would not merely define what gays may do, but what the rest of us would have to do as well. If gay marriage were the law of the land, I and everyone else, would be obligated to recognize their relationships as equivalent to the natural lifelong union of man and woman. By opposing gay marriage, I am not trying to deny any rights, real or perceived, to homosexuals. I am trying to preserve my own right to make a moral distinction between traditional marriage —which, however abused, is still holy — and something which is unspeakably perverse. Consider an example I came across recently. There is a couple out west somewhere who own and run a bed and breakfast. They are deeply religious, and will only offer rooms to married couples. They do not want fornication taking place on their property. This is not only their moral right, but their legal right, too. If gay marriage became law, though, they would be legally compelled to provide rooms for gay couples too. The article made no mention of what they think of sodomy, but if they are appalled by fornication, I think I could make a safe guess.

Finally, I would just like to point out the hypocrisy of people like Michael Poffenberger, who claim to want respect and tolerance for all, but who have no problem leveling baseless judgments against others. According to him, if you oppose gay marriage, then you: are insensitive to the suffering of the poor; are guilty of hyperconsumption and celebrity worship; blame homosexuals for all the problems in the world; etc. Then there is his treatment of the Church, which, because a very small percentage of its priests — many of whom, it turns out, were themselves homosexual — have abused children, may not perform a task it was commissioned for, to condemn sin and call all to repentance. I wanted to point out this hypocrisy, because I saw it all the time as an undergraduate, and I am sure it will be repeated over and over in these pages and elsewhere.

> Peter Ramsey Class of 1996 Aug. 30

Judging the Sophomore Class Council's effectiveness

I have to question Christian Hoeffel's intent in his Aug. 27 letter. He begins his letter by questioning how the Sophomore Class Officers have handled their positions so far. However, he ignores anything that the Council has actually done and focuses completely on their choices for the rest of the Class Council.

Hoeffel brings up how, after leading "one of the most active and successful committees in our class council," he was denied the opportunity to serve his class again. Worst of all, he was replaced by someone "without previous council experience." Well, if Hoeffel could have done such a wonderful job leading the Spiritual Council last year without any experience. I have the utmost confidence in

Questioning integrity

Although I agree with many of the points that Michael Poffenberger makes in his August 30 commentary, as well as with his general argument, I am bothered terribly by some of the things that he audaciously said. In some respects, I would have to argue that Poffenberger sacrifices his own credibility in order to criticize those either whom he dislikes or with whose policies he disagrees.

In criticizing the "right-wing ideologues" he makes statements that rely both on unconfirmed accusations and a blatant disregard for recent public speeches. Jack Ryan, so far as Mr. Poffenberger knows, never forced his wife to commit sex acts in public. Rather, Jeri Ryan accused her then-husband of this misdeed. He denies this. Whether or not the speech for sincere or simply a politically charged attempt at appeasing moderates and liberals within the Republican party, Vice President Cheney recently publicly broke rank with the administration on the subject of gay marriage.

The point that Mr. Poffenberger makes about Church in its current state may hold some truth, but besides verging on clichéd by now, it is a dangerous point, one that easily could lead to dramatic upheaval. Yes, the Church has been, in many cases, lax in its responsibilities regarding sex abuse scandals. Yes, the Church was wrong on slavery, and may be wrong about homosexuality. However, that the Church is right on this one is possible, too. Arguing that the Church may not have the authority to lecture on sexual responsibility because of its own problems sets a dangerous precedent: Would Mr. Poffenberger argue that because of various faults of the federal government, it is not fit to exercise any authority with regards to these particular matters? Such an argument easily could call for disorganized anarchy as the only remaining solution.

In short, Mr. Poffenberger argues an important point on the whole; however, some of the statements that he makes threaten his credibility and cast a shadow of doubt on his integrity.

> Nathan Origer Fisher Hall junior Aug. 30

Does Notre Dame really have a homophobic student body?

Notre Dame is a beautiful place with beautiful people, who may, according to the most recent Princeton Review rankings, be the most homophobic in the nation. It is an accusation that would give even the most cynical domer some amount of pause. To not get a little defensive would be to shoulder an embarrassing burden, given to us by a representative — however fair — 300 students.

The Observer's Editorial response to this ranking in Friday's paper challenged the students to prove the ranking wrong, to treat all persons with respect regardless of an adherence to any one Catholic doctrine. I agree. However, The Observer also criticized the Princeton Review's polling methods, and twice seems to imply that there are actually only 300 students here who believe that the University might have a ways to go

might have a ways to go, at least before we can honestly descend that homophobic scale. "Three hundred students who perceive such a large problem on this campus are 300 too many" and "least accepting of alternative lifestyles" are Christian schools, eight of those schools appearing again on the "Students pray on a regular basis" top 20. This could be an indication that doctrinal influence in this case should not be tossed aside as confidently as The Observer has done. "Catholic identity should never give the impression that the University actively discriminates against any individuals, regardless of what doctrine says about their sexual orientation, who choose to enter the Notre Dame community." Our nation was founded upon certain doctrines of freedom and liberty, but we do not throw these aside as mere words when we praise our nation as a leader in freedoms and lib-

erties, nor do we discard them when making a case that the U.S. may not be living up to its own original expectations.

Neither should the Catholic Church or any of its members or institutions. If there is a problem — homophobia the worst possible solution is to ignore or defend the very law that says its root is "an abomination." To resist the charge that the doctrines may be he problem is to ignore that the top five schools given this mark are Christian-affiliated, as well as over half of the top 20. 2. Four of the top five schools - Notre Dame, Baylor, Grove City and Wheaton - and seven out of the top nine offer only single-sex housing to students living on campus. (The average for on-campus living at these schools is high at around 70 percent.) Single-sex dorms presuppose a number of things about gender, but heterosexual preference is often if not always a major underlying motivation for such segregation. Until the administration and students here think critically about how our "doctrines" Catholic or Bill Kirk - may shape our gendered lives, no amount of denouncing the Princeton Review will end our homophobia.

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this year's spiritual commissioner. It is possible that new members of the council possess the necessary abilities to be effective.

Hoeffel also mentions how the representation of the dorms is uneven. First of all, I'm sure if someone from one of the dorms that is not represented had a concern, the council would listen to it. Furthermore, Hoeffel is assuming that to get a fair cross-section of students from Notre Dame's campus you need to have each dorm represented. That is simply not true; because dorm assignments are completely random, you could fill every Class Council position with people from a single dorm and still have a diverse group of qualified people.

The final point of Hoeffel's letter is that, because the dorms are not evenly represented, the class officers must have filled the Council positions with their friends. Therefore, the Council is not objective enough to lead efficiently. The ticket he worked on, however, would not have done this. I'm sure that, had the ticket Hoeffel worked on won, he would have refused a spot on the Council on the grounds that he is their friend and that would make their leadership inefficient.

It is only one week into the new academic year. It is far too early to be judging the Sophomore Class Council's effectiveness. However, if the Late Night Grill is any indication, we are in for a great year.

> Ryan Bravo Fisher Hall sophomore Aug. 30

far more," the article reads.

