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Donnelly tries to drum up campus support

Effect change, ND grad tells students

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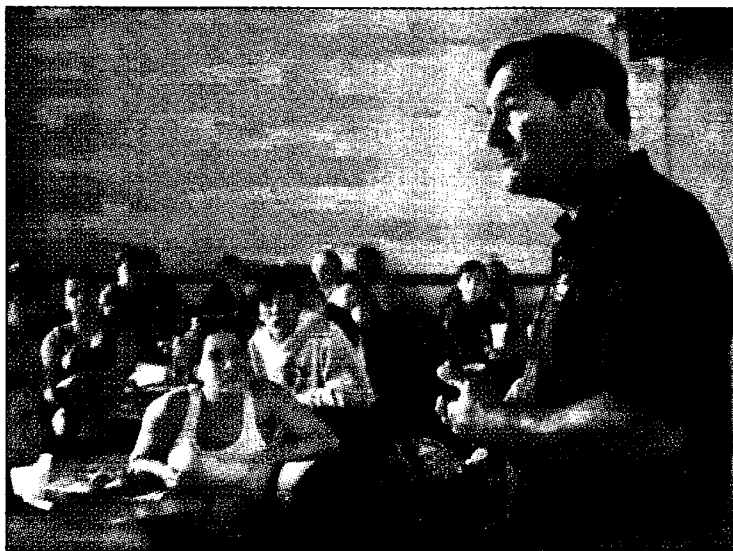
With the days until the national election ticking down and races across the country heating up, double Domer Joe Donnelly, the democratic candidate for Congress in Indiana's Second Congressional District, visited campus Sunday night to speak about his goals for the country and to encourage political activism among students at Notre Dame.

Donnelly, who graduated from the University in 1977 and from the Notre Dame Law

School in 1981, is currently engaged in what he called a "razor-close race" with Republican incumbent Chris Chocola, to whom he lost in the 2004 election 55 percent to 45 percent. The race has been singled out for national attention by The New York Times, which used an attack ad employed by Chocola as an example of the trend in negative political campaigning.

Sponsored by the Notre Dame College Democrats (NDCD), the event drew almost 50 interested audience members to LaFortune — the majority of whom were students involved with the NDCD. Helen Adeosun, co-president of the

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DUSTIN MENNELA/The Observer
Congressional candidate Joe Donnelly speaks to students on the importance of political activism and his own political goals.

Fans bear weather in victory

Early scoring, unique plays excite crowd

By PATRICK CASSIDY
News Writer

A week after its euphoric come-from-behind victory in East Lansing, the Irish football team returned home Saturday to face the Purdue Boilermakers in Notre Dame Stadium — and over 80,000 people were on hand to watch.

Fans like freshman Aileen Villarreal enjoyed the contest, despite the less heralded competition this weekend.

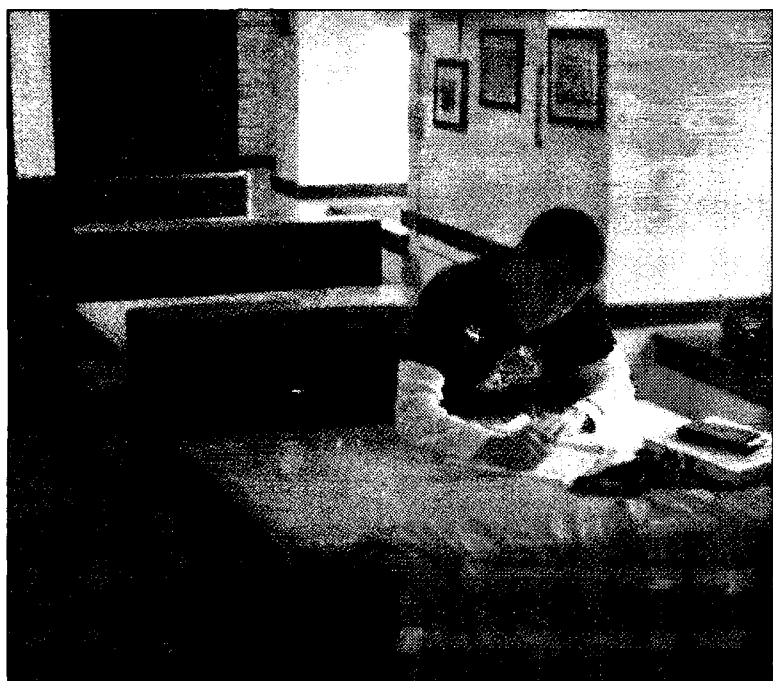
"This was a very important game for the students and fans," Villarreal said. "I think the fans came out pumped because of the heart the players showed last week."

The team gave the fans what they wanted right from the beginning, scoring a touchdown on their initial drive for the first time all season. The play calling for the Irish included some trickery as freshman receiver George West scored on an 11-yard reverse play. This decision would just be a precursor to an even more pivotal trick play by head coach Charlie Weis, a Jeff Samardzija fake field goal from five yards out.

"I love Charlie Weis' aggressive play calling," freshman Patrick Duffey said. "He has great confidence in his players and whether it is a fourth down attempt or a fake special teams' play, he has the guts to do it."

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Dorm changes uphold tradition



TOM FOLEY/The Observer
Sophomore Evan Liu studies in a former LaFortune booth relocated to Yaz's restaurant in the basement of Morrissey Manor.

Goal is to create more space for students, not luxury housing

By JOE PIARULLI
Assistant News Editor

Students at DePaul University in Chicago might just be laughing at Notre Dame right now.

No, they didn't beat any Irish sports teams or outperform Notre Dame students academically. But they might be laughing at Notre Dame because of what they have that Notre Dame students don't — in-room bathrooms and kitchens. Or maybe because of their tanning and hair salons. Or perhaps it's just their satellite television service, their designer furni-

ture and available personal maid and grocery services.

Compared to such luxurious housing, Notre Dame's dorms can start to look like Walkmen among iPods. But for now, the University is tuning out the laughs — Notre Dame likes its older dorms, and the only changes planned for soon-to-be-constructed residence halls are of the spatial variety, said Jeff Shoup, the director of the Office of Residence Life and Housing (ORLH).

ORLH recently established a committee to discuss the future of residential life and decide what kind of campus living environment is best for Notre Dame.

"There are all kinds of places that have things like climbing walls and hot tubs ... but I think everyone on the committee believed that we

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Racers compete to fight cancer

By MAGGIE DUNN
News Writer

Almost 200 runners and walkers sweated through the 13th annual Saint Mary's Oktoberfest 5K run/3K walk to help raise money for breast cancer Sunday afternoon.

The event's 186 participants — ranging from Saint Mary's cross-country runners to breast cancer survivors themselves — raised approximately \$3,650 for the cause. While everyone walked or ran to raise money and awareness, many also had personal reasons.

"My boyfriend's mom was diagnosed with breast cancer when we were both in high

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GRETCHEN MOORE/The Observer
Chelsea Foote, Katie White, Audra Maxbauer and Tina Pales lead racers at the start of the annual Oktoberfest 5K run/3K walk.

Brazil week promotes cultural awareness

Organizers to screen video, stage concerts

By COLLEEN SHULA
News Writer

A film viewing, a social hour and concerts headline Notre Dame's third annual Brazil week, an event beginning today that's meant to celebrate Brazilian culture and encourage a greater appreciation of it.

"It's a very lively culture that draws a lot of people," said Juliana de Sousa Solis, a member of the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, who helped plan and

organize the week.

Events run from Monday through Thursday and begin with a showing of the movie "Favela Rising" on Monday night. The film, which has won 24 national and international film festival awards, documents social revolutionary Anderson Sá as he rallies against the violent oppression in his Rio de Janeiro community. Irene Rizzini, visiting chair in the Study of Brazilian Culture, will introduce the film and will lead a discussion

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INSIDE COLUMN

Woe is the castigated smoker

Perhaps it is just my own personal background, but I had never been exposed to true prejudice in my life, at least not until I came here to Notre Dame. Recently, though, I have become aware that I myself am part of a minority group here that suffers great persecution at the hands of others.

Phil Hudelson

Photographer

I am a smoker.
At a school that is constantly trying to become more diverse, it always amazes me that so many people can be so closed-minded about something. As a smoker, it is rare to go more than a day without at least one person telling me how awful my habit is and list a plethora of reasons for me to quit.
I find it hard to believe that there are many people in the country today who are unaware of the risks and consequences of smoking. After all, it is hard to ignore the flood of anti-smoking propaganda in every form of media. Every smoker knows the inherent risks, and has made a choice to keep smoking in spite of them. So when a random passerby feels it necessary to criticize my lifestyle choices, it leaves me dumbfounded and with no response ... besides to light another cigarette, of course.
If this were the only problem I ran into as a smoker, I realize I would not have much to complain about. The real problem, though, is not as simple as having to face dirty looks from people I don't know. Rather, it is the fact that my rights are slowly being taken away from me by the government that is supposed to protect them. There is a public smoking ban in place already in St Joe County, and in my hometown of Columbus, Ohio, as well. On the ballot this November will be a proposal to make all public places in Ohio smoke-free.

The real issue here is not clean air for non-smokers, but the rights of every smoker in Ohio, as well as the owners of every sort of business and establishment throughout the state. There has never been a law saying that non-smokers must patronize a restaurant that allows smoking, and there has likewise never been a law forcing the owners of businesses to accommodate smokers. But now businesses are in danger of losing their rights, and so are smokers.
Should you ever have the chance to vote on the issue yourself, remember, even though I smoke, I am still a person. As November approaches, I can only pray and hope that I will not have to spend the rest of my life as a social pariah because of the prejudice of others.
With any luck, my rights will be saved, and the tobacco ban will go up in smoke.

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The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

CORRECTIONS

Due to an editing error, the story "ND course material put online" in the Sept. 28 edition of The Observer did not mention Terri Bays, director of the OpenCourseWare project.
The Observer regrets the error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CHEER TO DO AT FOOTBALL GAMES?



Kim Kyrouac
freshman
Walsh

"Doing the jig, at least until I fell off the bleachers."



Rebecca Mendoza
sophomore
Lewis

"The one the band plays after a sack, because the whole soccer team goes crazy for it."



Molly McGowen
freshman
Breen-Phillips

"I love the push-ups, as long as our score isn't getting too high."



Charlie Gardner
freshman
Knott

"Gooo Irish! Beat [someone]!"



Brett Belock
junior
Morrissey

"The 'Metallica' one, because it's just plain awesome."



Elizabeth Elliott
junior
Welsh Family

"That big, long, involved one that doesn't really have a name ..."



LAURIE HUNT/The Observer

A pumpkin adorns the outstretched finger of the "first down Moses" statue next to the Hesburgh Library Sunday — the work of an anonymous (and very tall) vandal. Sunday was the first day in October, meaning Halloween is 29 days away.

OFFBEAT

City official says sterilize bad parents

CHARLESTON, S.C. — A City Council member, reacting to a video store holdup believed to have been carried out by children, says parents who can't properly care for their kids should be sterilized.
"We pick up stray animals and spay them," Larry Shirley said in a story published Saturday by The Post and Courier of Charleston. "These mothers need to be spayed if they can't take care of theirs. Once they have a child and it's run-

ning the street, to let them continue to have children is totally unacceptable."

Shirley's comments come after police say a video store was held up by a group of children, including a 14-year-old girl suspected of wielding a BB gun that looked like a pistol.

Alleged burglar does laundry, gets pizza

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. — A burglar who made himself at home after a break-in overstayed his visit, police said.

Larcellus Angelo Scott,

23, had ordered a pizza and was doing a load of laundry Wednesday when Denise Bealeggio returned home from work.

Bealeggio, 51, arrived just as the pizza did. She turned the delivery driver away and was met inside the door by Scott.

Scott attacked, but Bealeggio was able to escape unharmed. A neighbor called police, who found Scott rummaging through Bealeggio's purse. He had written one of Bealeggio's checks to pay for the pizza.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

All are invited to a public forum, "Decade Past, Decade Future: Journalism Copes with Constant Change" which will be hosted by The Gullivan Program today at 3 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies auditorium.

Alexander Tzonis, professor and chair emeritus of architectural theory and design methods at the University of Technology of Delft, Netherlands will lecture on "The Discovery of Classical Architecture: Its Background, Principles and Civilizing Force" today at 4:30 p.m. in room 104 Bond Hall.

"Performance and Analysis – or Synthesis: Theorizing Gesture and Texture for Performers" a lecture by Dr. Robert Hatten, professor of music theory at Indiana University will take place today at 5 p.m. in room 115 of the Crowley Hall of Music.

All students are invited to attend an informational meeting on funded internships available in Latin America, Africa and the United States. Summer 2006 interns will speak about their experiences and answer questions. The meeting will take place in C-103 of the Hesburgh Center at 6:30 p.m.

There will be a public screening of "The Unforgiven" with a question and answer session with director Yoon Jong-Bin at 7 p.m. today in Browning Theatre, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. All are invited, but tickets are required.

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

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Media intake scrutinized

By AMY BARKER
News Writer

The endless stream of media from a variety of sources can actually pose a problem to politics in America, Dr. John Pauley said in a talk at Saint Mary's Stapleton Lounge last week.

Chair of the Saint Mary's communication department Dr. John Pauley spoke on the complications media poses for politics in America last week at Saint Mary's Stapleton Lounge.

Entitled "What does it matter what media we consume?," the speech began with a presentation of American media and its coverage of American politics. Pauley, who chairs the communication department at Saint Mary's, compared the media of 50 years ago — when there were three major networks mainstreaming the news — to today's innumerable resources of information, which Pauley actually called a serious problem. He pointed out that anyone with an opinion can potentially publish it on the internet.

"The line between fact and opinion is continually becoming blurred," Pauley said.

Pauley also discussed the dangerous "Selected Exposure" phenomenon, which creates factions full of like-minded citizens.

"We are reaching a point where people consume the media that matches their own prejudices," he said.

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John Pauley
chair
department of
communication

For example, 86 percent of people who watched Michael Moore's "Fahrenheit 9-11" already disapproved of President George W. Bush's administration, Pauley said —

and 88 percent of Rush Limbaugh listeners already approve of President Bush.

According to Pauley, in the trend of reinforcing and reassuring, the prospect of collaborating with an opposing opinion in order to find common ground is lost. The broader the spectrum of people a person is talking to or collaborating with, the sounder their reasoning must be in order to best reach out to the audience.

"In my opinion, the net result of selected exposure pervading our environment is disheartening," he said.

Pauley moved into the

second point of his speech by defining politics as "a system for distributing scarce resources to a collective for programmatic reasons," and questioned the media's presentation of politics. For example, 33 percent of citizens switched their initial presidential vote after listening to the Howard Stern show.

"Howard Stern, Oprah, etc. are not reporters or journalists," Pauley said. "How can they be a substantial source of political information?"

He encouraged students to seek and decipher all the available information and to avoid the cultural fixation with personality, an obsession that is not a part of his political definition.

Three techniques for preventing the problem in media consumption are listening, reasoning and dialogue, Pauley said, and students should focus on "conscious consuming of political information and in fact, all information."

Saint Mary's senior Rachel Sokolowski recognizes a problem in media consumption.

"A lot of youth are influenced by the wrong outlets," she said, "and if they can't decipher between thought and opinion then we are at a loss."

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Fund created to draw profs

Special to The Observer

University of Notre Dame board chairman emeritus Donald Keough, his wife, Marilyn, and their children have made a gift to the University for an endowment in support of chaired faculty positions for scholars who are both world-class leaders in their field of expertise and demonstrate a commitment to the Catholic mission of Notre Dame.



Keough

To be called Keough-Hesburgh Professorships, in honor of Don Keough and Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president emeritus of Notre Dame, the initiative will create two chaired faculty positions and fund the University's efforts to identify and attract younger faculty and graduate students who would work with a Keough-Hesburgh professor.

"The generosity of Don Keough and his family has made an indelible difference in

the great gains of Notre Dame in recent decades, and we are deeply grateful," said Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C., the University's president. "We asked that the faculty chairs be named after Mr. Keough, a great lay leader at the University, and Father Hesburgh, a great Holy Cross priest president. These two individuals worked together on behalf of Notre Dame, and the name of these chairs expresses the fruitful collaboration between lay leaders and Holy Cross religious that has so enhanced the University."

The goal of the Keough-Hesburgh Professorships is to attract outstanding faculty members to Notre Dame who may be early or late in their careers, visiting or tenured, and traditional academic scholars or individuals whose intellectual preeminence has been demonstrated in other settings.

Thomas G. Burish, Notre Dame's provost, explained: "The two essential characteristics of those who will be appointed Keough-Hesburgh Professors are that they truly are among the best in their

area of expertise, bringing both uncommon talent and broad visibility to the University, and that they will enhance Notre Dame's Catholic character and mission. It is our preference that such individuals be Catholic themselves, able to give witness to faith in their lives as well as provide intellectual leadership in Notre Dame's Catholic mission to the University community."

Part of the gift from the Keoughs has been used to create an office under the leadership of Rev. Robert Sullivan, associate professor of history and director of the Erasmus Institute, to identify Catholic scholars who are academically suitable candidates for positions at Notre Dame.