"Changing just 300

minds could change

Does The Observer want to have its homophobia and deny it too? Even if these "300" statements are just tools of rhetoric meant to downplay the results, they are questionable for an article attempting to make a serious case against the Princeton Review's findings and at the same time to accept some responsibility for the sad fact "Even though the survey sought opinions from a very small constituent of Notre Dame students," it writes, "the results have teeth." In its attempt to save the gay cake in the freezer — or the closet — for as long as possible, The Observer and we students are

absolving ourselves at the expense of what could lead to a thoughtful dialogue concerning gender relations — all gender relations, gay-straight, male-female — at Notre Dame. A couple patterns in the Princeton Review's rankings, for instance, could ultimately be helpful in achieving more harmonious campus attitudes.

1. Twelve of the top 20 schools listed as

Martha Patzer senior off-campus Aug. 30

MOVIE TRENDS

Successful sequels headline summer season

STHE OBSERVER **S**CENE

By MOLLY GRIFFIN Scene Writer

Sequels

Sometimes it seems that Hollywood's mantra is, "If something works once, keep doing it until it stops making money." Staying true to this philosophy, the defining feature of this summer's movie lineup was cinematic déjà vu, also known as the sequel. It wasn't just the usual gang of big-budget blockbusters that had sequels but instead was a trend that spread across all film genres. We had the expected sequels like "Spider-Man 2," "The Bourne Supremacy," "Shrek 2" and "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban," and less-expected second installments of smaller films like "Before Sunrise" and "The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement." There were also some interesting films like "The Exorcist: The Beginning" which is a prequel to the hugely successful "Exorcist" series and "Alien Vs. Predator," which was an interesting hybrid of characters from the "Alien" and "Predator" films. The fact that Hollywood recycled ideas and characters again isn't surprising, but the fact that most of the sequels put out this summer were as good, if not better than the originals, was shocking.

Disappointing Box Offices

Some movies just seem like they can't fail. Whether they have a bigname cast, a huge marketing budget or a character that already has been successful, these movies just seem destined to top the box office. Unfortunately, even these seemingly perfect films can be unsuccessful, and like all tragedies, it is usually due to one fatal flaw. Failure in movies is often measured monetarily, but for the movie-going public, real failure is when a movie just isn't as good as you had anticipated. "The Stepford Wives"

had an all-star cast, but it couldn't overcome the curse of being a remake. "Troy" had beefcakes Brad Pitt and Eric Bana fighting in skirts, a formula that would seem to appeal to everyone, but when you try to make an ancient Greek classic into a popcorn movie, you usually don't please anyone. "King Arthur" ran into the same history against Hollywood problems as "Troy," even with a half-naked Kiera Knightly. The empire that is the Olsen Twins began to show signs of instability with "New York Minute," proving that no one, not even the queens of teen, can keep adolescent girls happy. Tom Hanks plus Steven Spielberg plus Catherine Zeta-Jones should not equal failure, but "The Terminal" was just too schmaltzy and contrived to keep audiences happy. This summer, it seemed like the movies that appeared most likely to succeed were the most spectacular failures of all.

Big Indie Movies

This was the summer of the underdog, and we're not just talking about Spider-Man again. Independent films had a huge summer at the box office, both critically and commercially. One of the most controversial films of the year, "Fahrenheit 9/11" became the most successful documentary in history, and the current underground favorite "Napoleon Dynamite" has proven that independent films not only can make back their cost in box office receipts, but can also beat out bigger movies at the box office. Other films such as "Saved!", "Garden State", the director's cut of "Donnie Darko" and the foreign film "Hero" have had major success this summer, and have changed the way the public looks at summer films. Hopefully, the success of these independent films will let us expect less "The Day after Tomorrow" and more "Super Size Me" in summers to come.



Tobey Maguire stars in the title role in "Spider-Man 2," which led the way as just one of the many successful sequels during the summer season.

The Demise of Teen Movies

There was a stretch of time when teen movies could not fail. It produced the "American Pie" trilogy, launched Freddie Prinze Jr. into superstardom and made prom seem like the pinnacle of existence. The summer of 2004 revealed that the era of Jason Biggs and his kin was very much over. With the exception of "Mean Girls," it was a slow season for the teen genre. "Sleepover" barely made a blip at the box office; Hillary Duff's "A Cinderella Story" was forgettable, as was the Olsen Twins' "New York Minute." 'White Chicks" aimed for the Adam Sandler audience and missed. The only effort at the bathroom-humordriven teen comedy, "Harold and Kumar Go to White Castle," while not a failure, revealed an end of an era.

What Happened to August?

Throughout June and July, it seemed like the good movies coming out would never stop. Major films were duking it out for the top of the box office, and the general public was winning. Once August came, all of the movie sources seem to have dried up. Where we once had "Spider-Man 2" fighting "The Bourne Supremacy" and "Harry Potter" for the No. 1 spot in the box office, we now have "AVP" and "The Exorcist: The Beginning" beating everyone hands down. Maybe the studios are afraid that school and work will suck off a lot of viewers, but when do we need new, good movies as an excuse not to do our work more than at the beginning of the school year?

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Martial arts epic tops weekend box office

Associated Press

"Hero," Jet Li's acclaimed martialarts epic, vanquished giant snakes, serial killers and a gang of superbaof summer 2003's revenue record of \$3.9 billion US. But factoring in higher admission prices, the number of tickets sold will lag a bit behind last summer.

"Hero," nominated for the foreign-



bies to debut as the top weekend film with \$17.8 million US at the box office in Canada and the United States.

"Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid," a sequel to 1997's monsterserpent flick, opened in second place with \$13.2 million US, according to studio estimates Sunday.

The weekend's other new movies debuted weakly. The serial killer tale "Suspect Zero," starring Aaron Eckhart, Ben Kingsley and Carrie-Anne Moss, came in at No. 10 with \$3.4 million US.

"Superbabies: Baby Geniuses 2," a follow-up to the 1999 kid flick, finished at No. 11 with \$3.3 million US.

The previous weekend's No. 1 movie, "Exorcist: The Beginning," tumbled to fifth-place with \$6.7 million US, a steep 63 per cent drop from its \$18.1 million debut.

Overall, the top 12 movies grossed \$84.7 million US, virtually unchanged over the same weekend a year ago.

With Hollywood's summer season wrapping up over Labor Day weekend, the industry will finish slightly ahead language Academy Award for 2002, is director Zhang Yimou's saga of China some 2,000 years ago. The film stars Li, Maggie Cheung, Zhang Ziyi, Chen Dao Ming, Tony Leung Chiu-Wai and Donnie Yen, a lineup of Asian superstars that distributor Miramax calls the "Ocean's Eleven of Chinese films."

"It obviously hit a nerve and certainly bodes well for Chinese films and foreign-language films," said Rick Sands, chief operating officer at Miramax, which opened Hero in 2,031 theatres, unusually wide for a foreign-language movie. "We believed in the movie and went for it."

Presented in Mandarin with English subtitles, Hero twists through several retellings of an assassination plot against the ruthless leader of Qin, who seeks to subjugate China's other six kingdoms and became the land's first emperor. The stories, character motivations and even color schemes change with each retelling as the film weaves toward the ultimate truth of events.

Critics raved over the cinematography, romance, lush imagery and glorihoto courtesy of allmoviephotos.com

Jet Li stars in the foreign-language, martial arts epic "Hero." The film earned \$17.8 million over the weekend to debut in the top slot of the box office.

ous fight sequences, whose balletic grace rivals that of Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon, the 2000 martial arts hit.

"We talk about the dog days of August, but maybe these are the days of opportunity for certain types of films to do well after the blockbuster onslaught of early summer," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of box office tracker Exhibitor Relations. "This is a time when competition is a lot less fierce, and a movie like "Hero" can take advantage of that."

SCENE

MOVIE REVIEW

Tuesday, August 31, 2004

Exposure is key in 'Open Water'

By BRANDON HOLLIHAN Scene Critic

As soon as the closing credits of "Open Water" concluded and the house lights of the theater came up, a teenage girl immediately blurted, "That was the stupidest movie I have ever seen!" It's the only verbal audience response to a movie I had encountered during the entire summer, with the exception of people cheering at the end of "Fahrenheit 9/11" (and I could go on forever about those people).

I'm sure many people felt the same way this girl did, and I blame the marketing techniques unleashed on "Open Water." The audience was made to think it would be the next "Jaws," or we could assume it would be similar in style to "The Blair Witch Project." This film,

however, transcends those two, first by implementing foreshadowing details, and then building in suspense for the majority of the plot. Susan



Director: Chris Kentis Writer: Chris Kentis Starring: Blanchard Ryan, Daniel Travis and Saul Stein Hoffman

(Blanchard Ryan) and Daniel (Daniel Travis) are a married couple so waylaid with their professional lives that they just need an island vacation, which happens to include a scuba diving session.

Little do they know that while they are exploring the ocean's surface, their boat crew has miscalculated the number of people aboard. Upon surfacing they find the boat nowhere in sight, and both of them (as they remark at some point or other) are "stranded in the middle of the ocean."

The strongest element of the film's design is the way it treats everything with harsh exposure. Many of the camera shots, both in and out of water, are close-ups, making it more uncomfortable for the audience to watch. At times the shooting, lighting and general staging even makes the audience feel like they're intruding on two people's personal lives. One vital moment consists of a nude Susan lying on a hotel bed as Daniel lies down next to her. This isn't a lewd shot; it conveys the sense of exposure the audience gets throughout the

film. Both Daniel and Susan are figuratively "naked," as we watch their emotions, personalities and inner thinking blow up in front of us, out of sometimes nowhere.

The ocean filming must have been brutal for Ryan and Travis, but it's a director's dream. Director Chris Kentis and his wife, cinematographer Laura Lau, essentially play gods

of the ocean, harrowing the actors with jellyfish attacks, thunderstorms and, of course, those man-eating sharks. Although the movie is only 80 minutes



Married couple Susan (Blanchard Ryan) and Daniel find themselves abandoned in treacherous, shark-infested water in the low-budget film, "Open Water."

long, there are some gut-wrenching moments that almost freeze time because of how powerful they are --although they sometimes seem to be a little too much. Also of note are the numerous quick cuts back to the island, reminding the audience of what the ideal image of an island vacation is, before taking them back to Susan and Daniels' increasingly desperate situation. The music score, composed by Graeme Revell, is mostly beneficial, but much of it is nothing we haven't heard in other

suspense/horror films. Above all else, give "Open Water" huge credit for fulfilling its goals of originality. This isn't "Jaws," where the characters eventually roll up their sleeves and face nature's obstacles head-on. This is a film that makes matters for its two leads so traumatic that you wonder how, with each new twist, they could possibly survive.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Disappointments abound in creature brawl

By MARK BEMENDERFER Scene Critic

Moviegoers were treated to films this summer covering the entire spectrum. The summer got off to a terrific start but unsuccessfully tried to match those initial movies. Between the movies that held huge potential and those that were hyped as the next blockbuster, there was a lot of disappointment, including "Alien Vs. Predator," directed by Paul W. S. Anderson.

Hardly any movie came out this summer that could have matched the amount of franchise history this film carried with it (the possible exception "Spider-Man 2"). being The Aliens/Predator films have managed to create a large culture within the cinema world, one large enough to have created numerous sequels, video games, comics and novels based on their respective worlds. The movies have had fantastic talent at the helm. such as directors James Cameron, **Ridley Scott and John McTiernan**

Between the two icons of the cinema world, there are over 30 years of combined history to delve. With all that to feed off, it would seem the next movie in the series would not be too hard to pull off. Apparently it was.

"Alien Vs. Predator" is a very different film from the preceding ones. The xenomorphs (Aliens) have been changed and no longer adhere to rules established in the previous Alien films, as have the Predators. The result is angry fans.

But it's not just the fans who will find

near long enough nor is the rest of the movie as engaging. The normally obligatory scenes, which should have been used to make the audience more sympathetic with the human characters, seem to have been replaced with bits serving little function. They only seek to turn the movie from 25 minutes to 101. It doesn't bode well when a slasher like "Freddy Vs. Jason" turns out to be more interesting than a movie with as much franchise history as this one.

For those that care little for either franchise series, there's nothing else to this movie lacking. Much like the sum- know. There are slightly entertaining fight scenes, but the rest of the movie is a bore.



A Predator, left, and an Alien face off in a ritualistic, bloody brawl in "Alien Vs. Predator," a film which pits the two creature franchises against each other.

mer's earlier movie "The Chronicles of Riddick," this movie does little to humanize the characters beyond the obligatory introduc-

tion scene. Instead, the human characters seem to be on screen only for fodder. The plot for this film is so negligible that it will disappoint both hardcore fans and those who have never seen a single movie in either franchise.

Of course, the average person probably won't go see the movie for the human element. The two aliens are both represented well through computer graphic imaging and costumes. The fight scenes between the two, much like those seen last summer in "Freddy Vs. Jason," are the highlights of the movie.

Sadly, the fight scenes are nowhere

However, fans of the series should be

"Alien Vs. Predator"



Director: Paul W.S. Anderson Writer: Paul W.S. Anderson Starring: Sanaa Lathan, Raoul Bova, Lance Henriksen and Ewen Bremner happy, as there will be a "director's cut" of the film when the DVD is released. The movie was trimmed heavily so that it would get a PG-13 rating, the first to do so in either of the preceding movies in these

series.

The director's cut promises to restore many of those missing scenes, and hopefully the spark this movie missed will be found within the DVD. As it stands, this movie is a very poor way to end either franchise.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago Cubs jump out to half-game lead in wild-card race

Associated Press

MONTREAL - Greg Maddux threw seven shutout innings for his 302nd career win and also drove in a run, leading the Chicago Cubs to a 5-2 win over the Montreal Expos.

Maddux (13-8), who became the 22nd pitcher in major league history to reach 300 wins on Aug. 7, scattered five hits, struck out two and walked none.

LaTroy Hawkins got one out for his 20th save in 26 opportunities.

Chicago, swept by Houston in three straight at home over the weekend, regained the NL wildcard lead, moving a half-game ahead of idle San Diego.

Terrmel Sledge hit a two-run homer off Jon Leicester in the ninth for the Expos, who lost their third straight and fell to 3-5 on their season-high 13-game homestand.