Keough is chairman of the board of Allen & Company Inc., a New York investment banking firm. He retired as president and chief operating officer of The Coca-Cola Company in 1993 and continues as a member of the Board of Directors. A member of the University's Board of Trustees since 1978, he served as board chair from 1986 to 1991.

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TEACH WITH

Joe

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NDCD, introduced Donnelly, emphasizing his Notre Dame connections.

"[Joe Donnelly] is a double Domer, his wife was part of the University's inaugural female class, his son and daughter are both attending Notre Dame — they're really an example of an incredible Notre Dame family," Adeosun said.

Donnelly, who was late in coming from a parade in the southern part of the district, spoke first about his campaign and ideology, then opened up for the floor for questions.

His emphasis throughout was change, both the kind he said he plans on effecting if elected to Congress and the kind he encouraged students to envision — pointing to this Indiana district as the starting point for change in the country as a whole.

"This district is the microcosm of America," Donnelly said. "We want to take our country back, put it back in the hands of working families, in the hands of all Americans [...] and this Congressional seat has become, for good or bad, ground zero in this fight. We can literally change America and change the world right here."

Referring to the negative ad campaigns run by both sides in the race, Donnelly said he thought it was "the disgusting part of politics," but that he had

to engage.

"For five months I've been hit over the head by this guy [Chocola], so I had to respond [...] because negative commercials work if you don't defend yourself," he said.

Donnelly criticized the actions of the Republican-led Congress, blaming them in part for the creation of an almost \$9 trillion national debt from a projected \$5 trillion surplus in 2000.

"When Democrats gain control of the U.S. House of Representatives, you will see much more common sense and solid governing," he said. "It's all been controlled by one side, and because of that, things have spun out of control."

He said his vision is for a more responsible Congress, made up of representatives who "remember why they're there." Donnelly used Florida Representative

Mark Foley — a former co-chair of the House Caucus on Missing and Exploited Children who resigned on Sept. 29 after it was made public that he had sent sexually explicit emails and instant messages to boys under the age of 18 who were serving as Congressional pages — and Chocola, who Donnelly claimed said in 2004 that he wanted to go to Congress to "help President Bush," as examples of those who failed their constituents.

"You need to know when you look at your Congress that you can have absolute and complete confidence in them," he said.

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Joe Donnelly
congressional
candidate

Game

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The key player in the Irish victory was junior halfback Darius Walker, whose 219 all-purpose yards sparked the offense and relieved the intense pressure placed on the passing game.

"Darius Walker finally stepped it up," Anthony Bencivenga said. "If he can play like that the rest of the season, Notre Dame will be tough to beat."

Walker's glittering performance doesn't mean the entire squad is gold, though — the defense gave up almost 500 yards of total offense. The steady "kill, kill" student section defensive chant was silenced as Purdue quarterback Curtis Painter threw for nearly 400 yards, including an 88-yard touchdown pitch and catch to Selwyn Lymon.

"The defense needs to get a lot tougher," freshman Dan Mullaney said. "Hopefully our upcoming games will allow us to work out certain kinks

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Dan Mullaney
freshman

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The weather decided to reflect the dismal defensive performance, pouring on the crowd through most of the third quarter. Rain also soaked Irish fans last week in East Lansing, but that storm was more severe, said Kathleen Donahue, who attended both the Purdue and Michigan state games.

"Compared to the treacherous weather in East Lansing, this was only a light shower," she said. "It did however help to rile up the crowd even more."

Ebullient fans now await the Stanford Cardinal contest and the rest of the season with measured optimism. Freshman Brett Berceau is placing his trust in the Notre Dame quarterback.

"We are all looking forward to Brady Quinn, who is back in the Heisman race, leading us to an unblemished finish," he said.

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"They shouldn't be rubber stamps for the president."

Donnelly encouraged students in the audience to take the time over the next four weeks to help canvass for his campaign.

"We can win here, but we can't win without your help, so come put your Notre Dame skills to the test and make things happen," he said.

The candidate then took several brief questions from the audience regarding his policy toward foreign aid, health care, foreign relations with the Middle East and the genocide in Darfur.

He supported monetary foreign aid, calling it "an important part of what America is," and saying it would be easy to fund if "all the waste and non-sense" in the budget was eliminated.

And while criticizing the initial move to enter into war in Iraq, he said an immediate military pullout was not an option.

"Now we're there [in Iraq], and if we leave tomorrow it probably becomes terrorist central, in my opinion," Donnelly said. "I think we can stabilize the country, but we have to have standards or goals we're shooting for to get this done, which we don't seem to have right now."

In closing, Donnelly again asked for volunteer help, appealing to the audience as Notre Dame students.

"You say you want to be part of the Fighting Irish spirit and team — well, this is bigger than a football game gang, a lot bigger than the game against Stanford next week [...] This is your country, guys," he said. "Make it so that when you finish here, you can say one of the things you accomplished is that you got your country back."

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Run

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school," Saint Mary's junior Rocky Krivda said. "So I think this is a great opportunity to support the cause and be healthy at the same time."

Another runner, junior Kristina Ramos, noted that Sunday was "respect life" Sunday in the Catholic Church.

"It's a reminder to honor all forms of life," she said.

The top three runners and top three walkers received free T-shirts that came in donated Saks Fifth Avenue bags. The top 13 runners also received free Saks bags.

Saint Mary's softball coach Erin Sullivan, who directed the fundraiser, said prior to the event that she expected it to be more successful this year for a number of reasons. Holding the event on a Sunday instead of a Monday, as it had been for roughly the past five years, makes it easier for people to find time to come out and participate. Sullivan also pointed to the improved publicity, which she thinks generated a lot of interest.

Finally and most notably, event planners sought out corporations to sponsor the event.

The Saint Mary's Inn sponsored the whole run/walk, and Barnaby's and Factory Tile Inc. sponsored the start

and finish line. Sullivan said the corporate sponsors alone almost exceeded last year's total profit of approximately \$2,170 even before the actual fundraiser took place.

The money raised came from individual donations, the sponsors, the ten-dollar T-shirts and the raffle ticket profits. The raffle included about 20 different prizes ranging from gift certificates for local restaurants and an iTunes gift card to a fragrance basket from Saks worth over one hundred dollars and the Deluxe Nike Plus kit for runners.

All proceeds from Oktoberfest will go to the local Young Survivors breast cancer support group to help pay for various

things, such as mammograms for uninsured women between the ages of 40 and 49, or the care package that the group gives to newly diagnosed women.

Head of the Young Survivors group and breast cancer survivor Kim Zobrosky spoke at the race, explaining that the group aims to educate through awareness and support each other throughout treatment to get back to living a normal life. At the end of her speech, she thanked everyone who put together and participated in Oktoberfest.

"As someone who's been there, I truly know what your kindness means," Zobrosky said.

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Kim Zobrosky
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Young Survivors

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Coffee and Conversation

For Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Questioning Students at Notre Dame

Tuesday, October 3
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316 Coleman-Morse

The Core Council for Gay and Lesbian Students invites gay, lesbian, and bisexual members of the Notre Dame family, their friends, and supporters to an informal coffee at the Co-Mo.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Dozens feared dead in dam collapse

KANO, Nigeria — Families were swept away in a torrent of water and up to 40 people were feared dead after a dam collapsed in northwest Nigeria, a state-owned radio station said Sunday.

The dam — about one mile from the center of Zamfara state's capital city of Gusau — collapsed Saturday after heavy rains. But surveyors were trying to determine whether to blame the downpour or structural neglect.

Ibrahim Brini Magaja, a spokesman for the Zamfara state governor, said it was too early to determine why the dam did not hold up, but a construction firm had been asked to study the damage for clues.

Radio Nigeria said up to 40 people might be dead and area resident Johnson Enokola, 39, said he counted seven bodies floating in the water. Police confirmed three deaths.

Embattled Irish P.M. repays loans

DUBLIN, Ireland — Prime Minister Bertie Ahern has repaid business friends more than \$100,000 in hopes of defusing a scandal that is threatening to force him from power, officials said Sunday.

Two government officials, who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity, confirmed newspaper reports that Ahern mailed checks Friday to a dozen friends who had given him about \$65,000 in late 1993 and early 1994. Ahern did not disclose having received the money until The Irish Times newspaper on Sept. 21 reported details of the payments.

Ahern, who has led Ireland since 1997, characterized the money as an interest-bearing loan — but conceded he had not repaid any of it to his long-time friends and business acquaintances.

NATIONAL NEWS

Congress reacts to e-mail scandal

WASHINGTON — House Speaker Dennis Hastert requested Sunday that the Justice Department conduct an investigation into former Rep. Mark Foley's electronic messages to teenage boys — a lurid scandal that has put House Republicans in political peril.

"As Speaker of the House, I hereby request that the Department of Justice conduct an investigation of Mr. Foley's conduct with current and former House pages to determine to what extent any of his actions violated federal law," Hastert, R-Ill., wrote in a letter to Attorney General Alberto Gonzales.

White House counselor Dan Bartlett called the allegations against Foley shocking, but said President Bush hadn't learned of Foley's inappropriate e-mails to a 16-year-old boy and instant messages to other boys before the news broke last week.

Man allegedly killed wife, four kids

NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. — A man was charged Sunday with murdering his wife and her four children in a domestic dispute at their home, authorities said.

Michael Simmons, 41, appeared at a bond hearing via video link from the Charleston County jail on Sunday and was ordered held without bond on five counts of murder.

Officers discovered the bodies, including that of a 6-year-old, Saturday after responding to a call. According to an arrest affidavit, a witness saw the bodies in the home then called police.

LOCAL NEWS

Schools punish kids for online posts

INDIANAPOLIS — A growing number of school officials in the Indianapolis area are trying to punish students for Internet commentary they deem inappropriate — including postings on home computers — drawing outrage from teens and free-speech advocates.

One school district has warned students they are legally responsible for postings; another will vote on a similar policy this month.

"Kids look at the Internet as today's restroom wall," said Steve Dillon, director of student services for Carmel Clay Schools. "They need to learn that some things are not acceptable anywhere."

Rumsfeld faces new criticism

Secretary of Defense, under renewed fire for Iraq policies, says he will not resign

Associated Press

MANAGUA, Nicaragua — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, coming under renewed fire for his management of the Iraq war, said Sunday he is not considering resigning and said the president had called him personally in recent days to express his continued support.

Speaking to reporters en route to Nicaragua for a meeting of defense ministers, Rumsfeld said he was not surprised by reports in a new book that White House staff had encouraged President Bush to fire him after the 2004 election.

"It's the task of the chief of staff of the White House — and having been one, I know that — to raise all kinds of questions with the president and think through different ways of approaching things," Rumsfeld said. "So it wouldn't surprise me a bit if that subject had come up."

Asked by reporters if he had recently considered resigning, Rumsfeld said, "No."

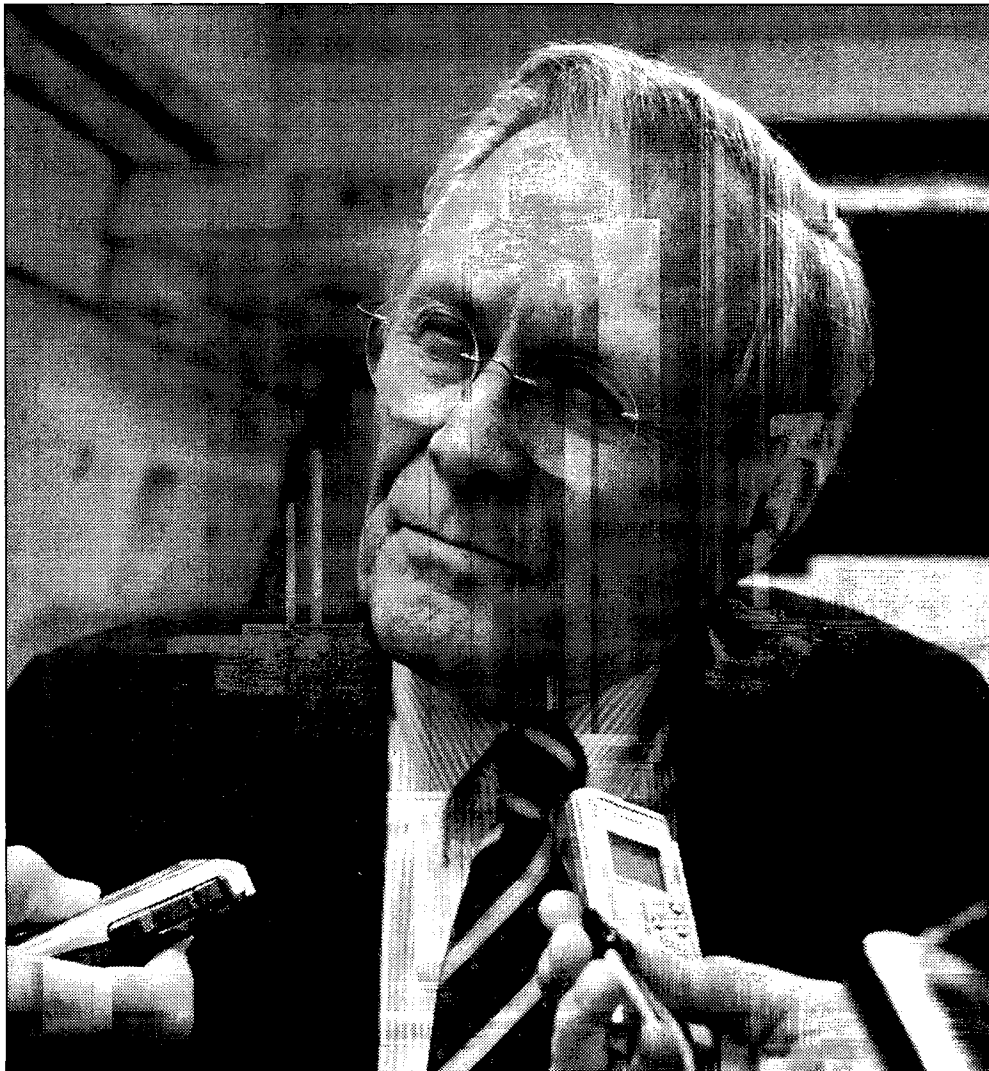
In the new book "State of Denial," Washington Post assistant managing editor Bob Woodward writes that former White House chief of staff Andrew Card twice sought to persuade Bush to fire Rumsfeld.

Card on Friday did not dispute that he had talked about a Rumsfeld resignation with the president but said it was his job to discuss a wide range of possible replacements, including his own.

Rumsfeld on Sunday also denied any rift with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and said the ongoing debate doesn't detract from his work with other international leaders.

He said he had spoken to Bush since the book's contents were made public. Bush "called me personally," said Rumsfeld, to voice support.

Rumsfeld has previously



U.S. Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld listens to a question as he speaks with reporters aboard a military aircraft Oct. 1 en route to Managua, Nicaragua.

acknowledged that he twice offered Bush his resignation, but it was not accepted.

The defense secretary and Bush have faced growing criticism for their handling of the Iraq war as violence there has escalated, U.S. casualties have mounted and public support for the conflict has declined. Fueling the debate in recent days was the release of a classified intelligence report that concluded that the Iraq war has helped fuel a new generation of extremists and increased the overall terrorist threat.

Just back from a five-day trip to the Balkan region, which included a NATO defense ministers meeting

in Slovenia, Rumsfeld arrived in Nicaragua Sunday afternoon for two days of meetings with defense officials from more than 30 South and Central American countries.

The talks here — in one of the Western Hemisphere's poorest countries — are expected to focus on counter-narcotics and counterterrorism efforts, peacekeeping missions, humanitarian and disaster relief and the removal of land mines from the region.

The meeting of the region's defense ministers follows a tense period in which Venezuela's leaders lashed out at the U.S. and President Bush during a U.N. meeting in New York

City. Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez called Bush "the devil" and slammed U.S. leaders for trying to block his country from taking a seat on the U.N. Security Council.

Rumsfeld said Sunday he did not expect to meet privately with the Venezuelan defense minister, although he will see him during the regular meeting.

U.S. officials have long considered Chavez a destabilizing force in Latin America. And they have suggested that Venezuela would make the U.N. Security Council unworkable if the nation were to win its bid against U.S.-backed Guatemala for a rotating council seat.

AFGHANISTAN

U.S. held detainees indefinitely

Associated Press

KABUL — Capt. Amanullah, a former mujahadeen commander, smooths his black beard with his palm and gives a deep and ironic laugh as he recounts his 14 miserable months in Bagram, the U.S. prison for terror suspects in Afghanistan.

"There were lots of stupid questions and accusations with no proof," said the 56-year-old veteran of combat against the Soviet occupation. He insists he was there only because Afghan rivals lied about him to the U.S. Army.

He's far from alone in his asser-

tion of innocence — or his inability to make that heard for so long. Like many who have passed through the secretive jail set up after the fall of the Taliban regime, Amanullah found himself entangled in a system where he had no protection and no rights, and not even the pressure of public scrutiny that helped inmates at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, or Abu Ghraib, Iraq.

"There's been a silence about Bagram, and much less political discussion about it," said Richard Bennett, the chief U.N. human rights officer in Afghanistan.