Sammy Sosa hit a two-run double off Rocky Biddle (4-8) in the Cubs' four-run third after catching a break an inning earlier when plate umpire Ted Barrett called Montreal's Juan Rivera out on a close play at home.

With runners at second and third and one out, Rivera broke for home on Brian Schneider's grounder. First baseman Derrek Lee's throw home appeared to beat Rivera, who slid outside past catcher Paul Bako and reached with his left hand to touch the plate as he slid by.

Rivera looked up at Barrett, who made no sign until Bako came over and tagged him for the second out. Expos manager Frank Robinson argued the call with Barrett, then crew chief Ed Rapuano — the second base umpire, to no avail.

Braves 7, Glants 6

Even with a big lead in the NL East, the Atlanta Braves aren't taking anything for granted.

Playing like a team fighting for a playoff spot, the Braves rallied for two runs in the ninth inning Monday to defeat the San Francisco Giants.

Julio Franco tied the game with an RBI triple and Andruw Jones followed with a gamewinning single off Giants closer Dustin Hermanson.

"We take every game like it's our last game," Jones said. "Especially when they give us opportunities like they gave us today. Every opportunity we have to win games, we've got to losing two of three games at Florida June 22-24. They improved their record against the NL West this month to 13-4 after taking three of four from the Giants.

Barry Bonds was not in the starting lineup a day after he hit two of the three longest home runs in Turner Field history. He pinch hit in the ninth and grounded out against Roman Colon (1-0) to end the inning.

Chipper Jones began the day with his wife for the birth of their third son, but he was in the dugout by the sixth inning. He struck out as a pinch-hitter in the seventh inning.

J.D. Drew, who went 3-for-4 with a three-run homer, started the ninth-inning rally with a single. Franco followed with another shot to right that rolled past Ricky Ledee for a gametying triple.

'Not bad for an old man," said the 46-year-old Franco after his second triple of the season. "You might never see that again.

Marlins 6, Mets 4

The Florida Marlins are trying to make their move in the NL wild-card race.

Damion Easley, starting because of an injury to Luis Castillo, hit a go-ahead two-run homer in the seventh inning, and the Marlins beat the New York Mets to extend their winning streak to four.

Florida overcame a shaky outing by Dontrelle Willis, who allowed three homers for the first time in his career, including one to Mike Piazza in his return from the disabled list.

Miguel Cabrera also hit a tworun homer and Juan Pierre had four hits for the Marlins, who remained four games back of the wild-card leading Chicago Cubs and also trail San Diego and San Francisco.

"It's a good position to be in," Marlins manager Jack McKeon said before the game. "We're fortunate enough to have six games with one of the leaders, the Cubs. We've got our own destiny in our own hands."

Florida (67-62) moved five games over .500 for the first time since June 29. Last year, the Marlins surged with an 18-8 record in September and went on to win the wild card and their second World Series title in seven seasons.

"I sure hope that we have the same type of September we did last year," McKeon said. "If we do, we'll be in pretty good shape.'



Astros 11, Reds 3

Brad Ausmus hit a tiebreaking three-run homer in the sixth inning and drove in a seasonhigh four runs, leading the surging Houston Astros to a victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

Lance Berkman homered twice and drove in four runs for the Astros, who won for the seventh time in eight games. Houston is just four games behind Chicago, which leads the NL wild-card race.

Pete Munro (3-5) went fiveplus innings to win for the first time in seven starts since July 25. He gave up three runs and eight hits, and struck out a season-high six.

Adam Dunn hit his 40th homer for the Reds, and Felipe Lopez added a two-run shot.

With the game tied at 3, Jeff Kent reached on a leadoff infield. Mike Lamb grounded into fielder's choice, Jose Vizcaino singled and Ausmus homered to center on a 3-0

four-run seventh, including Berkman's two-run double and Ausmus's run-scoring single. Berkman scored when Dunn failed to catch Kent's drive to the warning track in left for a two-base error.

The Astros scored an unearned run in the first when Craig Biggio scored from third on third baseman Ryan Freel's two-out fielding error on Kent's sharp grounder.

Munro made it 2-0 in the second, driving in Vizcaino with a sacrifice fly for the third RBI of his five-year career — and first since 2002.

Pirates 5, Brewers 1

Darvle Ward homered twice and had five RBIs and the Pittsburgh Pirates beat Milwaukee 5-1 on Monday night, sending the Brewers to their 12th straight loss.

Milwaukee tied its NL record for consecutive losses, and has scored just seven runs in its last the American League.

Josh Fogg (9-9) scattered five hits in 6 2-3 shutout innings for his third win in his last four starts.

Ward hit a two-run homer in the first off Ben Hendrickson (0-6) and a three-run shot in the seventh off reliever Mike Adams. He also walked twice and was hit by a pitch.

Jack Wilson singled with one out in the first and Ward followed with his 13th homer to make it 2-0.

With two outs in the seventh, Jason Kendall singled, chasing Hendrickson. Adams relieved and allowed a single to Jack Wilson before Ward hit his 14th home run of the year to give Pittsburgh a 5-0 lead.

Bill Hall hit a sacrifice fly in the ninth off of Jose Mesa for the only Milwaukee run.

It was the best outing for Hendrickson, a rookie who has dominated at Triple-A, but has lost each of his six major league

take advantage.

The Braves have lost only one of their last 19 series since pitch from Phil Norton (1-5). It was Ausmus' first homer in 59 at-bats since July 25.

five games. The franchise mark appearances. He gave up three runs and for consecutive losses is 14 in 1994, when the team played in four hits in 6 2-3 innings.

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MLB Borchard's homer longest at U.S. Celluar, Sox win

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Joe Borchard set a small crowd abuzz with the longest homer in the 14-year history of U.S. Cellular Field.

But some small ball — a bunt and aggressive baserunning by Timo Perez — were just as big Monday in helping the Chicago White Sox beat the Philadelphia Phillies 9-8 in a wild interleague makeup game.

"I just put my head down and started running. I could feel it was going a long way. I didn't know how far it would go," Borchard said.

The second-inning drive to right-center off Brett Myers cleared the bleachers and landed in the middle of a concourse — an estimated 504 feet from the plate. The previous longest homer at the ballpark that opened in 1991 as new Comiskey Park, was a 495-foot shot by Frank Thomas two years ago against the Twins.

"Complete shock," Borchard

said after learning of his feat.

"He crushed it," Myers said. "It definitely was an impressive shot.

The White Sox took a 7-6 lead with two runs in the sixth off Roberto Hernandez (2-5) to make a winner of Mark Buehrle (12-8).

Aaron Rowand hit a two-out RBI single off Hernandez to tie it and scored the go-ahead run when third baseman David Bell and Hernandez collided trying to field Perez's bunt single.

'I think Timo caught David Bell back and actually over a little bit in the hole. It was a good move on his part," Rowand said. "I had a feeling he might try it. We were thinking along the same lines and it worked out.'

Rowand made it 9-6 in the eighth with his 20th homer, a two-run shot off Todd Jones.

Jim Thome hit a two-out. two-run homer in the ninth off Shingo Takatsu, but the Chicago closer struck out Doug Glanville for his 14th save in 15 chances.

Earlier in the game, Perez got caught in a rundown but scored when he knocked the ball out of Bell's glove at third and then raced home.

"I never had that happen before," Bell said. "I should have had two hands on it or got a better grip."

So, Bell was in the center of two of the game's pivotal plays on a rather manic Monday.

"When games like that happen and you win, it's OK. But you lose, it's kind of frustrating. You think of things you could have done differently," Bell said.

"It was a good bunt and I yelled probably a little too late and he (Hernandez) already committed. I think either one of us would have had a chance to throw him out, but I think I just let him know too late.³

The game was a makeup of a June 10 rainout and the White Sox's victory clinched interleague bragging rights for the

AL this season, 127-125.

"There was some weird stuff happening today, weird defensive plays, some on our part, some on their part," Myers said.

After Borchard's homer put the White Sox up 3-2, the Phillies came right back with three runs in the third to take a 5-3 lead. Jason Michaels homered, Bell had an RBI double, and Placido Polanco had a sacrifice fly.

Tigers 9, Royals 1

Craig Monroe homered twice and drove in five runs, and Nate Robertson threw his first career complete game in the Detroit Tigers victory over the Kansas City Royals.

Ivan Rodriguez added a tworun homer for the Tigers, who snapped a four-game losing streak and sent the Royals to their 10th loss in 12 games.

Robertson (12-7) allowed one run and six hits in becoming the first Tigers left-hander to win 12 games in seven years. He had seven strikeouts and no walks.

Monroe gave the Tigers a 2-0 lead in the second with his second homer in two games, sending a 1-1 pitch from Mike Wood (2-7) to left.

Rodriguez, who missed the previous three games with flulike symptoms, hit a two-run shot off Wood in the third to make it 4-0. It was Rodriguez's 17th homer and the 1,000th run he has scored in his career.

Facing Wood again in the fifth after Carlos Guillen and Carlos Pena walked, Monroe hit a 1-0 pitch 408 feet over the fence in left to make it 7-0. The left fielder has hit safely in 15 of his last 16 games with seven home runs, 18 RBIs, seven doubles and 16 runs scored. He's hitting .379 in the stretch.

Calvin Pickering hit a long home run — his fourth — off Robertson in the fifth.

Guillen added a two-run double in the ninth off Matt Kinney to cap the scoring.

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TENNIS

Williams in second round

Associated Press

NEW YORK - Dressed for a night on the town, Serena Williams was all business in her first match in 4 1/2 weeks.

Williams strode into Arthur Ashe Stadium wearing kneehigh black boots, a denim miniskirt, a studded black tank top and dangling earrings. A far cry from the tennis attire of days gone by, to be sure, but then again, Williams' powerful strokes bear little resemblance to the way the women's game used to be played.

Showing little sign of her injury-induced layoff, the twotime U.S. Open champion advanced to the second round with ease, overwhelming Sandra Kleinova of the Czech Republic 6-1, 6-3 Monday night.

"I performed at a decent level today. I'm finally getting to a

point where I'm actually playing better and focusing better,' Williams said.

A few moments later, asked who her biggest threat in the tournament is, Williams replied: 'Myself. I can make it or break it.

She might have been dressed for a cocktail party or MTV's Video Music Awards, which she attended last year while skipping the Open shortly after left knee surgery.

Her play Monday was definitely Grand Slam-caliber, though, a step above what fellow major champions Jennifer Capriati, **Roger Federer and Carlos Moya** showed in shaky victories earlier on Day 1. At night, 1999 Open runner-up Todd Martin lost the final match of his career, announcing his retirement after being beaten by No. 31 Fabrice Santoro 4-6, 6-4, 6-4, 7-5.



Serena Williams hits a shot at the U.S. Open Monday.

Only one man in the draw is older than Martin, by a matter of months: Andre Agassi, 34, who followed Williams on center court to play Robby Ginepri.

Williams said her choice of denim was inspired by Agassi; who wore shorts made of that material back in the early 1990s

"Her outfit? I tried not to look

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at it," said Kleinova, who wore a navy skirt and white shirt. "It's her style. She always wears something special.'

Her play was special, too. Williams, seeded No. 3, finished with a remarkable 35-3 edge in winners and saved the only break point she faced with one of her seven aces. That serve was clocked at 108 mph, and she reached 123 mph with another.

"Her serving was pretty good. If she places it really well, like she did tonight, it's hard to return — even for guys,' Kleinova said.

Williams said last week she's at 90 to 95 percent, working her way back since pulling out of a tournament at Carlsbad, Calif., in late July because of soreness in her left knee. Williams also missed the Olympics, deciding not to go only hours before the U.S. tennis team's flight to Greece.

NCAA FOOTBALL

Miami's Rolle hopes ACC will be more challenging

Associated Press

CORAL GABLES, Fla. - Miami cornerback Antrel Rolle hopes a new conference will bring new challengers

It would be a welcome change from the Big East, where teams rarely threw Rolle's way the last two seasons - and for good

reason.

The 6-foot-1, 200-pound defender has become one of the nation's best cornerbacks. He has the size and strength to jam receivers at the line and the speed to run with them down the field. He could have left school early for the NFL but returned for his senior season

and will anchor No. 6 Miami's revamped defense.

He thinks the decision, coupled with the Hurricanes' move to the Atlantic Coast Conference, could give him more opportunities to make plays.

"Maybe teams will try me and feel they can get something my way," said Rolle, one of four returning starters on defense. "I hope so. Then I can prove them wrong.

Miami begins the season next Monday night against No. 5 Florida State at the Orange Bowl. It's the teams' third meeting in 11 months, so the Seminoles are well aware of Rolle's ability. When they played in January, P.K. Sam caught a 10-yard pass against Rolle on the Seminoles' first offensive play, then didn't have a reception the rest of the way.

Rolle was nearly as good against Pittsburgh's Larry Fitzgerald last season, helping hold the nation's top receiver to three catches for 26 yards and a meaningless late touchdown. Rolle wasn't covering Fitzgerald on the scoring play.

"People not only can't throw against him, but they almost refuse to throw his way because he's such a terrific lock-down corner," Miami coach Larry Coker said. "He's been almost unbeatable the last two seasons.

Rolle hasn't given up a touchdown since the 2002 opener against Florida A&M, a 25-game streak.

The Hurricanes, meanwhile, haven't allowed a 100-yard receiver since Penn State's Bryant Johnson caught six passes for 149 yards and a touchdown in Miami's 33-7 opening victory in 2001. That's 37 games since a receiver eclipsed the century mark.

They led the nation in passing defense in 2001, ranked second in 2002 and were back on top last season when they gave up 143.5 yards a game.

Some of that can be attributed to Rolle.

"Once he gets his hands on you, it's pretty much over," teammate Kelly

Jennings said. "That's the key to him. This year, everybody will see what he can do."

Rolle played the last two seasons in the shadow of safety Sean Taylor, an All-American who led the nation in 2003

with 10 interceptions, including three returned for touchdowns. Rolle had two interceptions and seven pass breakups.

"I really don't know much about the ACC, but I'm looking for a tougher schedule and more competition," he said. "I'm looking for more balls coming my way. I love challenges.

Rolle was arrested in July in the Miami neighborhood of Coconut Grove on two misdemeanor charges of resisting arrest and disorderly conduct and on a felony charge of battery on a law enforcement officer. Not only was Rolle suspended from the team, but he had to face his father, the chief of police in Homestead.