Originally intended as a short-term holding pen for al-Qaida and

Taliban suspects later shipped to Guantanamo, Bagram has expanded and acquired its own notoriety over abuse allegations though attracting much less international attention than the U.S. detention facility in Cuba.

The U.S. plans to turn over the Afghan nationals in its custody to the Afghan government by next summer. They will be sent to a new high-security wing at the Afghan government's main Policharki prison in Kabul — scene of repeated deadly riots and escapes in recent years. But non-Afghans currently held at Bagram will stay in U.S. custody, officials say.

Dorms

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were better off sticking to traditional kinds of things," Shoup said.

Though students are not likely to see lavish living changes, they will see improvements in the dorms — especially when new residence halls are built, which Shoup said they hope "will be in the next five or ten years."

According to Shoup, one of the biggest improvements will address the issue of tight quarters. Based on recent surveys of room size, dorms like Dillon, Alumni, Sorin, Zahm, Cavanaugh, Farley and Breen Phillips are most likely to see substantial changes.

"Once we get new residence halls ... the goal is actually to take down some of the occupancies," Shoup said. "Those are the kinds of things that [the committee] talked about as a group rather than some of the kind of amenities I'm reading about ... which to me don't seem like traditional Notre Dame things."

Although one of the goals is creating more space for dorm living, maintaining and repairing dorms continues to be a high priority.

In recent years, Dillon, Alumni and Farley have seen serious repairs. According to Shoup, ORLH is always looking at what repairs and changes are necessary. He's heard the rumors about Morrissey being considered one of the worst dorms in America, but is confident that Notre Dame is working forward.

"A lot of people are coming into college who have never shared a room, and we put them into kind of a tight space," he said. "It's something that we're aware of and hope to fix in the next few years."

Shoup said the number of students moving off campus has been consistent in the past few years, but he believes the benefits of the new dorms may lead to more students staying on campus.

"Right now we're just trying to make the residence halls more livable," he said. "If that means more people stay on then that's great, if more people move off then that would be their choice."

Architecturally, Shoup said the new buildings will be designed with a gothic style — in the model of Zahm or Alumni.

"I don't know that there's going to be significant amenities or luxuries in new buildings — I think our goal would be that there would be lots of different room sizes," he said.

A variety of room sizes would allow upperclassmen to obtain better rooms, perhaps even some with bathrooms, Shoup said.

The system of progressing to bigger rooms is not unknown at Notre Dame — in fact, it is somewhat similar to the system for football tickets in which older students sit closer to midfield — but Shoup said he hopes the system becomes more pronounced.

Though new dorms may seem to be on a higher level in terms of standards of living, Shoup said the pricing system would not change.

Right now there are only two possible rates, the difference being between singles

and other occupancies.

Shoup said he is still surprised to find that most incoming students seem to want to live in older dorms.

"It's still one of those things that ... if we let students pick, they're still saying Sorin, Alumni, Dillon, Morrissey," he said. "Every once in a while somebody will say 'well I have bad allergies, I really would prefer air conditioning.'"

Sophomore Michael Lammie said he understands why students feel this way.

"The dorms have so much tradition — they're sources of pride," he said. "Obviously it would be nice to have all those luxuries, but Notre Dame doesn't really need all that."

"I'd be worried that the dorms would lose their characters and just become glorified hotels. I don't brag back to my friends about how fancy my dorm is, but I have plenty to say about our sports and academics that more than make up for it."

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Brazil

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after the showing.

On Tuesday there will be a Brazilian social hour called "Bate-Papo" at the Hesburgh Center. It will include music by the Brazilian choir ContraCantos and Brazilian b a n d Arabiando. The social hour will also have Brazilian appetizers and maracuja, a Brazilian passion fruit juice.

ContraCantos and Arabiando will perform again on Thursday evening at Washington Hall. The two groups will join together to play a variety of Brazilian music, including jazz and beach dance.

The choir and band will also

perform during the week at two South Bend schools, Coquillard Elementary and John Adams High. Kelly Roberts, the publications and communications manager of the Kellogg Institute, said Brazil Week is more than just a campus event.

"One of the big goals is to give not only Notre Dame, but also the Midwest, the opportunity to experience the best of Brazilian culture."

Juliana de Sousa Solis
member
Kellogg Institute for
International Studies

"We are hoping to bring a few exciting bits of Brazil to South Bend," Roberts said.

De Sousa Solis, who is half Brazilian, also believes it is important to extend the event to the community.

"One of the big goals is to give not only Notre Dame, but also the Midwest, the opportunity to experience the best of Brazilian culture," she said. "I think it's an important culture to be exposed to. It has such an eclectic background."

One of the sponsors of Brazil

Week is the Program in Portuguese and Brazilian studies. Established five years ago, the Program offers courses in Portuguese language and Brazilian culture. The Kellogg Institute has organized summer internships in Brazil for Notre Dame students as part of the program.

The University also offers study abroad programs in Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo.

Funding for the week's events originated in 2000 when the Kellogg Institute formed a partnership with the Brazilian Ministry of Culture at Notre Dame. The first Brazil Week was held in the spring of 2005 in conjunction with the partnership.

Other sponsors of Brazil Week include the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, International Student Services and Activities, the Department of Film, Television, and Theatre and the Institute for Latino Studies.

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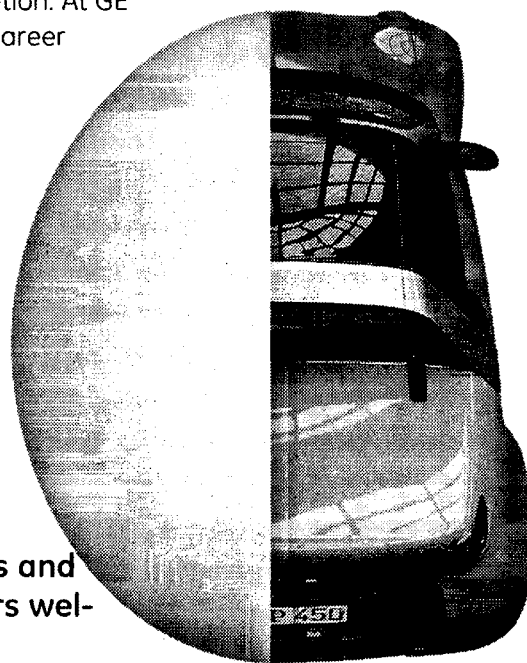
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IN BRIEF

Lilly debates dropping diabetes drug

INDIANAPOLIS — Eli Lilly and Co. said Friday it is uncertain whether it will conduct a new, yearslong clinical trial on an experimental drug for diabetes-related blindness requested by the FDA to approve the medicine.

Lilly said it is "disappointed" with the FDA's request and is weighing whether to conduct a new three-year clinical trial for Arxxant, which many had seen as the company's next blockbuster drug. If approved, it would be the first oral treatment for diabetic retinopathy, a leading cause of blindness in people under the age of 65.

The Indianapolis-based drug maker said the additional research could take up to five years to complete, including the time needed to enroll patients and analyze the data.

"We are certainly disappointed with this communication from the FDA," Lilly's president and chief operating officer, John C. Lechleiter, said in a statement.

Deutsche Bank analyst Barbara Ryan predicted Lilly would drop development of Arxxant because of the additional time and expense of new testing. The drug, she said, had been shown to be only marginally effective.

Companies struggle with pension rules

NEW YORK — Now that corporate America's pension promises will be thrust into the spotlight by new regulations, investors should watch for accounting tricks companies may use to reduce their benefit obligations.

New rules from U.S. Financial Accounting Standards Board will force companies to report the status of their pensions and other post-retirement employee benefits — as an asset or, for most, a liability if they are underfunded — on their balance sheets rather than have them buried in a footnote to the financial statements.

That means huge liabilities could suddenly drop like a bomb onto balance sheets, putting any deficits squarely in the public view and possibly throwing some lending agreements into question because it may lead to sharp drops in corporate net worth.

Figuring out if any maneuvering is going on won't be an easy task. Investors will have to closely watch companies' assumptions for such things as health care and wage inflation that are used to determine the costs of defined benefit plans, which promise retirees a monthly check.

Fox News losing market share

Network faces challenges from ratings, Democrats as 10th anniversary approaches

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Fox News Channel will mark its 10th anniversary this week in an unusual position: knocked back on its heels.

The network is in the midst of its first-ever ratings slump. Cable news' most stable lineup is being juggled. And the blow-up over President Clinton's interview with Chris Wallace suggests that Democrats are attacking Fox because they perceive the same vulnerability in the network as they do in the Bush administration.

Maybe some of this was on Fox News chief Roger Ailes' mind one day last week when he rode the elevator to the 22nd floor of News Corp.'s office tower for an 8:45 a.m. stroll through the network's ad sales department.

Mr. Ailes? What are you doing up here, someone wondered aloud.

"Taking attendance," the hard-charging motivator replied.

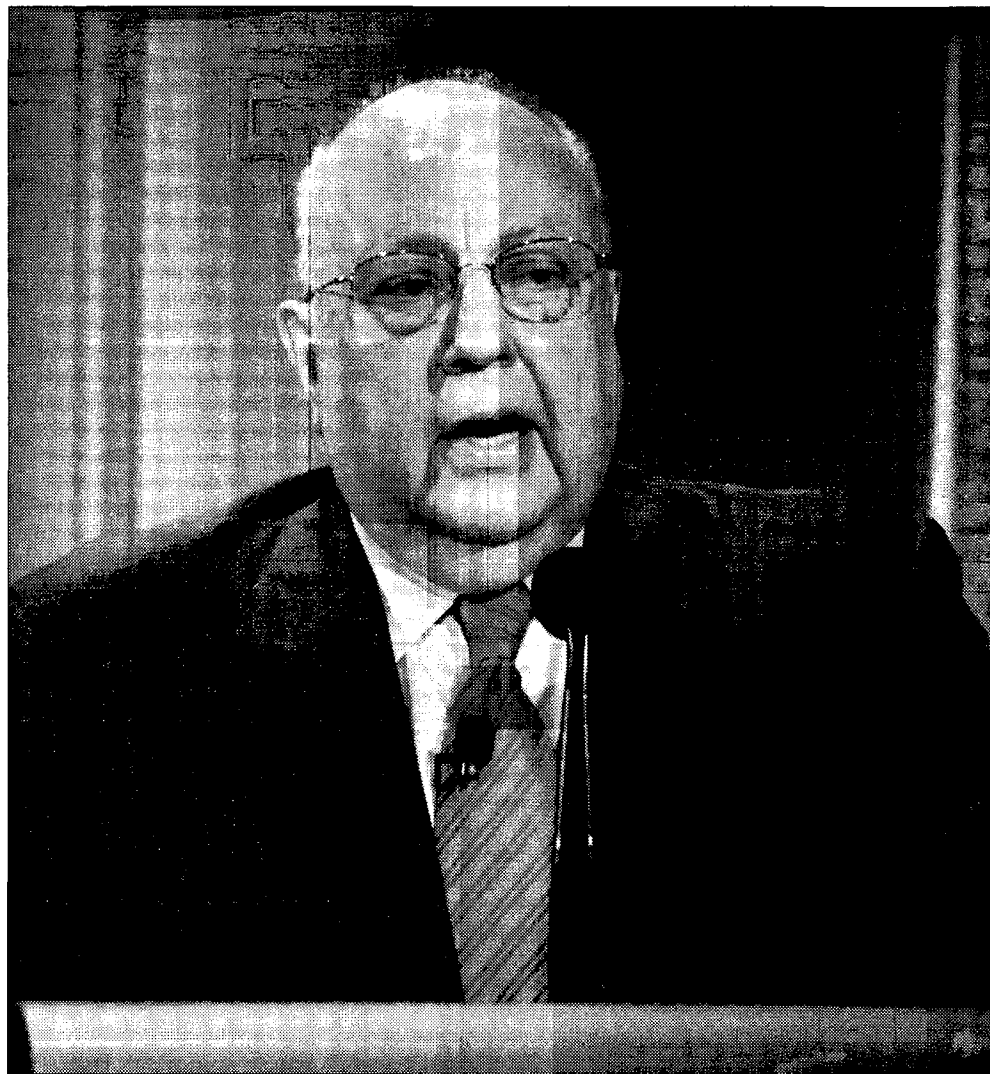
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Loved by some, loathed by others, Fox News Channel has been the biggest success in the cable industry and profoundly changed television news since its signal turned on Oct. 7, 1996.

Ailes can still remember a reporter's laughter during the news conference to introduce the network. He had the last laugh: Fox News beat by a year his plan for overtaking CNN and grew to more than double its rivals in viewership. It made stars of Bill O'Reilly and Sean Hannity and put "fair and balanced" into news history textbooks.

"I watched CNN for a week before I went on and I kept trying to wake myself up," Ailes told The Associated Press. "I kept nodding off and I realized they are biased, they are boring, they looked like a network that has never had any competition."

Ailes, a former Republican political operative, said simply presenting different points of view made Fox



Roger Ailes, chairman and chief executive officer of the Fox News Channel, speaks during the Summer Television Critics Association Press Tour in Pasadena, Calif., on July 24.

seem like a contrast to left-leaning news coverage elsewhere.

Before Fox, many in the media scoffed at the notion of a liberal bias and figured only a handful of people really believed that, said Erik Sorenson, former MSNBC president.

"Fox proved it's a much larger group than anybody realized," he said.

Their success clearly made others respond. The very idea that Rush Limbaugh would appear on a "CBS Evening News" segment called "Free Speech," heavily promoted on Katie Couric's first night as anchor, would have been unfathomable a decade ago, Sorenson said.

"I've had many people say to me we have forced people

to think differently in their own newsrooms," Ailes said.

Fox's critics consider "fair and balanced" camouflage for an agenda. Whatever the truth, news-watching became increasingly partisan: more Democrats watched CNN, more Republicans watched Fox, according to a 2004 study by the Pew Research Center for the People in the Press. The year Fox started, CNN had more Republican viewers than Democrats.

While he cautioned not to overexaggerate Fox's influence, former CBS News President Andrew Heyward suggested industry sensitivity to Fox's popularity, coupled with shock after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, combined to dampen

aggressiveness in questioning the government's assumptions leading up to the Iraq war.

Ailes dismissed that theory with an epithet.

Less attention has been paid to the look of Fox News. During its peak, it appeared more colorful, more graphically innovative and more urgent. It made CNN look stodgy.

But the years of explosive growth have ended at Fox. Viewership over the first eight months of the year was down 5 percent compared to 2005, with a steeper 13 percent decline in prime-time, according to Nielsen Media Research. For 12 straight months, Fox's prime-time audience has been smaller than the year before.

Third quarter ends with stock slide

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street ended a stellar third quarter with a moderate decline Friday, as the Dow Jones industrial average pulled back further from record-high levels. The major indexes closed out the week, month and quarter with gains.

The day's economic news was gloomy and money managers made few bold moves as the quarter ended.

"This is possibly a short-term top," said Ken Tower, chief market strategist for Schwab's CyberTrader, said of the Dow's briefly surpassing its closing record of 11,722.98 on Thursday.

"The Dow has been flirting with an all-time high; the market may be due for a little rest as we enter October."

Stocks dipped after St. Louis Federal Reserve President William Poole said the Fed would continue to watch economic data as it sets interest rate policy. His comments were seen as leaving the door open to additional interest rate hikes if inflation necessitates them; traders had been hoping the hikes were over.

The Dow fell 39.38, or 0.34 percent, to 11,679.07. The blue chip index briefly crossed its closing high on Thursday, then fell back. It has yet to surpass its all-time trading high of 11,750.28; both highs were set Jan. 14, 2000.

Broader stock indicators also fell. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 3.30, or 0.25 to 1,335.85, and the Nasdaq composite index fell 11.59, or

0.51 percent, to 2,258.43. The S&P 500 remains near a 5 1/2-year high.

Bonds, meanwhile, fell, with the yield on the 10-year Treasury note at 4.63 percent, up from 4.61 percent Thursday. The dollar was higher against other major currencies. Gold prices fell.

Crude oil futures rose. A barrel of light crude settled at \$62.91, up 15 cents, on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

In economic news, the Commerce Department said consumer spending dropped in August by the largest amount in nearly a year and core inflation for August, which excludes volatile food and energy prices, was up a worrisome 2.5 percent compared to a year ago.

Mobsters suspected of hampering anti-terrorism efforts

FBI concerned financial opportunities may inspire collaboration between organized crime and al-Qaida leaders

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The FBI's top counterterrorism official harbors lots of concerns: weapons of mass destruction, undetected homegrown terrorists and the possibility that old-fashioned mobsters will team up with al-Qaida for the right price.

Though there is no direct evidence yet of organized crime collaborating with terrorists, the first hints of a connection surfaced in a recent undercover FBI operation. Agents stopped a man with alleged mob ties from selling missiles to an informant posing as a terrorist middleman.

That case and other factors are heightening concerns about a real-life episode of the Sopranos teaming with Osama bin Laden's

followers.

"We are continuing to look for a nexus," said Joseph Billy Jr., the FBI's top counterterrorism official. "We are looking at this very aggressively."

The new strategy involves an analysis of nationwide criminal investigations, particularly white collar crime, side by side with intelligence and terrorist activity.

"We have developed an ability to look harder and broader in a greatly enhanced way to see if there is any crossover," Billy said in an interview with The Associated Press.

Organized crime syndicates could facilitate money transfers or laundering, human smuggling, identification fraud or explosives and weapons acquisitions, officials said.

The options are many for terrorists groups.

There are the five reputed La Cosa Nostra families in New York, Russian criminal enterprises from Brighton Beach in the New York borough of Brooklyn to Moscow, and the emerging Asian crime syndicates that operate in many Islamic countries with al-Qaida offshoots.

A contract study produced recently for the Pentagon and obtained by the AP warned that the potential for organized crime assisting terrorists is growing.

"Although terrorism and organized crime are different phenomena, the important fact is that terrorist and criminal networks overlap and cooperate in

some enterprises," the study said. "The phenomenon of the synergy of terrorism and organized crime is growing because similar conditions give rise to both and because terrorists and organized criminals use similar approaches to promote their operations."

The traditional mafia has highly developed networks for acquiring goods and services and money, all for a price.

The mob's potential interest in helping a terrorist has nothing to do with ideology or sympathy but with greed, said Matt Heron, head of New York FBI's organized crime unit.

"They will deal with anybody, if they can make a buck," Heron said. "They will sell to a terrorist

just as easily as they would sell to an order of Franciscan monks. It's a business relationship to them."

"If the mob has explosives and a terrorist wants them and they have the money, they could become instant friends," he said.

Pat D'Amuro, a retired senior FBI official and now chief executive of Giuliani Security, said a Mafia boss once acknowledged that the mob would help terrorists.

"I am aware of a high-level Mafia figure, who was cooperating with authorities, being asked if the Mafia would assist terrorists in smuggling people into Europe through Italy," D'Amuro said. "He said, 'The Mafia will help who ever can pay.'"

Certain leafy greens deemed to be safe for consumption

Farmers begin to assess damage to business, return to harvesting in wake of national E. Coli bacteria breakout

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Relieved farmers say they are heartened by the government's announcement that it's safe to eat most spinach, but they feel uneasy about their industry's future, knowing it may take time to win back public confidence.

During the two-week warning about E. coli in fresh spinach, growers said they re-examined the safety of their operations, anguished over the suffering of the 187 people sickened and one who died, and weathered significant losses as they watched crops go to waste.

"Everybody's just trying to regroup," said Teresa Thorne, with industry group Alliance for Food and Farming.

It's too early to tell how hard the industry was hit, but agriculture experts said unprecedented economic damage was likely.

In California, where three-quarters of all domestically grown spinach is harvested, farmers could endure up to \$74 million in losses, according to researchers working with Western Growers, which represents

produce farmers in California and Arizona.

Last year's spinach crop in California was valued at \$258.3 million, and each acre lost amounts to a roughly \$3,500 hit for the farmer.

The government gave a partial endorsement to the industry on Friday, with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration announcing that most spinach is now "as safe as it was before this event."

But the warning remains in place for spinach recalled by Natural Selection Foods LLC of San Juan Bautista, which covered

34 brands in packages with "Best if Used By" dates between Aug. 17 and Oct. 1.

Growers on California's Central Coast have another four or five weeks to harvest before shutting down for the winter, when spinach production moves to the southern valleys and Arizona.

Because they stagger plantings to allow for an uninterrupted supply, many growers still have young greens maturing.

When California Farm Bureau officials visited the Salinas Valley on Friday to

meet with farmers, they found fields of overgrown spinach, too big for the processors who had ordered them under contract, farm bureau spokesman Dave Kranz said.

"Farmers are just waiting to see if they'll have orders," Kranz said.

Growers are trying to salvage what they can of their crops, but many say a loss of public confidence is the biggest threat to the industry. Before the E. coli outbreak, health-conscious Americans had driven up demand for spinach in salads and other healthy meals.

FEMA Katrina trailers finally cleared for use

Units could be sold or donated to various groups

Associated Press

OPE, Ark. — Nearly 10,000 emergency housing trailers that were intended to be sent to the Gulf Coast to help Hurricane Katrina victims have been freed up for other uses.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency parked the trailers at Hope Municipal Airport in the months following the hurricane. The agency came under criticism when the trailers sat empty.

FEMA officials said that regulations against placing the homes in flood plains prevented their use on the Gulf Coast.

On Friday, Congress approved a homeland security spending bill that included a provision allowing FEMA to sell or donate the trailers to municipalities, non-profit groups or American Indian tribes.

Sen. Mark Pryor, D-Ark., said he would prefer that the homes had gone to hurricane victims as originally intended, but selling or donating them to cities or community groups was better than letting them sit unused.

"Allowing the homes to sit and deteriorate at the airport is an abuse of taxpayer funding and should not be an option," Pryor

said in a statement.

Pryor and Rep. Mike Ross, D-Ark., sponsored the measures in their respective chambers before the provision went to a conference committee. Sen. Tim Johnson, D-S.D., added the option to convey the trailers to Indian tribes to house the homeless.

"I am proud that the 9,778 fully furnished manufactured homes sitting in Hope, Arkansas, may finally be put to good use," Ross said. "These are the kind of commonsense solutions the American taxpayers expect and deserve."

FEMA was directed to work with the Department of Interior to transfer the trailers to tribes, depending on need.

Indian housing has been a problem for decades. According to a 2003 survey, an estimated 200,000 housing units are needed immediately in Indian country and approximately 90,000 Indian families are homeless or "underhoused."

The Homeland Security Department's inspector general has said that U.S. taxpayers could be stuck with a maintenance bill of nearly \$47 million a year for thousands of trailers that sit parked at sites around the country.

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Unhealthy ads riddle youth shows

Marketers could be contributing to increasing rates of childhood obesity

Associated Press

CHICAGO — When Susan Connor's 3-year-old son started humming the McDonald's jingle, a research project was born.

Connor knew where he'd heard the fast food giant's catchy tune — on the Disney Channel during "The Wiggles," a show for preschoolers.

"He had absorbed that from watching TV," said Connor, whose study on food ads aimed at toddlers appears in the October issue of *Pediatrics*. "It would be a marketer's dream to know they were that successful."

Messages for high-fat, high-sugar foods permeate programming for preschoolers on Nickelodeon, the study found. On the Disney Channel's shows for the youngest children and even on Public Broadcasting Service shows such as "Sesame Street," companies woo tots' loyalty by linking logos, licensed characters and slogans with fun and happiness.

Disney and PBS promote themselves as ad-free, but fast food companies dominated sponsor messages during programming for toddlers, Connor found, making up 82 percent of sponsor messages on PBS preschool programming and 36 percent of messages on Disney's toddler block of shows.

The clown character Ronald McDonald appears with shows for toddlers on Disney and PBS. And the cartoon mouse Chuck E. Cheese pops up alongside preschool programming on PBS.

Connor, research manager of Cleveland's Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital, said adults who haven't seen children's programs lately will be surprised by the findings.

Advocates said the study adds to mounting evidence that food

marketers are trying to hook the youngest children as lifelong customers. Promotions go both ways with TV characters from children's shows used on the packaging of sugary cereals, fruit-flavored snacks and other foods.

Last week, the Federal Communications Commission announced plans to study links between the ads, viewing habits and the rise of childhood obesity. For now, marketing of food to children is unregulated.

Previous studies have found that kids as young as 3 who see TV ads are more likely to request and eat advertised foods high in fat, sodium and sugar. American children from infancy to age 6 watch an average of one hour of TV daily, and 8- to 18-year-olds watch an average of three hours daily. They see roughly 40,000 TV ads a year.

"It's very concerning when childhood obesity is a major public health problem that preschool programs are still being sponsored by fast food restaurants and food that's not healthy for children," said Susan Linn of Harvard Medical School and a co-founder of the Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood. She was not involved in the study.

Diane Levin, of Wheelock College who is also a co-founder of the Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood, criticized Disney and PBS for breaching viewers' trust. She supports limits on marketing of junk food to children too young to make critical judgments about advertising.

"PBS has a special responsibility," said Levin, who was not involved in the study. With federal funding threatened, Levin said, PBS has searched for new revenue, including from spon-

sors who want to reach children.

PBS spokeswoman Lea Sloan said sponsors' messages don't interrupt programs and don't go longer than two minutes, 17 seconds per hour. PBS doesn't allow price information, product comparisons, depictions of children's products or superlative claims, Sloan said.

"The content of these messages is either in support of public television or around learning, education and social development," Sloan said in an e-mail. "Licensed characters or mascots often reinforce a positive educational message and their appearance is limited to five seconds."

Nickelodeon spokesman Dan Martinsen said the channel has reduced food ads during its "Nick Jr." block of programs for preschoolers by 20 percent in the last two years.

Disney Channel spokeswoman Patti McTeague said sponsor messages are accepted "only when they are connected to a pro-social message."

Chuck E. Cheese spokeswoman Brenda Holloway said the pizza restaurant chain's play areas promote physical activity, as do its ads.

"Realistically, our research shows most children come to Chuck E. Cheese's to play and have fun," Holloway wrote in an e-mail. "We think that our PBS sponsorship announcements do promote physical activity and social interaction through play and learning, which we believe are appropriate messages for preschool-age children."

McDonald's did not respond to requests for comment in time for publication.

Research finds flaw in infant death stats

Danger of premature births emphasized

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Scientists now say a third of infant deaths are due to premature births — a much larger percentage than previously thought.

In the past, "preterm birth" has been the listed cause of death in fewer than 20 percent of newborn fatalities. But that number should be 34 percent or more, said researchers at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

That's because at least a dozen causes of newborn death are actually problems that go hand-in-hand with premature births, such as respiratory distress syndrome caused by underdeveloped lungs.

"This brings preterm birth, as a cause of death, to the kind of level that we think it deserves," said the CDC's Dr. Bill Callaghan, the lead author of a study appearing Monday in the journal *Pediatrics*.

The revised statistic may lead to greater efforts to counsel pregnant women about taking care of themselves and avoiding actions that can lead to preterm births — such as smoking and drug use.

It also may help organizations lobbying for more research into why some women who follow medical advice still have preterm babies. The March of Dimes is advocating to expand fed-

eral research into preterm labor and delivery and the care and treatment of premature infants.

At issue is how to label the causes of deaths for infants who die before they reach their first birthday.

"Preterm birth" generally describes infants who are born before 37 weeks gestation, and the term is also used as an official cause of death. Two-thirds of infant deaths occur in children who were preterm, but their cause of death is often attributed to one of the several specific problems that can occur in preterm babies.

"The only way that an infant gets assigned ('preterm birth') is if there's nothing else on the death certificate," said Callaghan, a senior scientist in the CDC's maternal and infant health branch. "That may result in an underestimation of what the real problem is."

Callaghan and other researchers examined birth and death certificates for about 28,000 U.S. infants that died in 2002.

About 4,600 of those — or 17 percent — were attributed only to preterm birth. But the researchers also grouped in more than 5,700 other deaths that were attributed to preterm-related conditions including respiratory distress syndrome, brain hemorrhage and maternal complications such as premature rupture of membranes.

Fire alarms failing to wake sleeping children

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Children in deep sleep awoke to recordings of their mothers' voices — calling them by name and ordering them out of their bedrooms — even if they slept through the beeping sound a smoke alarm makes, according to a small study.

The study reaffirms previous research that shows what works for adults doesn't always work for children, said Dr. Gary Smith, one of the co-authors.

"Clearly, the strategy that has been tried and true and used for years ... fails miserably for children," said Smith, director of the Center for Injury Research and Policy at Columbus Children's Hospital.

The study of 24 children ages 6 to 12 found that 23 awoke to the recorded voice of their mother saying "(Child's first name)! Wake up! Get out of bed! Leave the room!" Fourteen of the children also awoke to the traditional tone alarm. One child didn't wake up to either.

The children who woke up to the voice did so at a median time of 20 seconds, compared with three minutes for those who

woke up to the tone, according to the study by Columbus Children's Hospital researchers being released Monday in *Pediatrics*.

Both alarms were created using a large speaker and sounds measuring 100 decibels, about four times louder than levels used in standard home alarms, Smith said.

The next step, he said, is to determine why children responded to the voice alarm differently, whether they were responding to their names, their mothers' voices or the frequency at which the sound was delivered, which was lower than the frequency of a beeping alarm.

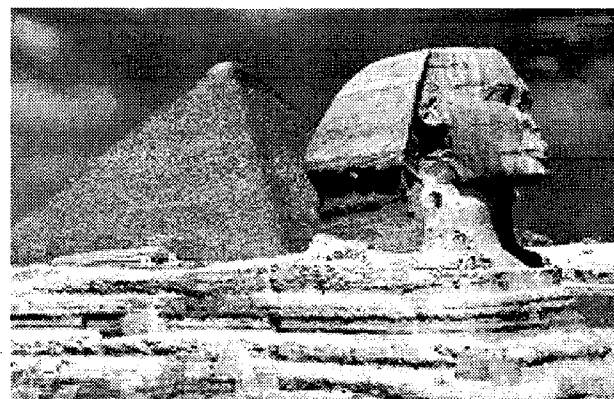
Nancy Baron of Columbus said her daughter Maddie, who was 8 at the time of the study, awoke to the voice alarm in 15 to 20 seconds but slept through the tone alarm, while neither alarm woke her son Rhys, who was 7.

"I was totally shocked," Baron said. "It was actually a little frightening to think what would happen if this was real."

Funding for the study came from a grant from the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Division of Emergency Medical Services and the Ohio Emergency Medical Services Board.

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You, me and the death penalty

American soldiers come home in body bags from Iraq on a morbidly regular basis. AIDS and civil strife tear apart Africa with ruthless impunity. Fresh lines are being drawn in the sand of the Middle East, dividing Israel and the Arab world. Unbridled violence dominates round-the-clock news and talking heads yell louder than ever at each other about anything that can be categorized as blue or red. So why in this world of mounting tensions, violence and casualties do I champion the abolition of the death penalty in the United States — which only claimed 60 lives in 2005 — over all these other issues?

My simple answer is this: states are killing incarcerated criminals on behalf of its citizens and the executions can stop whenever their respective governors say so. It's going to take a lot more than a simple phone call to stop Hezbollah from hating Israel (contrary to President Bush's comments at the Great Eight summit). It will take decades to counter the damage that has been done by poverty, racism, disease and civil wars in Africa, and it will take more than interim election promises by challengers and incumbents alike to solve the quagmire of Iraq. In contrast, all it takes to halt an execution, to stop the killing of an incarcerated person, is a phone call by a governor. That, to me, is what makes this issue constantly relevant: the degree of control and consent over the killing of an individ-



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ual expressed by the public and state governments. The concept is startling; state governments are taking these people out of cells where they are locked up and killing them as an agent of U.S. citizens. Think about that for a moment. Sixty times last year, a prisoner was taken from their controlled confinement, escorted to the waiting method of execution and killed. For you and for me. The states do this because this is what they think we want to have happen. Therefore, they are enacting our wishes as citizens.

That being said, many of you are already formulating extremely reasonable questions and arguments in response to this line of thought: "Why should we have sympathy for these convicted murderers and rapists? Why is it our responsibility to speak for those who have committed heinous crimes against other human beings?" A good portion of you are likely in support of the death penalty and are internally reciting arguments based on the merits of execution as a legitimate means of delivering justice to those who have so brutally carried out these acts.

I understand.

I've had these thoughts many times and have held varying opinions until I really studied the topic and found myself with a steadfast stance against the death penalty. This opinion was grounded in facts and feelings alike, both in abstract morals and beliefs and in concrete statistics and studies. It is through a better understanding of the realities of the system of capital punishment, from trial through to the actual execution, that I arrived at the undeniable conclusion that capital punishment is inherently unjust, immoral and an unwarranted burden on states and their citizens alike.