"There's not a single day that goes by that I don't think about it," Rolle said. "To be arrested and be in handcuffs in front of

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Antrel Rolle

Miami cornerback

my father, that was a terrible experience for me. That's something I never want to face again.'

Prosecutors chose not to file formal charges. The state attorney investigated the complaint and

decided that the physical contact between Rolle and the officer was "merely incidental." Coker reinstated Rolle the same

day. "Someone's going to pay for it, and I know it's going to be the opponents on the other side of the field," Rolle said. "They're going to pay for what I felt every single day. Someone's going to feel my hurt, someone's going to





Mlami cornerback Antrel Rolle returns a punt for a touchdown last season against Louisiana Tech.



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NFL

Hurting Colts just looking for healthy bodies

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Dominic **Rhodes and Gilbert Gardner** watched Monday's practice at the Colts complex, but at least they were around. The same could not be said of Joseph Jefferson or James Mungro.

Just two days after defeating Buffalo 30-17, Indianapolis quickly expanding injury list was clouding the decisions Colts coach Tony Dungy must make this week.

"It will be interesting," Dungy said of the team's cuts. "It's thrown some monkey wrenches in there.'

The Colts have to trim their roster to 65 by Tuesday afternoon and have to be down to 53 players by Sunday afternoon.

With the mounting injuries, the Colts' aren't just evaluating their own players - they're also looking for replacements.

The Colts have now lost their

top three returners and two key backup running backs in the last two weeks.

It started with Troy Walters' broken arm Aug. 21 against the New York Jets. Dungy said last week that Walters, the team's top punt returner and a key receiver, would miss at least three months.

The Colts (2-1) left Saturday's game in far worse shape.

Rhodes, Edgerrin James' backup, ran 15 times for 58 yards against Buffalo but sprained his left ankle. He showed up for Monday's practice in a walking boot. Dungy said Rhodes may play Friday night at Cincinnati although he would be limited.

James Mungro, Rhodes' backup, left Saturday's game early with a wrist injury, and the team was still waiting Monday for MRI results before saying how much time he would miss. Wide receiver Brad Pyatt, the

Colts kickoff returner last season, sustained a deep thigh bruise that was so severe, he spent Saturday and Sunday night in a hospital. Dungy said he was released Monday and could miss up to six weeks. Rhodes replaced him on kickoffs Saturday night.

Dungy said the spate of injuries will force him to look at the waiver wire for reinforcements before the season opener Sept. 9 at New England.

"I would say anyone who has returned in the NFL and has explosiveness is a possibility,' Dungy said.

Dungy also has not decided which running back will start in Friday night's preseason finale.

James is not scheduled to play, and if Rhodes or Mungro can't go, the Colts would be left with three undrafted free agents — Ran Carthon, Daniel Davis and Carey Davis - and second-year fullback Tom Lopienski.

But the injuries haven't just hurt the offense and special teams

Gardner, a linebacker taken in the third round, has a sprained right ankle and hasn't practiced since Aug. 20.

The Colts are unsure when he'll return.



Colts tight end Bryan Fletcher recovers a blocked punt for a touchdown in front of Bills safety Izell Reese in a Colts win Saturday.

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Patriots have easier ride

Associated Press

New England's chances of winning the AFC East again certainly improved when it acquired Corey Dillon to be the heavy-duty running back the Patriots haven't had since Curtis Martin left after the 1997 sea-

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After winning two Super Bowls in three seasons, New England was set to enter the season as the AFC East favorite in any case, probably a good bet to become only the second team to win three Super Bowls in four years.

But it certainly didn't hurt when, in short order, Miami lost running back Ricky Williams to retirement, wide receiver David Boston to a knee injury and was forced to trade defensive end Adewale Ogunleye after failing to reach an agreement on a contract. That left the Dolphins, projected as the second-best team in the division, facing the prospect of their first losing season since 1988.

The New York Jets and Buffalo figure to be respectable, but aren't close to the Patriots.

The last time it won the Super

Bowl, after the 2001 season, New England slumped to 9-7 and missed the playoffs.

That's not likely this time ---coach Bill Belichick, who continues to mix veteran role players and youngsters, just won't permit it. And Belichick and personnel director Scott Pioli draft wonderfully, with six rookies playing a major role last season. There's no reason to think this year's class, led by 330-plus pound nose tackle Vince Wilfork won't be almost as good.

It starts for the Patriots, of course, with Tom Brady, the sixth-round draft pick in 2000 who has been the MVP in New England's two Super Bowl victories, both won on last-second field goals by Adam Vinatieri. Brady has become a facsimile of his boyhood idol, Joe Montana, a quarterback with seemingly unspectacular physical skills who does nothing but win.

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Sounds simple. But very few other teams can do it that way.

And this season, they have Dillon, disgruntled in Cincinnati but happy to be with a winner, to put even more pressure on defenses. He was relegated to backup duty last year, but had never failed to gain more than 1,000 yards in his first six NFL seasons despite playing on one of the NFL's worst teams.

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7	Georgetown	9-19	42
8	Rutgers	11-17	40
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NASCAR



An emotional Rusty Wallace looks on during a presentation at the Daytona International Speedway. The Nascar legend announced Monday that he would retire after the 2005 season.

Nascar legend ready to stop driving

Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. ---NASCAR driver Rusty Wallace will retire after the 2005 season, saying he is concerned about getting hurt and wants to leave at the top of his game. His decision was influenced by the death of rival Dale Earnhardt in a Daytona 500 crash in 2001.

"It kind of got to me," Wallace said Monday at a news conference at the Daytona International Speedway complex. "It made me feel nervous. It made me think hard about it."

The 48-year-old Wallace

has won 55 races. He made his NASCAR debut in 1980 and has won almost every major race except the Daytona 500.

"This is my last shot at the Daytona 500," Wallace said. "The Daytona 500 is still the granddaddy of them all. It's the race I haven't won and I'm going to try my darndest to win it.

Wallace, who drives for Penske Racing South, intends to stay in racing as a team owner and mentor for younger drivers after he retires. Brothers Mike and Kenny and 17-year-old son Stephen are drivers. Stephen Wallace was hospitalized overnight last week

after crashing at Bristol Motor Speedway during the Hooters Pro Cup Race.

Rusty Wallace also owns a Busch team and recently hired Jamie McMurray to drive for him. McMurray is rumored to be the replacement for Wallace in 2006, but currently drives for Chip Ganassi.

Wallace also plans to do TV commercials tied to his corporate sponsorships with Miller Brewing Co. and other companies.

"It's hard for a great driver to say, 'Look, it's time,"" said Roger Penske, majority owner of Penske Racing South. "But I think that's the position of a great driver to say 'I know when it's time for me to move on.""

Wallace became a fulltime competitor on the circuit in 1984, when he was rookie of the year. He claimed the series national driving title in 1989 and finished runner-up for the championship in 1988 and 1993. His most recent victory was in April in Martinsville, Va.

"It's time. I feel it," Wallace said, referring to his retirement decision. "I know I'm doing the right thing and I feel good about it.'

Wallace is the first veteran driver to announce such plans.