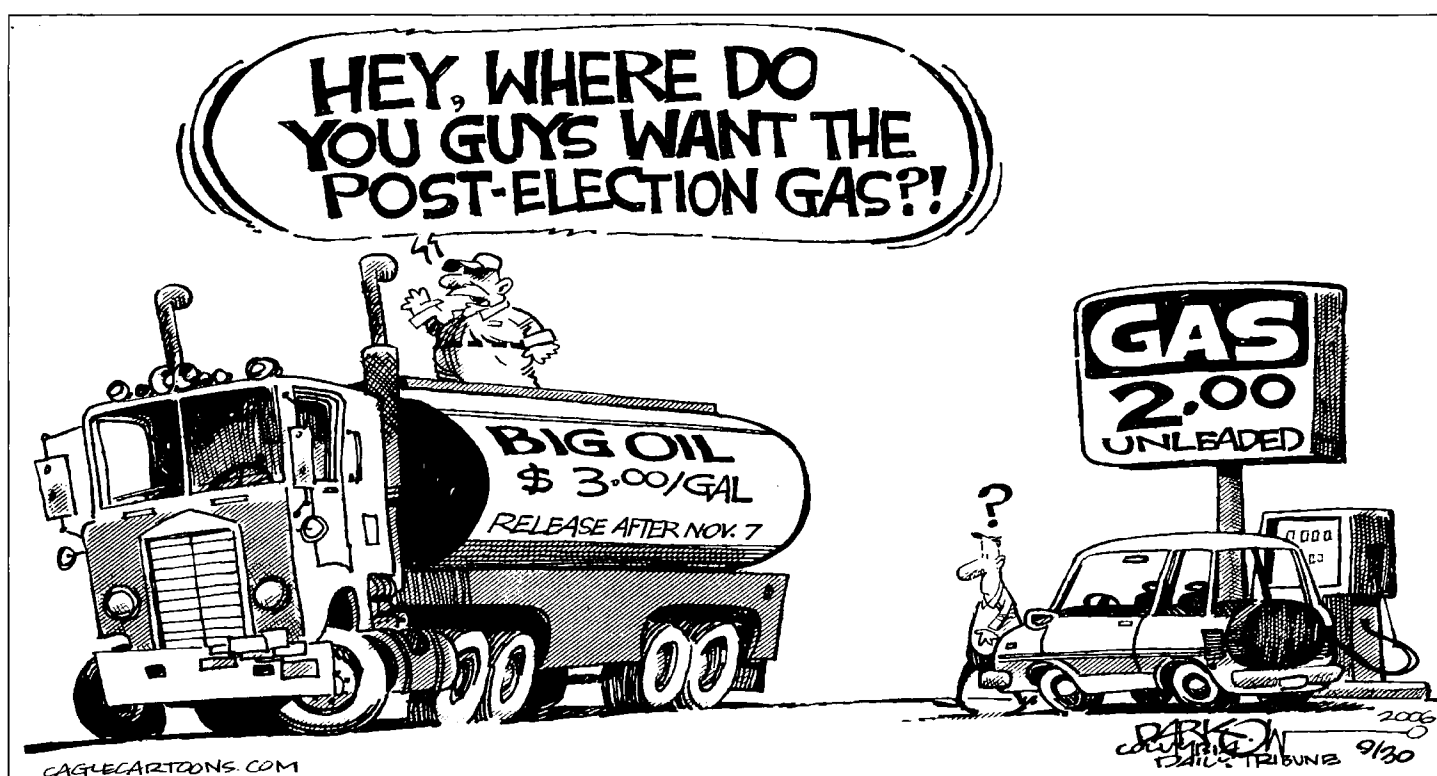
My goal is not to convert you into a fellow critic of the death-penalty. We know too well that the inevitable, well-crafted response would sway you back in a few short days. My aim is not to throw statistics and numbers into this small space and claim that they speak for themselves. If that worked, this issue would be moot and this space could be filled with articles about fresh unexamined topics such as The Vagina Monologues and over-population.

Instead, my intention is to invite all those interested in learning more about the death penalty and refining your beliefs through well-informed conversation to interact with the new campaign on campus: Notre Dame Against State Killing, or simply ND ASK. Its goal is to inform the Notre Dame community of valuable facts and opinions on the topic as well as facilitate continued discussion throughout the school year. Any interested student, faculty or community member is invited to attend any meeting or lecture regardless of your stance. If the statistics, opinions and discussions presented don't sway you, you are encouraged to attend and explain your views.

I for one am looking forward to a year of educated discussion on the death penalty and the insights, perspectives and possible solutions that will inevitably arise from the Notre Dame community.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I am enough of an artist to draw freely upon my imagination. Imagination is more important than knowledge. For knowledge is limited, whereas imagination embraces the entire world, stimulating progress, giving birth to evolution."

Albert Einstein
Nobel Laureate physicist

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Walk the walk?

Are we walking the walk? I'm an '88 Notre Dame graduate and keep asking myself this question over and over. A midlife crisis, perhaps; growing wiser, certainly not; finding the importance in life, huh?? I would ask everyone in the Notre Dame community to ask yourselves this question: "Are you walking the walk, are you wearing your faith on your sleeve and in your actions or are you hidden behind societal pressures?" We are ND. Notre Dame is a Catholic community, which was brought together by our faith. This faith should be leading us in everything we do and be demonstrated on and off the football field. Is it?

Last week, I watched the Notre Dame vs. Michigan State football game with my young children. We watched with the same passion we always do, and with a family new to our area who happened to be Michigan State fans and devout Catholics. Unfortunately, we were bombarded with repeated commercials for nearly naked women "desperate" to cheat on their husbands. Not one commercial, but several throughout the game. I could not believe ABC was using the Notre Dame football game to promote this trash. I assured this family, that this would outrage Notre Dame and that they would make a statement on Monday. I was sure the Notre Dame community would take action. I am amazed nothing has come of this. Despite contacting high-ranking Notre Dame administration, ABC sports, ESPN and writing a letter to The Observer (which was not published), silence continues. Instead we hear of people not getting tickets, Notre Dame selling season tickets to raise more money, the bookstore making big money, a need for stadium improvements and the need for new running backs. Have we become so numb to our surroundings that we do not see the

messages being pushed on our society? Have we become complacent, and feel we can't make a difference? Are we really so focused on winning or losing a football game that we cannot see the devil lurking? Does the "entertainment" of these type of shows overshadow our moral judgment?

You may see this as a minor deal and in the big picture with the state of our world, it is. However, if we are not willing to step forward, raise objection, walk the walk on issues such as these, how can we begin to attack the bigger threats to our future and our children's future? The myriad of issues which need moral leadership in our world are too numerous to count.

We are ND. But what truly is Notre Dame? Is it a football team like most folks around our country think? Or is it a faith-filled community willing to take on the tough issues, no matter how big or how small? Next time you are in the stadium screaming, "We are ND" ask yourself what this means. Ask yourself what Notre Dame truly means and stands for. Notre Dame is much more than a football team. Notre Dame is a community of students, professors, subway alumni and alumni who are willing to "walk the walk" of their faith. We are a community that demands more of our society and ourselves.

I don't have the answers, am not attempting to be righteous, and am far from perfect. However, I have a strong faith and know that together as a community, Notre Dame can and should make a difference. We need to repair much more than Notre Dame Stadium in our world.

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Stumping, not serving

Republican candidates wary of associating themselves with an unpopular president are finding lower-profile ways to raise money through the Fundraiser-in-Chief.

One strategy has been to close President Bush's fundraisers off from the press: Before May 2006, when Bush's approval ratings hadn't yet reached the Fahrenheit freezing point, 34 percent of his fundraisers were closed. Since then, 59 percent have been closed, according to the Associated Press.

Catherine Rampell

Princeton University
Daily Princetonian

This week, a second and more innovative strategy began. White House press secretary Tony Snow announced that the fundraising circuit has been graced by a more PR-safe White House star: himself.

In his White House press briefing on Wednesday, Snow said he was the first White House press secretary he knew of to participate in fundraisers. His participation, he said, was "unplowed ground." At first, I admit, I found the unplowed-ness of this ground surprising; the White House press secretary seems to be the perfect person to fundraise in the President's place. Who's better to present the President's face and agenda to eager, deep-pocketed donors than the guy who's so good at talking him up? Why hasn't anyone in this position, seemingly designed to defend the White House, gone on the stumping circuit?

Because it's unethical.

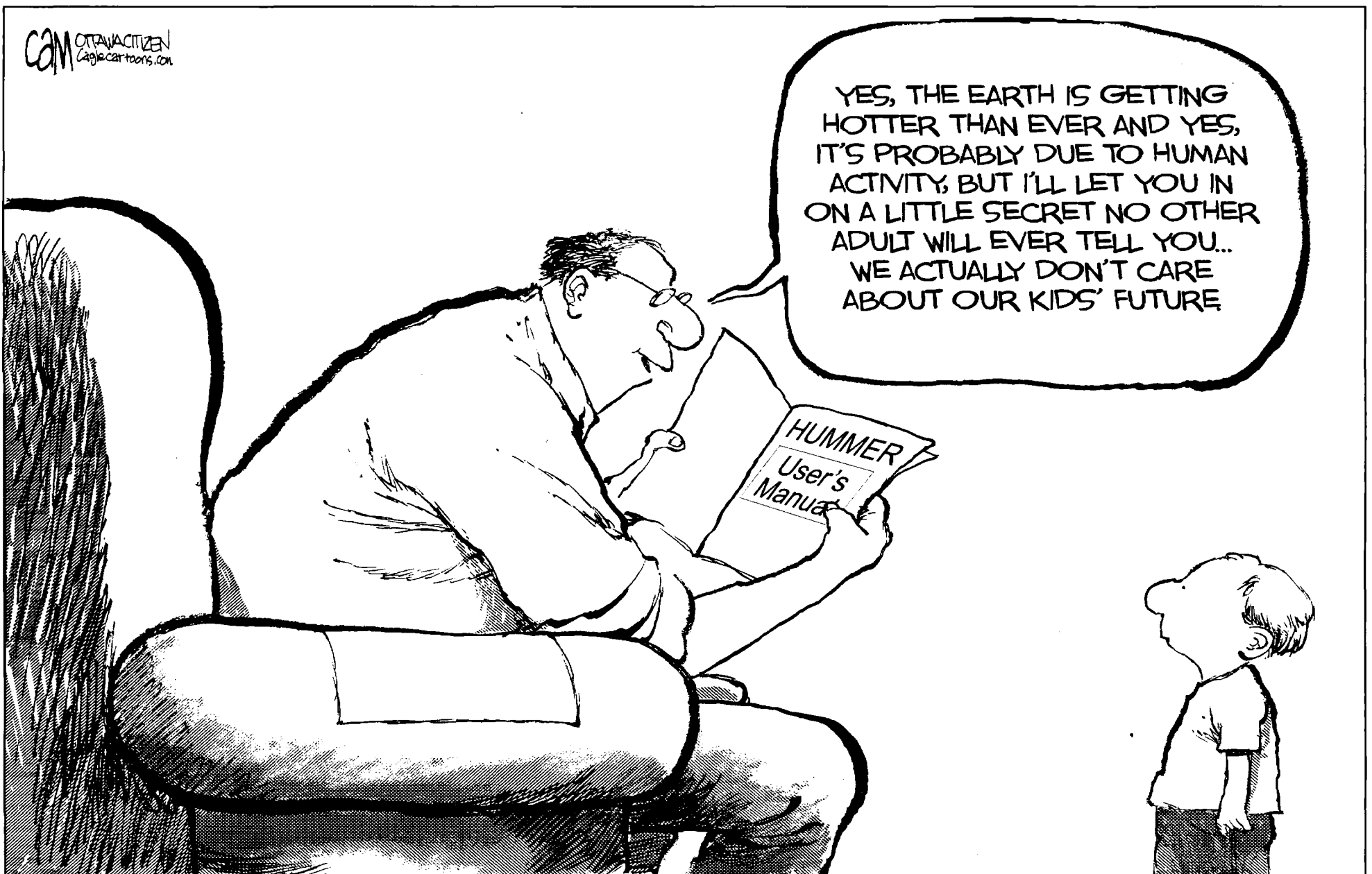
Firstly, Snow's participation in fundraisers may constitute a misuse of taxpayer dollars. While Snow has said that the Republican National Committee will pay for his travel and accommodations at fundraising events, it's unclear whether the RNC will remunerate taxpayers for salaried time Snow is using to stump rather than serve as White House press secretary.

More importantly, the White House press secretary is a nonpartisan civil servant whose employer is the state and not the President or the President's party. His job is to collect information about what's happening inside the White House and dispense it to the media. Sure, at daily press briefings with the White House press corps, he also fields questions about White House policy and plans. Sure, he may spin this information to appease the man who hired him, but his primary responsibility, like that of the Cabinet members, is helping the government run more effectively, not gilding the President or his party.

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SCENE & HEARD

Dear Must See TV, I will never abandon thee

Dear NBC Must See TV Thursday,
In light of your apparent comeback this year, I feel I must express my congratulations and relief that you are beginning your return to glory. I know it's been hard for you ever since "Friends" left you, but I wanted to let you know that I never gave up hope. You stood by my side as I grew from a girl into a woman, and for that I could never abandon you. But in order to achieve a better future, we must look to our past for mistakes made and lessons learned. And Must See TV Thursday, you've made quite a few mistakes.



Cassie Belek

Assistant
Scene Editor

You were so strong for so long. You created the perfect formula for Thursday night success — two hours of comedy plus one hour of drama. With comedies like "The Cosby Show," "Family Ties," "Cheers," "A Different World," "Frasier," "Seinfeld," "Will & Grace" and "Friends," you dominated Thursday nights.

Then you always wrapped up the evening with dramas like "Hill Street Blues," "LA Law" and ultimately "ER." These were truly golden times.

You then survived the loss of "Seinfeld," but another dreary inevitability was just around the corner — "Friends" would end sooner or later. You needed to find a new comedy that would anchor your Thursday 8:00 p.m. time

slot. You tried to find it in the Americanized British import "Coupling" that sounded remarkably similar to the Generation X phenomenon "Friends" but you butchered that show like you had butchered so many before it. Before you knew it, "Friends" was in its last season and you took an enormous risk by scheduling its spin-off "Joey" in its vacant time slot.

This is when the death knell tolled. Not only did you assume that "Joey" would retain the massive "Friends" audience, but you took an even greater misstep when you abandoned your airtight formula and scheduled "The Apprentice" in the 9:00 p.m. time slot. You now had one hour of comedy, one hour of reality and one hour of drama. This cosmic unbalance plummeted NBC to fourth place and I blame you. I was confused and hurt because I didn't understand why you would abandon your roots for Donald Trump's non-toupee.

You finally figured out your folly, but not before you lost viewers to other networks. Now you're trying to recover, and I hope you do. But you're not done making mistakes yet. I'd like to give you my advice if you let me. I may not be a network executive, but I know what I want. And what I want is probably what other people want.

First, you need to bring back your two-hour block of comedy. The fact that you even consider Howie Mandel as worthy to appear on Must See TV is insulting. Next, drop "ER" and replace it with "Studio 60 on the Sunset Strip." Although "Studio 60" was originally set to appear before "ER," you chickened



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"Friends" remained a staple of Must See TV Thursday for an entire decade. NBC took a wrong turn when it replaced the show's vacant timeslot with unfortunate spin-off "Joey."

out and took it off Thursdays when you found out it had to compete with "Grey's Anatomy." I never thought I would see the day when you wouldn't stand your ground. Shame on you.

Finally, move "The Office" to the 8:00 p.m. time slot. It's your strongest comedy, which I hope you figured out when it won the Emmy for Outstanding Comedy Series. Next, schedule "30 Rock," "My Name is Earl" and "Scrubs" in that order. This leaves you with two solid hours of comedy, while giving "30 Rock" a chance to grab the audience watching "The Office."

I hope this helps, Must See TV Thursday. You're doing better. You really

are. The public stopped planning your funeral. Just embrace your formula once again and you may be able to give Grissom and McDreamy a run for their money. Faithfuls like me will stand by your side because when it comes to comedy, we know you can deliver. We may even forgive you for that season and a half of "Joey."

Faithfully yours,
Cassie Belek

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Western reflects changing times of the late 1960s

By BRIAN DOXTADER
Scene Editor

"The Wild Bunch" signaled the end of an era — the passing of the classic Western. Symbolically arriving at the end of the 1960s, its violence was underpinned by an elegiac tone that ripples with an air of tragic inevitability.

Easily director Sam Peckinpah's ("Straw Dogs") finest film, "The Wild Bunch" follows a rag-tag group of aging cowboys trying to recover from a failed payroll robbery. Led by Pike Bishop (William Holden), the Bunch includes Dutch (Ernest Borgnine), Angel (Jaime Sanchez) and Lyle and Tector Gorch (Warren Oates and Ben Johnson). When one of their own is captured, the Bunch is faced with a difficult decision.

When first released, "The Wild Bunch" was controversial for its ferocious violence. Taking cues from Sergio Leone's Spaghetti Westerns and other counter-cultural pieces like "Bonnie and Clyde," the bloodshed is far more prevalent than in previous films — by no means does "The Wild Bunch" contain the subdued, implied violence of John Ford pictures. Instead, the film opens and closes with viciously memorable firefights, the latter of which has become one of the most famous scenes in cinematic history. While the violence seems relatively tame

by today's standards, it was revolutionary in 1969.

The film is anchored by Holden's quietly dignified performance as Pike. In fact, "The Wild Bunch" may be the actor's finest work, which is no small feat considering his resume, which includes classics like "Sunset Boulevard," "The Bridge on the River Kwai," "Network" and "Stalag 17," for which he won the Oscar for Best Actor in a Leading Role. Ernest Borgnine is almost as good as Dutch, Pike's right-hand man. Pike and Dutch are men who have been through a great deal together, and both recognize that their glory is coming to a close.

Much of the credit for the film's success must be attributed to its director, who never again equaled these heights. Peckinpah became known as a controversial director because of the violent content of his films, but violence is not the defining factor of "The Wild Bunch." Instead, Peckinpah knows he has great material and a great cast, and allows those elements to shine, though his steady directorial hand is evident throughout the picture.

"The Wild Bunch" is, above all, a film about changing times. A reflection of the late 1960's turmoil in which it was made, the movie continually points out the death of a golden era — Pike has difficulty mounting his horse and the Bunch is shocked when they see



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"The Wild Bunch" tells the story of an aging gang of cowboys as the glory days of the Wild West are coming to a close. Its rampant violence was controversial in 1969.

an automobile for the first time. "The Wild Bunch" is about men who recognize change, but are themselves unable to adapt. The pall of that self-awareness hangs over the film, which is what gives it an elegiac tone, though these men are unwilling — or perhaps unable — to go quietly into that good night. Peckinpah's film transcends its Western origins and becomes a commentary about the end of an era.

"The Wild Bunch" is a great Western,

one of the best. Ranked the 80th greatest film of all-time by The American Film Institute, it remains an enduring classic. At its best, the Western was always a dark, tragic genre, as exemplified by films like "The Searchers" and "Unforgiven." Yet few films, let alone Westerns, resonate as strongly or as sadly as "The Wild Bunch," which is an enduring testament to the film and an enduring testament to its times.

"The Wild Bunch" will be screened this Sunday in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center as part of the PAC Classic 100 film series.

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The Wild Bunch



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Notre Dame 35, Purdue 21

Full steam ahead

Irish dominate Boilermakers on the ground, through the air in 35-21 win

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

Charlie Weis finally got his wish.

Notre Dame confused the Purdue defense with a variety of straight runs, passes and play-action fakes — something the Irish had failed to do in the past two games — en route to a 35-21 victory over the Boilermakers Saturday.

Irish quarterback Brady Quinn completed 29-of-38 passes for 316 yards with two touchdowns, and running back Darius Walker pounded, ducked and wove his way to 146 yards on 31 carries — both season highs for the junior.

Walker's six touches on Notre Dame's opening, seven-play drive set the tone for the rest of the game. After keeping Purdue on its heels with four runs and two screens to Walker, Weis called a play-fake and freshman wide receiver George West took the end-around 14 yards to the end zone for the game's first points.

Notre Dame moved the ball with relative ease throughout the game, finishing with 169 yards on the ground — more than the team gained in its last two games combined.

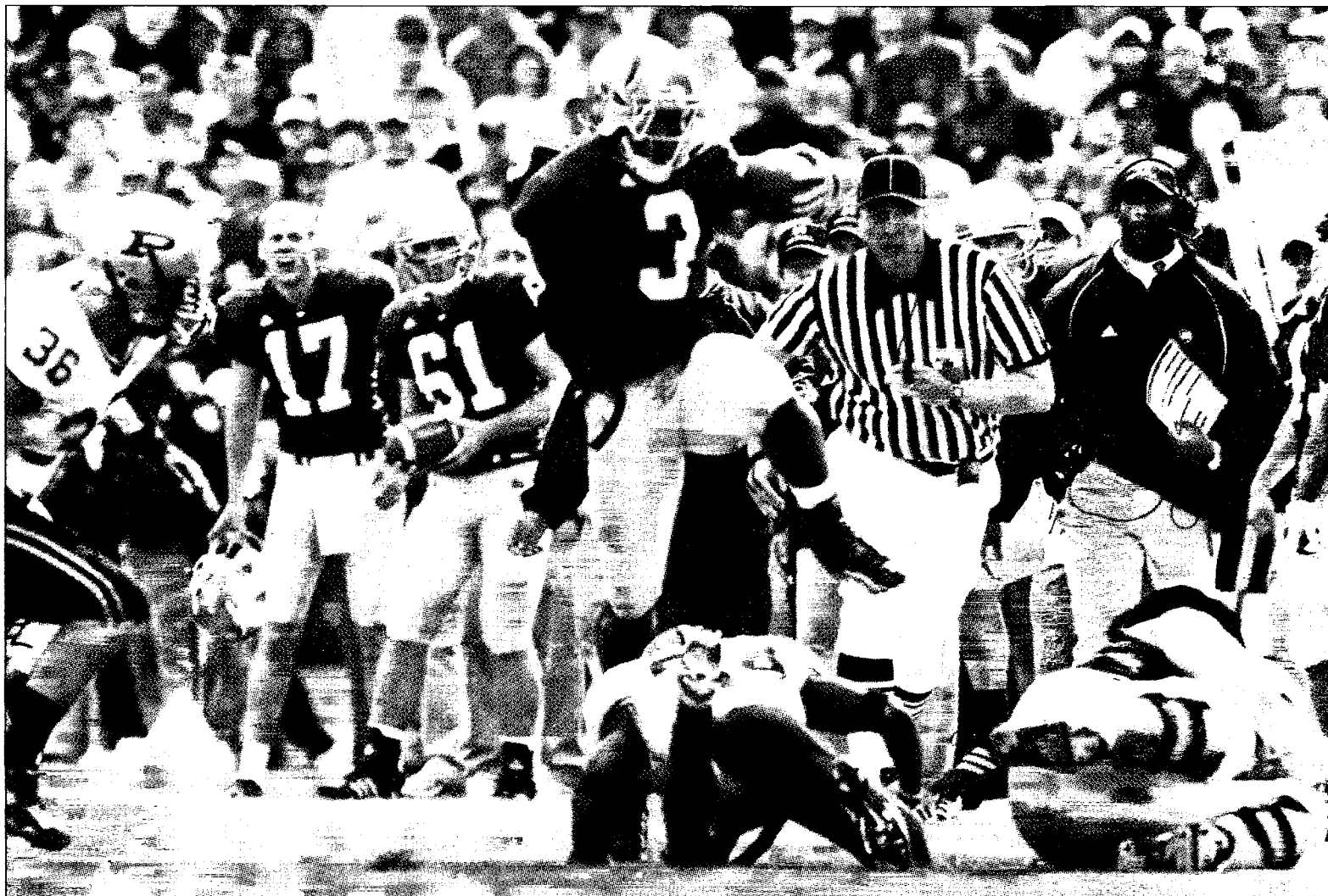
"I just felt that the last two weeks, as the play caller, that we had to give up on the running game because we got behind," Weis said. "I just made a commitment, along with my staff and my players, that we were going to make the running game go no matter what happened."

But that commitment to the running game showed no signs of slowing down the explosive Irish air attack.

Irish wide receiver Rhema McKnight sliced through the 114th-ranked Purdue secondary, and Quinn found him time after time. McKnight had 10 catches for 120 yards — both season highs — and two touchdowns. Walker was second in the receiving column with nine catches for 73 yards.

"Week to week, teams are going to give you different things and basically give and take away certain things," Quinn said. "You just want to utilize that."

Purdue and Notre Dame trad-



PAMELA LOCK/The Observer

Irish running back Darius Walker leaps over Boilermakers cornerback Terrell Vinson in Notre Dame's 35-21 victory over Purdue at Notre Dame Stadium Saturday. Walker rushed for 146 yards on 31 carries and added 73 more on nine receptions.

ed punts after the initial Irish score, and the Boilermakers tied the game at 7-7 with a six-play, 86-yard touchdown drive culminated by an 8-yard run by tailback Kory Sheets.

"It's important to come away with points in the red zone," Boilermakers coach Joe Tiller said. "It's not always critical to score a touchdown when you're down there, but you need points."

The Irish responded to those points with a continued commit-

ment to the run in their next possession. And Walker's gains early in the drive set up big-yardage plays downfield.

Tight end John Carlson caught a pass over the mid-

dle for 25 yards, and wide receiver Rhema McKnight caught one for 11. Walker capped the drive with a 14-yard touchdown run, aided by a

Carlson block five yards past the line of scrimmage.

"Obviously [Walker] was getting a lot of work in, and you get to see how productive he is and how special he is," Quinn said.

For the second straight season, Quinn torched Purdue in a 28-point first half for the Irish. He entered the break 18-of-22 for 190 yards, including a 6-yard touchdown pass to McKnight that gave Notre Dame a 21-7 lead with 8:50 left in the second quarter.

"[Working with the wide outs in practice] played a huge part in it," Quinn said. "Rhema and I were able to communicate. If he saw something, if I saw something [and] we made a big play out of it."

The Irish scored their final points of the half on a Jeff Samardzija 6-yard run on a fake field goal with 1:22 remaining before the break. But Purdue cut the Notre Dame lead to 28-14 seconds later when Boilermakers quarterback Curtis Painter hit Selwyn Lymon deep and Lymon broke two tackles to go 88 yards for the score.

Painter finished 23-of-46 for

398 yards and two touchdowns. Lymon's eight catches led to two scores and 238 yards, setting a record for most receiving yards by an Irish opponent.

But for all of Purdue's successes, they could never close the gap against the Irish.

Quinn found McKnight in the end zone for a second time with 9:38 left in the third, a 12-yard score that capped off the day for the Irish offense and put Notre Dame ahead 35-14. That would be more than enough for the Irish.

Notre Dame converted on 8-of-14 third downs and twice on two fourth-down attempts, helping the Irish nearly double the Boilermakers' time of possession. Notre Dame had the ball for 38:01 to Purdue's 21:59.

"Well [third-down production] was significantly better this game," Weis said. "I include those couple of fourth downs in there as well so ... we were 10-

for-16. We were averaging about two percent for the last couple of weeks."

By comparison, Purdue converted just 4-of-14 third-down attempts.

Notre Dame's defense forced a turnover for the fourth straight game, this time a fumble both forced and recovered by cornerback Terrail Lambert. With Notre Dame ahead 21-7 but Purdue driving, Lambert jarred the ball

loose of Purdue tight end Dustin Keller at the Notre Dame 31-yard line and fell on the ball. The ensuing series ended with Samardzija's touchdown run.

Lymon caught his second touchdown pass of the game to cut the Boilermaker deficit to 14 with 7:16 left in the fourth. But Purdue didn't have a comeback in store.

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Charlie Weis
Irish coach

player of the game

Darius Walker

The Irish running back gained 146 yards on the ground and 73 through the air as his effectiveness opened up the passing game for Notre Dame..

stat of the game

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Notre Dame first downs against Purdue. The Irish had 22 in the first half alone..

play of the game

Jeff Samardzija's touchdown run

Charlie Weis called a fake field goal with less than two minutes left in the first half, and Samardzija's score put the Irish ahead by 21.

quote of the game

"I think that for the most part that the game looked like it was pretty well under control at 35-14."

Charlie Weis
Irish coach

report card

- A** **quarterbacks:** Quinn had one of the best games of his career. He completed over 75 percent of his passes, including two touchdowns, and had nearly perfect timing with his receivers.
- A** **running backs:** Walker had his best game since his performance against Stanford last season. His 146 yards on the ground opened up the Irish air attack, and he added nine catches.
- A-** **receivers:** Aside from one McKnight drop in the end zone, the receivers had a nearly flawless game. McKnight caught 10 passes, Carlson had five and Samardzija added four.
- B** **offensive line:** The interior offensive linemen dominated Purdue's defensive line, aiding Walker's big game. The only drawback for the unit was its four sacks allowed.
- C** **defensive line:** The Irish held Purdue to just 92 yards on the ground but failed to sack Painter. The line applied pressure at times, but not nearly enough, as Painter found receivers both short and long.
- B** **linebackers:** Joe Brockington played a solid game with Travis Thomas out with a rib injury, and Maurice Crum was solid as usual stopping the run.
- C-** **defensive backs:** Painter threw all over the Notre Dame secondary, compiling 398 yards. The worst play for the unit was Selwyn Lymon's 88-yard touchdown that cut the Irish lead to 14 just before the half.
- C** **special teams:** Zbikowski got hurt because he didn't fair catch a punt when it was necessary, kickoffs were poor and Gioia missed a 48-yard field goal with the wind at his back. But Price had another solid game.
- A** **coaching:** Charlie Weis wanted to run the ball, and he proved it early. Weis called two trick plays and a mis-direction on a fourth-and-one that showed just how much control he has on the offense.
- 3.26** **overall:** Notre Dame was nearly impeccable on offense, but the defensive unit still has to make a lot of progress.

adding up the numbers

National ranking for Irish punter Geoff Price in yards per punt. The senior's 47.48 average is just ahead Boise State punter Kyle Stringer's 47.36. **1**

103 Yards rushing Darius Walker gained in the first half. Walker hadn't broken 100 yards in any of Notre Dame's first four games.

Brady Quinn's passer efficiency rating for Saturday's game. His rating for the season is 139.63. **163.54**

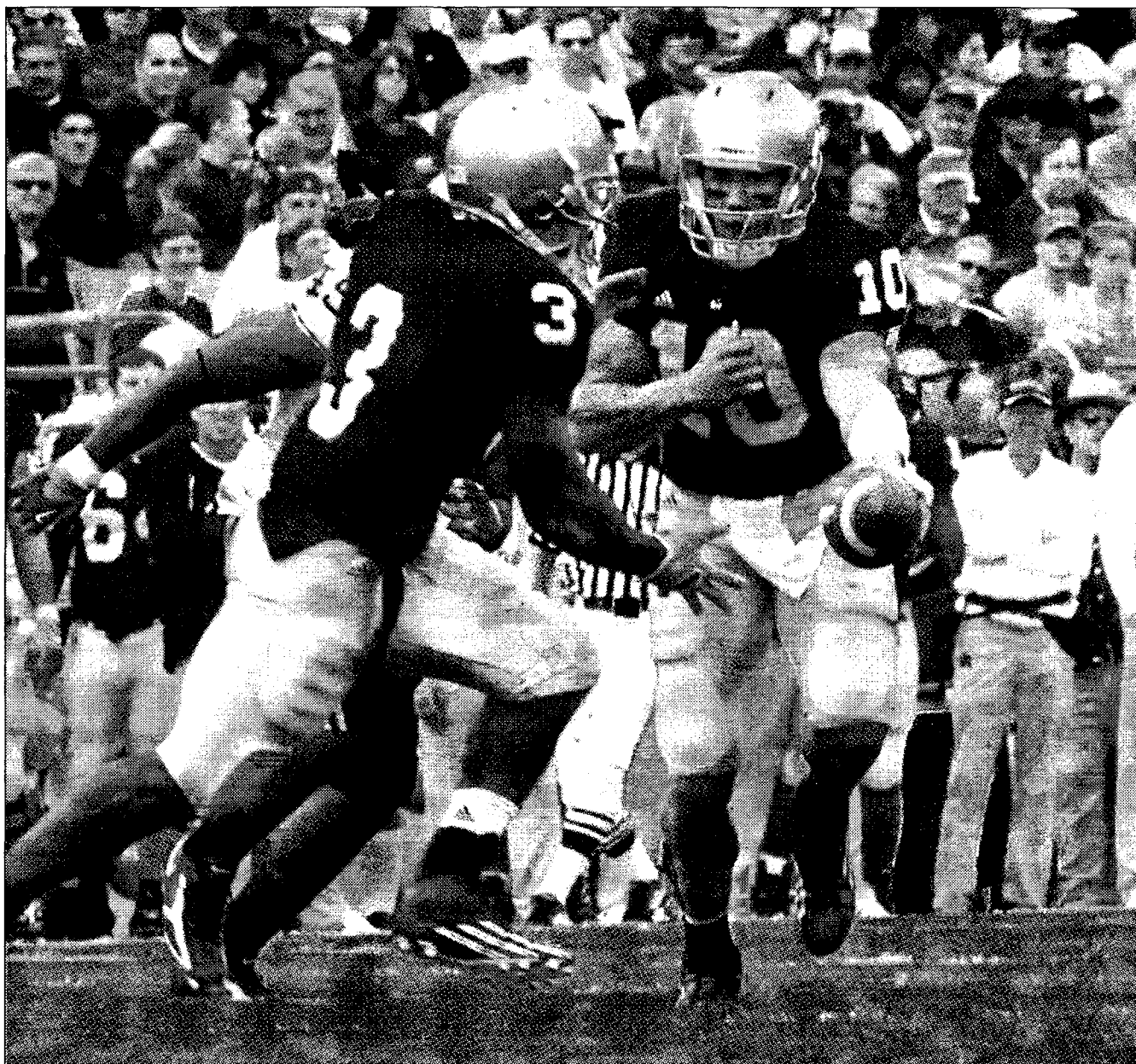
14 Points Notre Dame scored in the first quarter. Before Saturday, the Irish had scored just 10 points in four first quarters this season.

Touches by Notre Dame running back Darius Walker. Walker had 31 carries and nine receptions. **40**

1,485 Yards Quinn has thrown for in four starts against Purdue. The average is 371.25 yards per game.

Yards freshman George West ran for his first career touchdown, an end-around in a three-receiver formation. **14**

16:02 Notre Dame's time of possession advantage Saturday.



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Irish quarterback Brady Quinn, right, hands the ball off to running back Darius Walker in Notre Dame's 35-21 win over Purdue. Quinn threw for 316 yards while Walker rushed for 146 and added 73 receiving.

Balanced offense finds identity

Notre Dame spent four weeks of the 2006 season searching for the balance on offense it left somewhere in Palo Alto, Calif. last year. Well, the Irish found it Saturday — and in doing so, reminded the country why they were considered such a juggernaut heading into the season.

For the second straight year, Notre Dame clicked on all cylinders against an overmatched Purdue team. This was the performance Irish fans have been waiting for after four weeks of searching for an identity.

The passing game was precise (Quinn was 29-of-38 for 316 yards and two touchdowns), the receivers were in sync with their quarterback (McKnight had 10 catches for 120 yards), and the offensive line got great push against the Boilermakers defensive line.

And then, of course, there was Darius Walker.