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pick finally signs Colts' first contract

INDIANAPOLIS — Safety Bob Sanders wants to show the Indianapolis Colts what he can do. He's still waiting.

Sanders, the Colts' top draft pick, finally reported to practice Monday after ending a month-long holdout by signing what is believed to be a fouryear deal. But Sanders did not participate in any drills and is likely to sit out even more practices.

'We have to see where he is and how he goes," coach Tony Dungy said. "I think he's going to do some drill work with [strength coach] Jon Torine and when Jon is happy with that, he'll do some team work. Then when [secondary coach] Alan [Williams] is happy with that, it will be game work."

Sanders had hoped to start making impressions before Monday — four weeks after his teammates reported

Winds domínate U.S. Open NEW YORK — For good or bad, tennis players' fortunes change as quickly as the direction of the swirling wind at the U.S. Open.

Just ask major champions Jennifer Capriati, Roger Federer and Carlos Moya, who all dealt with shaky starts Monday before winning first-round matches. Or ask Mario Ancic and Karolina Sprem, who marked themselves as stars-to-be at Wimbledon but were one-and-done at the next Grand Slam.

Frustrated by a strong breeze, her opponent's superb play and her own miscues, Capriati trailed 54th-ranked Denise Chladkova by a set, then put together a 2-6, 6-1, 6-2 victory.

"It was a little bit scary there in the beginning," the eighth-seeded Capriati said. "I had to make some adjustments, trying to find my range a little bit, and the wind was pretty difficult. One side, you would hit the ball, and it seemed like it would go

couldn't get it past the service line." Indiana close to naming new athletic director

Indiana INDIANAPOLIS University President Adam Herbert has narrowed the search for a new athletics director and could name someone within a week.

Search committee chairman Ken Beckley said Monday that Herbert was focusing on one person, although he declined to identify the candidate.

"As soon as we talk to them (references) and the president is sure he is satisfied with what he hears, I'm sure we'll have an announcement," Beckley said. "I think it will be within seven days.'

Herbert announced in May that Terry Clapacs would return to his primary role as vice president for administration. Clapacs spent the last 21 months doing double duty after being named interim athletics director in November 2002.

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Associated Press

EAGLE, Colo. — Prospective jurors in the Kobe Bryant rape case were asked their feelings on racial prejudice, interracial relationships, marital infidelity and justice for the rich and famous in an 82-item questionnaire released Monday.

The potential jurors filled out the surveys Friday, and lawyers began questioning them individually behind closed doors Monday after Judge District Terry Ruckriegle rejected a request to let the media listen in.

Ruckriegle said he wanted the prospective jurors to feel they could answer questions about potentially embarrassing topics without scrutiny from the media. He said the prospective jurors' right to pri-

vacy and Bryant's right to a a fine of up to \$750,000. fair trial outweigh the First Amendment right of access.

Bryant, 26, who appeared at the courthouse Monday, has pleaded not guilty "It probably has more to do to felony with what one side anticipates

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CLAIBE KELLEY/The Observe Quarterback Brady Quinn looks to pass in practice last week. Quinn is looking forward to leading the Irish against BYU.

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lights during coach Tyrone Willingham's first two years at Notre Dame.

With so much time before kickoff, Quinn said it's important to have a routine.

'We make sure we're not sleeping in too late so you're not having a drowsy day," the second-year quarterback said. 'Make sure you're getting up [and] moving around. Try to make it like any other day where you have to get up and maybe go to a practice later in the day. We just try to get up, get food in your system, get moving around and get ready for the game at night.'

Linebacker Mike Goolsby said it's critical for the Irish not to overlook BYU, with Michigan on the schedule for Sept. 11, and focus on playing well in the first game of the season.

"I think one of the biggest things overall is that were taking everything one step at a time," Goolsby said. "We [have to] get that first win under our belt then take it from there. The biggest message is not taking anything for granted and taking everything one step at a time. ... [Then] you can gauge where you're at."

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Linebacker Derek Curry goes through drills last week. Curry and his fellow linebackers will be a strength of the Irish defense.



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Linebacker Mike Goolsby practices last week. Goolsby is healthy after breaking his collarbone in a 2003 Bookstore Basketball game.

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FOOTBALL

Grant, Goolsby healthy for BYU

By JOE HETTLER Sports Writer

Ryan Grant and Mike Goolsby are just thankful they are finally healthy in time for Notre Dame's first game of the season.

"It's been pretty frustrating.

Anytime you got out there and watch the guys,' Grant said about his injured hamstring. "But at the same time, it's the nature of the game. It's nice that it happened at a time now, where I have a chance to heal.'

Grant hurt the hamstring on a

one lift away from getting my 100 percent strength back. I've pushed it. I've ran. I've been doing the drills. I'm just ready to get back out there and put the pads back on. I'm just excited.

Grant also said he didn't want to rush back and reinjure the hamstring and then miss even more

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> Ryan Grant running back

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Goolsby is also healthy and ready to go for this weekend. He broke his collarbone during a Bookstore Basketball game in the spring of 2003 and missed the entire season. Goolsby is slated to start at one of the linebacker positions.

"It feels good, it feels refreshing," Goolsby said. "I've been waiting for this for a long time.'

Goolsby didn't think he had an exceptional spring camp, but said he feels better after fall practices.

"Going into camp, I kind of told myself to let the whole injury thing go and kind of start over," Goolsby said. "It's been a much better [fall] camp compared to the spring. Personally, I feel a lot more comfortable with myself."

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breakaway run during the early part of the second week of practice. But Grant said he's ready for Saturday.

"I'm probably like 95 percent now," he said. "I think I'm

we've been playing so well in camp and practice. I know that I'm not helping the team playing injured so I want to take care of myself before I get back on the field."

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◆ Goolsby should be a key component of Notre Dame's defense this season. In 2002, he started all 13 games and recorded 75 tackles and four sacks. Goolsby was also named to the preseason Butkus Award List last year before his injury.

◆ Many forget that Grant had an outstanding sophomore season behind a very solid offense line.

Grant rushed for 1,085 yards and nine touchdowns before seeing his carries limited in 2003. Grant still managed 510 yards on 143 carries last season and had five scores.

Travis Thomas and Marcus Wilson will back up Grant. Thomas was redshirted in 2003, while Wilson averaged 2.6 yards per carry in limited carries.

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Freshmen

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[Allen] and their athletic ability," McGraw said.

Gaines, a North Las Vegas, Nev., native, brings the Irish defense that they will miss with the departure of guard Monique Hernandez. The 5foot-6 guard averaged 20.5 points, 4 assists, 3.8 steals and 3.6 rebounds in her senior season.

D'Amico will provide the already-deep

Irish with another threat on the low post. The 6foot-5 forward/center averaged 20.7 points per game in high school. D'Amico, who is the tallest player on the Irish roster, is

a versatile post player, and McGraw is high on her talent.

"I really think she will press for some playing time early,' McGraw said of D'Amico. "She can sit back and learn from Courtney [LaVere] and Teresa [Borton]. We're anxious for her to be ready. They really have been helping her. They're both very, very interested in helping Melissa learn the sys-

tem." All three freshmen were on campus for the summer, and they got the chance to get to know their teammates. D'Amico said the senior Borton has been especially helpful.