Walker might have had his best game in a Notre Dame uniform given the circumstances. The Irish needed to establish a consistent running game after a three-week stretch in which they gained a total of 161 yards on the ground — something Walker seemed to take personally given his first half performance.

Walker touched the ball on Notre Dame's first six plays from scrimmage and finished with 31 carries for 146 yards and a touchdown. He also had nine catches for 73 yards, and was on pace for over 300 total yards at halftime.

When a team runs the ball, it controls the clock. And when it controls the clock, and subsequently the momentum, it's easier to win the

game. That's why Notre Dame getting 40 carries for the first time this season was so meaningful.

With Walker dictating the pace, Quinn was able to settle into his most efficient performance of the season. Quinn looked comfortable right from the beginning, and the first-half communication problems that hampered the Irish quarterback and his receivers at Michigan State were absent.

Granted, Quinn was picking apart an inexperienced secondary that was overmatched by McKnight's simultaneous strength in running hitch routes and going up for deep balls. But with the accuracy he was delivering the football, many polished secondaries would have encountered similar problems.

What's more, Notre Dame's offense compensated for defensive problems that plagued the team throughout the game. The Irish gave up 498 yards of total offense and allowed Purdue receiver Selwyn Lymon to go for 238 yards and two touchdowns.

Charlie Weis and Rick Minter will look at this tape knowing that 398 yards passing from an inexperienced quarterback (Saturday was Curtis Painter's 10th career start) is a concern. Notre Dame needs to find a way to put more consistent pressure on opposing quarterbacks so they have less time to run through their progressions.

The Irish will likely address this in practice this week before it begins a two-game stretch against the pass friendly Pac-10 conference.

But the most important thing to emerge from Saturday was this sense of offensive consistency and balance. Notre Dame's defense is still a work in progress, but given the team's upcoming schedule, it has plenty of time to work out its kinks.

And the offense will have ample time to build upon Saturday's progress.

Over the next seven weeks, Notre Dame plays Stanford, UCLA, Navy, North Carolina, Air Force and Army — not exactly a murderers row of talent. The six teams are a combined 12-14.

What happens in these six games should make Notre Dame fans forget about its early season struggles.

Written off by many experts as the front-runner for the Heisman Trophy, Quinn will build on his 13 touchdowns quickly in this time. Thirty-five touchdowns in 11 games (an additional 22 in the following six) won't be out of reach.

Jeff Samardzija — who has been limited to some extent this season — should get his reception totals up from the 27 he has so far this season.

And Walker, who looked slow and indecisive for three weeks leading up to Saturday, suddenly has put himself in position to have another 1,000-yard season. With weaker defenses than the Irish saw against Georgia Tech, Penn State and Michigan, Walker has the tough opponents behind him.

Why is all this important?

Because once this six-game stretch is over, Notre Dame will face its biggest challenge of the season — a trip to Southern California. The Trojans are getting better with each week, and using the momentum from their tight win at Washington State, they'll likely roll through the rest of the Pac-10 season.

But Notre Dame, following its offensive execution against Purdue, could also enter the game with the same confidence that comes from eight straight victories. And if the Irish can muster the same type of balance it found Saturday, that game could get interesting.

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Walker runs all over Boilermakers

Tailback shows no sign of slump, gains 219 total yards

By ERIC RETTER
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Brady Quinn threw for 316 yards and two touchdowns, and Rhema McKnight caught a career-high ten passes for 120 yards. But running back Darius Walker carried the offense Saturday.

Walker carried the ball 31 times for 146 yards — both season highs — and rushed for a touchdown in No. 12 Notre Dame's 35-21 win over Purdue. His yardage total surpassed his combined totals of the last three games, where he had managed only 128 yards on 41 carries, and it marked his 10th career 100-yard game.

The performance was his second-best career rushing total and his first 100-yard game since the 2005 regular season finale against Stanford when he picked up a personal-best 186 yards on 35 carries. But his effectiveness wasn't limited to the ground. Walker also caught 9 passes for 73 yards — both career highs — and he is now tied with wide receiver Rhema McKnight for the team lead in receptions with 32.

"I definitely think I got into a rhythm as the game went on, especially being able to touch it from different facets [of the offense]," Walker said.

Walker touched the ball on the first play from scrimmage and didn't stop getting it until the end of the game, by which point he had racked up 41 touches and accounted for 219 of the Irish's 454 total offensive yards.

"It's nice, it's really nice [to get ball so much]," he said. "At the same time, it's a lot of work, running the ball, catching the ball, blocking, all of that, but it's definitely a running back's responsibility and I definitely welcome the challenge."

Walker's success changed the fortunes of an Irish ground game that has struggled.

"It was very important to me [to have a strong game]," Walker said. "We really wanted to make a conscious effort to start fast so we could work on our running game and work on our offense, and I think we achieved that."

Walker was the primary reason the Irish got off to a strong start on Saturday, as he got the ball in 11 of Notre Dame's first 12 plays from scrimmage. During Notre Dame's initial drive, Walker accounted for every yard except the final 11 that freshman George West picked up on an end-around that went for a score.

But Walker was not upset that he wasn't



Irish running back Darius Walker sprints past Boilermakers linebacker Jared Zwilling. Walker had 146 yards rushing and 73 receiving in Notre Dame's 35-21 win.

allowed to finish the drive.

"To be honest I always want the ball, but that's the great thing about our offense, anyone can get it in," he said.

Irish coach Charlie Weis said he planned to run the ball as much Notre Dame did on Saturday every week.

"I think that when it's all said and done, every time you play the game, you like to have balance," Weis said. "When you come out there and say you're going to establish the run and run it on every down, you usually have a good chance."

Despite Notre Dame's struggles with the ground game entering Saturday's contest, Purdue coach Joe Tiller wasn't surprised that Notre Dame elected to pound it away with Walker.

"They really like their tailback," he said. "I think I would let the big dog hunt if I were in their corner."

As a by-product of Walker's success, the pressure on the Notre Dame passing game abated, and the Irish air attack excelled.

"It opened the [air] game up tremendously," McKnight said. "Darius having a big game definitely set me, Jeff

[Samardzija] and Chase [Anastasio] up a whole heck of a lot."

Weis echoed McKnight's remarks.

"[When] now they're going to look to stopping the run, your play actions and things like that, now they become a little easier to complete," he said.

Walker credited his teammates for his individual accomplishments.

"I really give kudos to my offensive line," he said. "I'm really just a guy who gets the ball and runs through space."

He also understood that success of the Notre Dame offense rested on more than just him improving.

"It has to be the focus of 11 players out there," he said. "Each player knows that they have to do their job and do it right."

Walker took a brief moment to celebrate the performance. Asked if the Purdue defensive unit hit him harder than the gauntlet the Notre Dame running backs run through during practice, he had a quick answer.

"Definitely the gauntlet," he said.

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scoring summary

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Purdue	7	7	0	7	21
Notre Dame	14	14	7	0	35

First quarter

Notre Dame 7, Purdue 0

George West 11-yard run with 11:46 remaining. (Carl Gioia kick)

Drive: 7 plays, 70 yards, 3:14 elapsed

Notre Dame 7, Purdue 7

Kory Sheets 7-yard run with 3:35 remaining. (Chris Summers kick)

Drive: 6 plays, 86 yards, 3:10 elapsed

Notre Dame 14, Purdue 7

Darius Walker 14-yard run with 0:42 remaining. (Gioia kick)

Drive: 7 plays, 78 yards, 2:53 elapsed

Second quarter

Notre Dame 21, Purdue 7

Rhema McKnight 6-yard reception from Brady Quinn with 8:50 remaining. (Gioia kick)

Drive: 10 plays, 72 yards, 4:04 elapsed

Notre Dame 28, Purdue 7

Jeff Samardzija 5-yard run with 1:22 remaining. (Gioia kick)

Drive: 12 plays, 66 yards, 5:46 elapsed

Notre Dame 28, Purdue 14

Selwyn Lymon 88-yard reception from Curtis Painter. (Summers kick)

Drive: 2 plays, 88 yards, 0:32 elapsed

Third quarter

Notre Dame 35, Purdue 14

McKnight 12-yard reception from Quinn. (Gioia kick)

Drive: 8 plays, 64 yards, 4:05 elapsed

Fourth quarter

Notre Dame 35, Purdue 21

Lymon 9-yard pass from Painter. (Summers kick)

Drive: 10 plays, 87 yards, 2:49 elapsed

statistics

total yards

ND	454
PURDUE	400

rushing yards

ND	138
PURDUE	92

passing yards

ND	316
PURDUE	308

return yards

ND	62
PURDUE	111

time of possession

ND	38:01
PURDUE	31:59



18-92	rushes-yards	43-138
23-46-0	comp-att-int	29-38-0
6-131	punts-yards	3-60
1-1	fumbles-lost	0-0
8-74	penalties-yards	5-36
24	first downs	33

passing

Painter	23-46-0	Quinn	29-38-0
rushing			
Sheets	7-47	Walker	31-146
Painter	6-24	Prince	2-7
Taylor	3-21	West	1-11
Camacho	1-3	Samardzija	1-5
Bryant	1-(-3)	McConnell	1-0

receiving

Lymon	8-238	McKnight	10-120
Keller	5-36	Walker	9-73
Bryant	3-41	Carlson	5-62
Orton	2-35	Samardzija	4-46
Sheets	2-2	Anastasio	1-15

tackles

Spencer	15	Lambert	11
Bick	10	Ndukwe	8
Vinson	9	Ferrine	5
Avril	8	Crum	5
Keglar	6	Zbikowski	4
Hall	6	Landri	3
Magee	5	Brockington	3
Ferguson	4	Abiamiri	2
Scott	4	Laws	2
Adams	3	Walls	1

Thomas sits after injury in MSU game

Brockington replaces senior linebacker, Anastasio and Walls fill in for missing Grimes

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

Irish senior linebacker Joe Brockington started in place of Travis Thomas Saturday.

Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said Thomas was injured during the last play of the Michigan State game and it was a game-time decision to sit him out. Weis said an MRI on Thomas' ribs was negative but he kept Thomas out of the game for precautionary reasons.

"We felt that the safest thing to do would be we would wait until game-time with him, but you know he just didn't feel right," Weis said.

Lymon has record day

Selwyn Lymon's 238 receiving yards was the most ever by an Irish opponent and the second most in Purdue history, behind only former Boilermakers receiver Chris Daniels. Daniels

caught 22 passes for 301 yards against Michigan State in 1999.

"Selywn had a nice game," Purdue coach Joe Tiller said. "He was not featured going into the game [but] he was open and he caught the ball."

Grimes out with injury

Irish sophomore receiver and kick returner David Grimes missed the game with an injury suffered in practice and was replaced by Chase Anastasio as the No. 3 receiver and Darrin Walls as the kick returner.

Weis said Grimes was questionable all week and, like the call with Thomas, came down to a game-time decision. Filling in, Anastasio had one catch for 15 yards and Walls returned two kick-offs for 44 yards.

Anastasio's 15-yard reception in the second quarter was his first in the 2006 season and his first reception since Oct. 2, 2004, also

against Purdue.

"I think two balls went in Chase's direction yesterday," Weis said. "I think that it all depends on how the coverage goes to where the ball ends up going. But I don't think you noticed him in a negative vein either."

But Weis said he is sticking with Grimes as the kick returner and No. 3 receiver.

"I told [Grimes] I would go with him, that he deserves to be a No. 3 receiver and an elite kick returner," Weis said.

Burkhart makes debut

Freshman kicker Ryan Burkhart made his Notre Dame debut on the kickoff following Notre Dame's first score of the game. Filling in for kickoff specialist Bobby Renkes, who strained a muscle in his leg during practice this week, Burkhart kicked off every time the Irish were kicking with the wind, and senior Carl Gioia kicked off the one time Notre Dame

went into the breeze.

McKnight moves up all-time reception list

Rhema McKnight's 10 catches Sunday give him 135 for his career, good for fourth all-time for the Irish. He moved past Ken MacAfee, Derrick Mayes and Maurice Stovall on the all-time catch list for Notre Dame.

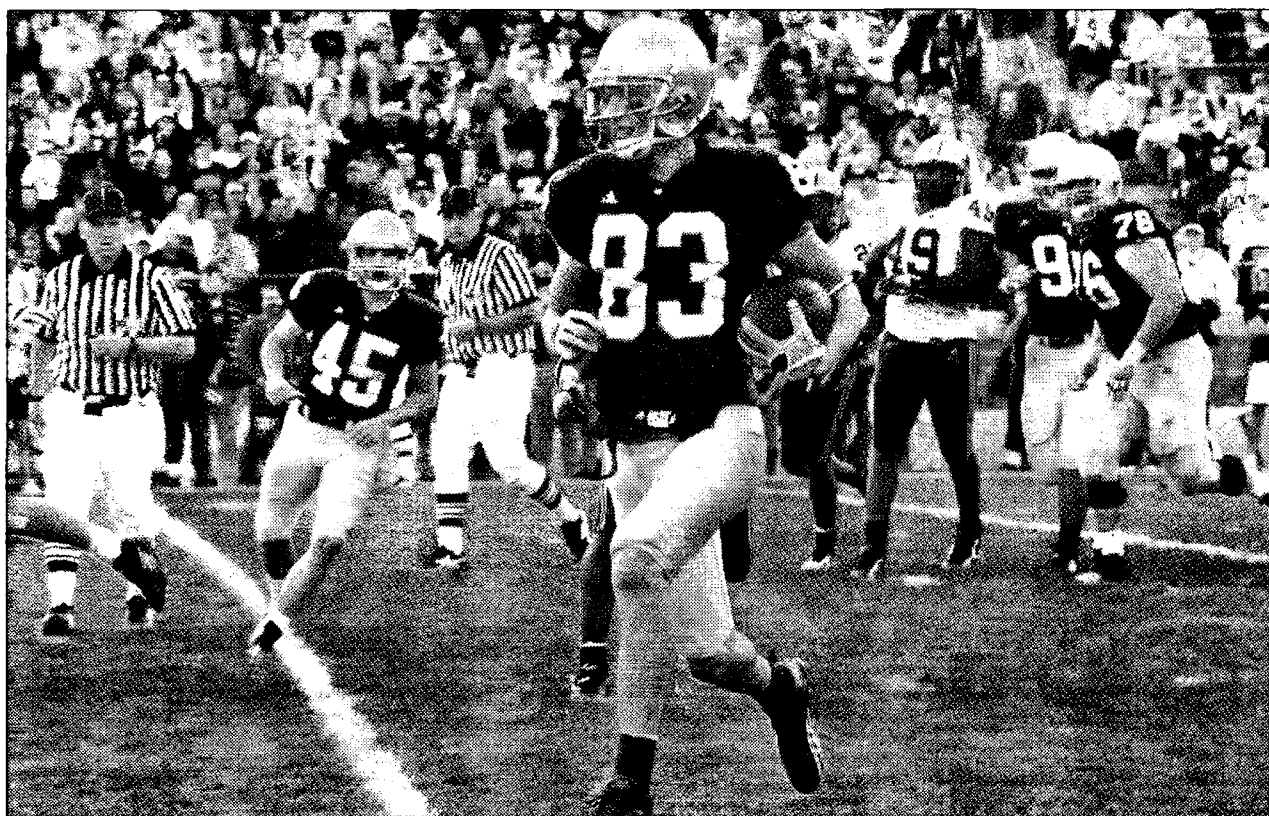
Tom Gatewood tops the list with 157 career receptions.

1966 team honored

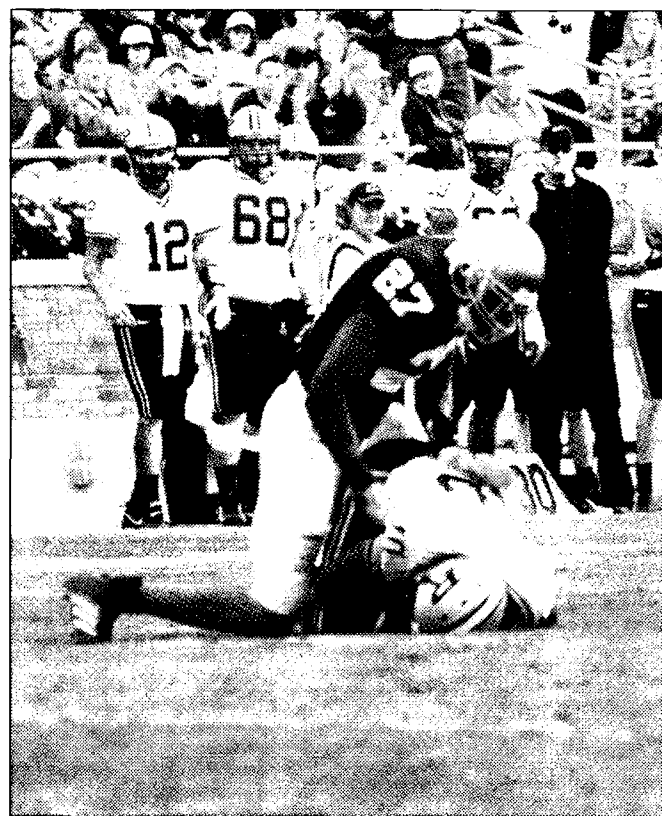
Notre Dame officially honored the 1966 National Championship team before the game.