"I think the competition is really good," she said after the team picture. "I have to work really hard if I want to play. Teresa's helped me a lot. I work with her in individuals.

It's been a great experience. They're a great group, they're really talented. I'm really happy with the choice I made.' And while D'Amico is learning by working with one sen-

ior, Allen has been playing against another one - All-American Jacqueline Batteast.

"She's everything I thought she was when I watched her on TV," Allen said of the forward she guarded frequently this summer. "I really like watching her, because she's just so quick and long. You play against better competition, that only

helps you." And Allen has already begun excited about Tulyah to adjust to the [Gaines] and Charel college game. "The game's a little more physical and a little faster, but I expect that because going

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Muffet McGraw Irlsh coach

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is a different level." she said.

But she doesn't know what she will bring to the team just yet

"I'll let Coach decide that," she said with a smile.

Meanwhile, Gaines has to wait a bit until she gets on the court again. She had arthroscopic knee surgery Friday.

'It supposed to be six weeks," she said of the recovery time.

And while she's waiting to get back on the court, her teammates will be showing her the way.

"I think the veterans of this team feel it's their team, McGraw said. "We are counting on the veterans to lead us. They see it as their job to get them oriented to the system."

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CLUB SPORTS

Moran, Irish rout Earlham 10-1

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame's field hockey club traveled to Richmond, Ind., Saturday, for their season opener against Earlham College, an NČAA Division III varsity program.

After battling to a 1-1 tie at the end of the first period, the Irish exploded for seven goals in the second period on their way to routing Earlham 10-1.

Kaitlin Moran's three goals spearheaded a balanced attack as Lauren Brinkman, Meredith Gluck and Rebecca Mosca each scored twice for the Irish.

Molly Fox tallied another goal. Gluck, Eleanor Bradley, Mosca and Mary Davis were credited with assists, and goalie Leigh Madeira registered six saves.

"I was really excited to play an NCAA recognized team to see how we measure up to a D-III school," said captain Katie Butler. "As a non-varsity sport, we've only



Irish players battle for possession of the ball against Earlham in Richmond, Ind. in Saturday's 10-1 victory.

played other clubs recently, so this game was extremely important to us. We started off a little slow because of our lack of practice together, but after the first period we

knew what we had to change and then did it. I'm very happy with our performance and hope we can continue this success throughout the vear.

Boland

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evident right away.

"We thought as a freshman that she was the best player we had that season," Waldrum said. "We were ranked No. 2 at that time and she scored the first goal of the season for us."

After her early success, she quickly encountered trouble as



She returned in October only to suffer a season-ending ankle injury. While most would dwell on their misfortunes, Boland viewed the injury as a learning experience.

"It was incredibly frustrating to suffer from that downfall, but it teaches you that you cannot give up, and it puts things into perspective," Boland said. "You still are apart of a great program and that there are other things you can bring to the team."

This year Boland was voted a tri-captain for her presence on and off the field. Waldrum praised Boland for her dedication and team-oriented attitude.

"She was chosen as captain because she has the support of the underclassman," Waldrum said. "She is great individually, can

keep everybody on team focused and sets a great

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Mary Boland passes the ball in a game last season.

throughout the past three seasons, they have not inhibited her style of play and passion for the sport.

"She is just nonstop, she "She was chosen as never stops captain because she chasing or puthas the

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Tuesday, August 31, 2004

Sports

FOOTBALL

Back under the lights

Irish looking forward to starting season against BYU

By JOE HETTLER Sports Writer

Saturday can't come soon enough for Notre Dame.

After three weeks of fall camp, which started Aug. 10, the Irish began their first game week practice

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The Irish did not practice Monday, which is usual during a game week.

The team will practice today, Wednesday and Thursday before leaving Friday morning for Provo, Utah. Once out west, the Irish will have a walkthrough Friday before Saturday night's 8:15 EST kickoff on ESPN.

After practicing and scrimmaging against each other, Notre Dame's players are eager to face a real opponent.

'The spring game was nice and all with the scrimmages and practices and whatnot but your working against the same team," Irish quarterback Brady Quinn said. "So it's going to be

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fun to get out there and play against another team and see how well you've improved since last season."

Notre Dame also opens on the road for the first time since a 2001 27-10 loss against Nebraska. The Irish did beat Maryland at the neutral site of Giants Stadium 22-0 in 2002. "People kind of look at away

games as a big disadvantage, but [I think] it's just more fun, Quinn said. "I like having more pressure put on you [and] having more odds against you.'

Quinn said his experience as a freshman — playing in road games against Michigan and Purdue — has prepared him for BYU's environment.

'It's completely different playing an away game in college than it was high school," Quinn said. "I know what to expect now. You get out there early, and [the fans] are heckling you a lot."

The Irish are 97-13-5 all-time in opening games and have won 15 of their last 17 first games. Notre Dame is also 28-6-2 in their 36 road opening contests.

Besides being on the road, the Irish also must deal with a nationally-televised night game. The Irish are 3-1 under the

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CLEMENT SUHENDRA/The Observer Linebacker Corey Mays makes a cut during practice last week. Mays will compete for playing time this season.

Boland healthy and ready to captain Irish Irish forward has suffered knee and ankle injuries through her career

By DAN TAPETILLO Sports Writer

Mary Boland's college career did not begin when she was recruited by the Irish four years ago. It began at the age of 16.

just represented something that I knew I wanted to be a part of. It is a program of excellence." To Boland, Notre Dame

was the perfect school.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL Freshmen will make impact on squad

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By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN Sports Editor

One was the 2004 Gatorade Nevada Player of the Year, another scored 39 points in one game as a freshman in high school and the other

roamed the courts of 🦿 Long Island, N According to coach Muffet McGraw, the freshman trio of Charel Allen, Tulyah



Allen Gaines and Melissa D'Amico could bring more than just depth to this year's Irish.

"I think all three freshmen

can contribute,' McGraw said. "I'm said. really excited about this class." It is a class that was ranked No. 13 in the nation



D'Amico by

Blue Star Index. Each player averaged over 20 points per game in her senior season.

Allen, who hails from Monessen,

Pa., averaged 26.1 points, 10.5 rebounds, 5 assists and 6.4 steals per game in her final season. The 5f o o t - 1 1



Gaines

guard was named first-team all-state three years in a row, and Street & Smith honorable mention All-American all four years at Monessen High School. This included her freshman year, when Allen scored 39 points in a postseason game, a conference record. Allen, ranked No. 27 by Blue Star Index, should compete for playing time this season, along with fellow guard Gaines. "We're really excited about Tulyah [Gaines] and Charel





Forward Mary Boland takes a break In Sunday's win over Eastern Illinois.

Boland Field, and she knew there was no other future choice. "I got chills when I put on that jersey," Boland said. "It countries such as Holland

soccer pro-gram," Boland I put on that to see jersey." world." said. She got her start in soccer at **Mary Boland** ing from her the age of seven soccer journey Irish forward around and had the opportunity to play for the U-19 women's world, Boland quickly joined the Irish the summer prior to her freshnational team. The program gave Boland man year. Irish head coach Randy the experience to play against international teams Waldrum said her talent was and allowed her to visit other

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