The 1966 Irish team finished with a 9-0-1 record that year with the only tie coming against Michigan State Nov. 19. The team gave up just 38 points in 10 games while averaging 36 points per game on offense.

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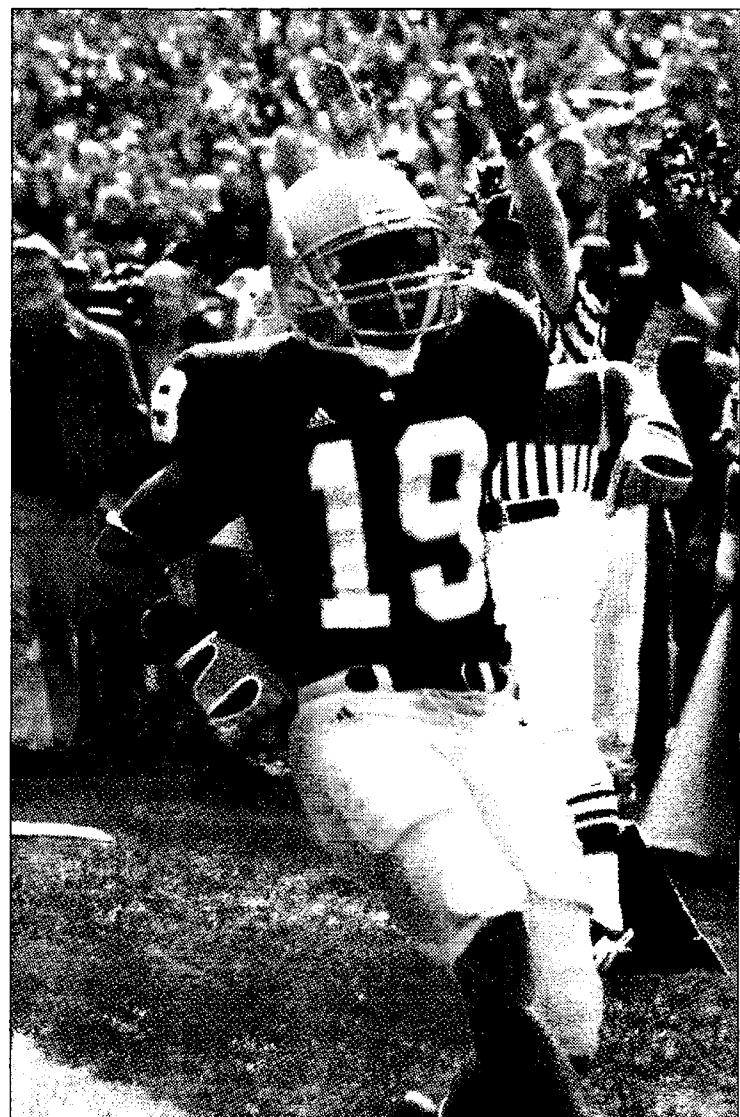
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BEATING THE DRUM

Brady Quinn tore through the Purdue secondary for 316 yards and two touchdowns en route to a 35-21 Notre Dame victory. It was the third straight year Quinn threw for over 300 yards against the Boilermakers. Darius Walker also got in the mix, gaining 219 yards — 146 rushing and 73 receiving. The Irish secondary had a hard time containing quarterback Curtis Painter and wide receiver Selwyn Lymon, who hooked up for two touchdowns and 238 yards — the most yards ever by an opposing wide receiver. But it wasn't enough for the Boilermakers, as The World's Biggest Drum went home with a loss.



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Top left, Irish receiver Jeff Samardzija runs for a touchdown on a fake field goal. Top right, Notre Dame safety David Bruton tackles Purdue punt returner Royce Adams. Center, Irish defensive back Terrail Lambert lays a hit on Boilermakers receiver Dorian Bryant while Maurice Crum (40) and Chinedum Ndukwe converge on the play. Bottom left, Darius Walker cuts through the Purdue defense. Bottom right, Irish receiver George West celebrates his first-quarter end-around touchdown run.



Downloading ruins full album experience

Songs and cover art ignored with steady spread of digital music

By MICHELLE FORDICE
Scene Writer

Getting music is so easy nowadays it doesn't even take the effort of standing up. Whip out a credit card, connect to the Internet, click a button and there it is — downloaded and ready for you listen to.

Downloading has changed the face of the music industry — the famous Billboard magazine has adjusted its rating system to account for digital sales, pirating of music still puts music producers on edge, and even Wal-Mart has launched a system for buying digital music (sorry Apple aficionados, its 88 cent songs are not compatible with your iPod).

Consumers can get music faster, cheaper and much more conveniently by downloading instead of purchasing an actual CD. But this has also changed the way we experience and how we listen to music. Our auditory culture seems to be regressing to a time where hit-singles dominated sales and determined the music industry's direction. People are listening to albums less and less, instead buying single songs.

Even cover art is losing its importance as music loses its tangibility. Downloading is making the acquisition of music easier, but it's also denying many artists the ability to present a unified and multi-sensory vision to their audiences.

Not all of the fallout from digital downloads has been negative. Downloading has improved many facets of the music industry. Obviously, it makes purchasing music faster and easier. The consumer no longer has to take a trip to the store or even wait days or weeks for an online purchase to arrive in the mail. In turn, this convenience can theoretically encourage more diversity in music selection simply because there is less of a cost to buying something unfamiliar.

Downloading is in many ways cheaper. Producers of downloadable music save on many of the costs of packaging and delivering the item, so they can cut the price. Currently, at least three of the tra-

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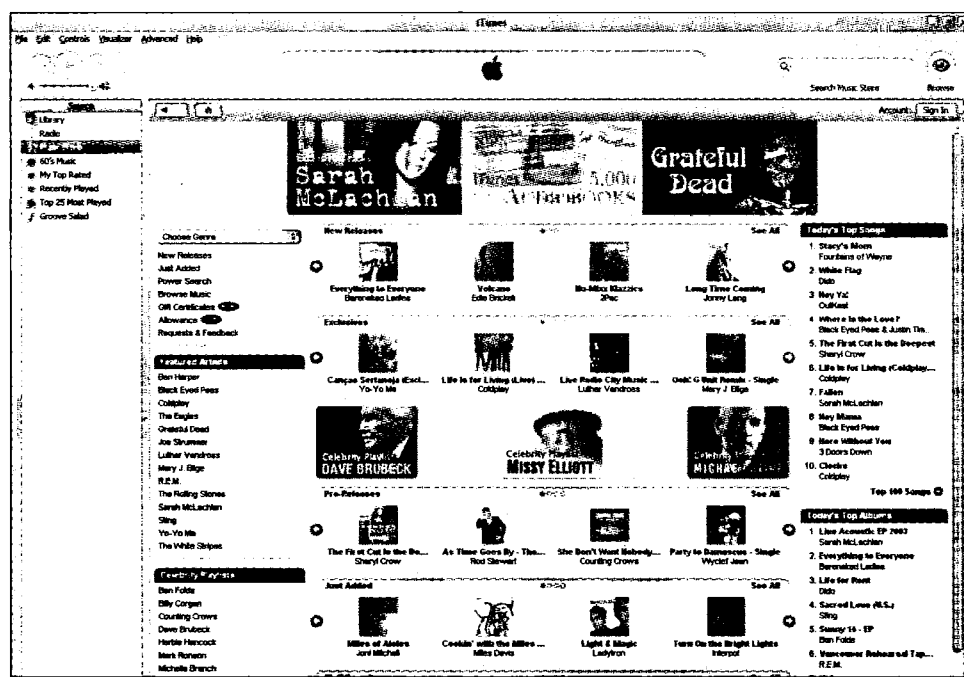


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iTunes has made accessing legal music even easier, but instead of trying new music, consumers download and listen to the same songs over and over.

ditional Big Four music labels — EMI, Sony BMG and Warner Music — have been pushing Apple to convert its iTunes to follow tiered pricing — instead of simply charging one dollar per song — in order to compete more equitably with their sales. And though Max Hole, an executive vice president of marketing at the last of the Big Four — Universal Music — has been reported by Macworld to say that 90 percent of what they sell is "material goods," downloading is only increasing its competition with the standard music producer. Soon, it will dominate more of the market.

It's wonderful that a single click is all that separates listeners from that song on the radio that has been stuck in their heads for days, but people don't seem to buy albums anymore. Downloading has worsened the inundation that started with radio stations constantly playing the same songs over and over again.

In general, people are not using the cheaper cost of music to try something new or even pick up an album that includes a song they like. Instead they

are buying the same single they have heard everywhere, and they won't even try out the album that the single was on. There's no investment in the artist's full performance, just a simple grab for what is familiar.

Rock operas, which differ from the standard rock and roll album by featuring songs that directly relate to each other, are still popular if you consider a classic like The Who's "Tommy" released in 1969. But new albums are becoming rarer. AOR (Album-oriented rock) radio stations that tried to play sets of songs together instead of one at a time mostly died out by the '90s. Concept albums, which group songs that expose a common theme that can be defined by either content or musicality, are more popular, such as Green Day's "American Idiot."

Still, once again they are being pulled apart into singles. Everyone has heard the song "American Idiot" by now, but fewer have heard the album's other tracks. Everyone seems to be listening to more music as they make use of portable

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music players, but they mostly utilize the device's shuffle features. The entire concept of an iPod shuffle is not to listen to any album, but to listen to a mixture of randomly selected songs. Aptly, the Grammy's only awarded album art during its heights, from 1959-1961 and 1969-1973. This trend in reducing albums to singles sadly breaks the integrity of these albums.

Sadly, album art has fallen to the wayside. Today's downloads and the majority of CDs don't provide the same memorable images that Pink Floyd's "The Dark Side of the Moon" or the Beatles' "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" still do. Neither does modern album art bring up as much controversy as the Rolling Stone's "Sticky Fingers" or as much speculation as the Beatles' "Abbey Road" and its supposed "Paul is Dead" clues. The cover art created for the soundtrack of "South Pacific" in 1949 by Alex Sterinweiss, who first proposed album covers to Columbia in 1939, remains the second longest graphic in continuous use, just short of the famous Coca-Cola bottle.

Album art was first cut in size when the industry moved from vinyl to compact discs. There were still some memorable covers, but they got farther and fewer between. In the current era digital downloads, cover art is threatening to disappear completely. It does seem to be making a small comeback within the latest edition of iTunes, which allows you to flip through your collection using digital images of the album covers. But it remains an afterthought, failing to provide the same feeling of tangibility or the same importance.

It can't be denied that downloading has had a positive effect on many aspects of the music industry. The current ease of getting music is such that it seems to outweigh many of its more subtle disadvantages. Still, it seems unfortunate that music production and consumption is changing in a way that seems to devalue the entire experience of investing in an album and gaining an appreciation of its complete vision.

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Green Day's latest album "American Idiot" is a concept album meant to be listened to in its entirety, but many fans have only heard the album's titular single.

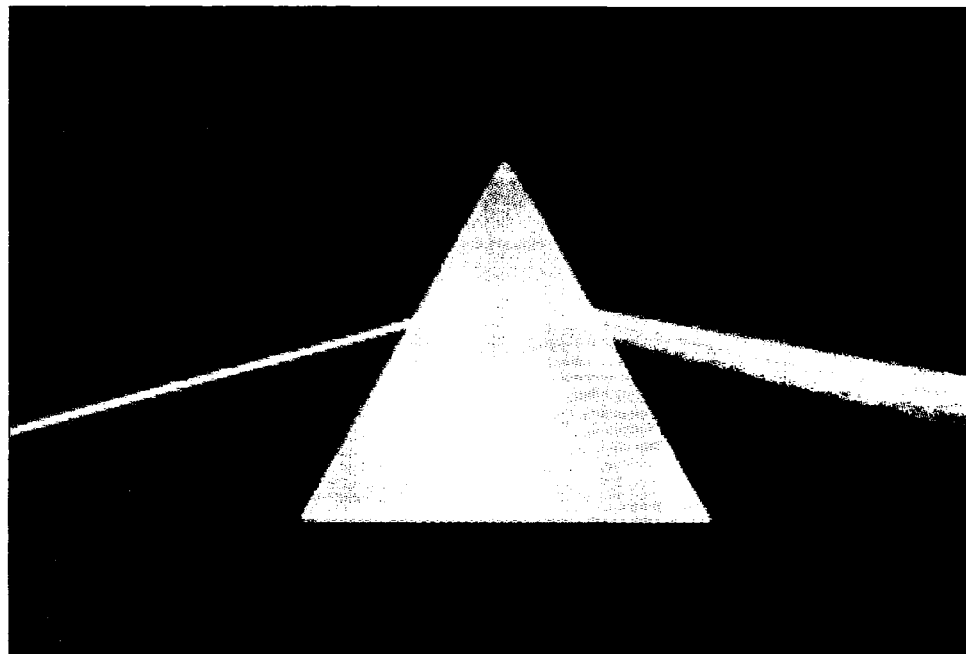


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Pink Floyd's "The Dark Side of the Moon" remains one of the most memorable album covers in music history. Cover art is currently suffering due to downloading.

MLB — WRAPS

Smoltz, Braves end Astros' playoff dreams

Tigers blow six-run lead against Royals to lose fifth consecutive game, Twins take the AL Central title

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Only two weeks ago, the Houston Astros were such a long shot to make the playoffs that it didn't seem they even had a chance to finish .500.

The Astros then took off on a determined comeback attempt that was so impressive manager Phil Garner couldn't believe his team fell short of the playoffs with Sunday's 3-1 loss to the Atlanta Braves on the last day of the season.

"I really got to believing we were going to carry this out," Garner said after the defending NL champion Astros were eliminated from the Central race.

Added Garner: "I am a little disappointed and a little surprised we didn't win today."

The Astros outthit the Braves 9-3, but they left 11 on base and committed two errors that led to two unearned runs.

John Smoltz pitched six shutout innings and relievers Tyler Yates and Bob Wickman finished the game with 2 1/3 perfect innings to end any comeback hopes.

The Astros' loss clinched the division title for the St. Louis Cardinals.

Houston trailed the Cardinals by 8 1/2 games on Aug. 19, when the Astros were 72-78. They pulled within a half-game of the lead with a nine-game winning

streak that ended Friday night at Atlanta.

The Astros went into the final day trailing St. Louis by 1 1/2 games and finished at 82-80. If Houston had won and St. Louis had lost to Milwaukee, the Cardinals would've had to play a makeup game Monday against San Francisco.

Some Houston players had difficulty accepting there would be no postseason.

"It's a little bit like somebody swept the rug out from under you," said reliever Brad Lidge. "It's a little shocking."

Royals 10, Tigers 8

The Detroit Tigers head to Yankee Stadium for the playoffs, knowing all too well how close they were to winning the AL Central title and opening at home.

Needing one more victory to clinch the division, the sagging Tigers lost their final five games of the season. They wound up with the wild card after Sunday's disappointment — wasting a six-run lead and then watching All-Star starter Kenny Rogers lose in relief to the last-place Kansas City Royals in 12 innings.

"We got beat," Tigers center fielder Curtis Granderson said. "Kansas City played great. They outthit us, they outscored us and we ended up getting swept by them."



Detroit pitcher Todd Jones sits on the bench in the 12th inning of the Tigers 10-8 loss to the Royals Sunday. The Tigers blew a six-run lead to lose both the game and the AL central.

Detroit will open the playoffs on the road Tuesday night against the Yankees.

"Once we get to New York, we'll be ready to go," first baseman Sean Casey said. "It's a new season come Tuesday night."

Nate Robertson will start for Detroit in Game 1 and rookie Justin Verlander (17-9) is scheduled to pitch Game 2.

"It's a lot easier to beat them three out of five than four out of seven," Tigers manager Jim Leyland said. "We needed our

pitchers to give us more than we got in the last five days. If we keep pitching like this, nothing else is going to matter."

Rogers (17-8) will start Game 3 at Comerica Park and Jeremy Bonderman (14-8) will pitch Game 4, if necessary. Rogers and Bonderman both worked Sunday.

Minnesota wound up as the Central champion, and will start the playoffs at home against Oakland.

Twins 5, White Sox 1

The Homer Hankies will be waving in the Metrodome again this postseason, and a little sooner than expected.

The Twins took home another AL Central championship on Sunday and Joe Mauer became the first catcher to win an American League batting title by getting two hits in Minnesota's victory over the Chicago White Sox.

About 35 minutes after Minnesota's game ended, the Kansas City Royals completed a big comeback and beat the Detroit Tigers 10-8 in 12 innings — giving the Twins their fourth division title in five years.

After starting the season just 25-33, they will open the playoffs at home Tuesday against AL West champion Oakland with ace Johan Santana on the mound.

When asked if there could be a better script written, Michael

Cuddyer said, "Yeah, we win the World Series. That's a good script right there."

The Twins huddled in the dugout after the final out to watch the end of Detroit's game. When Esteban German got the go-ahead hit in the 12th for the Royals, Minnesota players leaped from the bench, spilled onto the field and starting high-fiving and hugging in a mass celebration.

More than 30,000 fans at the Metrodome stayed to watch the end of the Tigers' game and cheer in a euphoric scene.

"They said we couldn't do it!" Torii Hunter exclaimed over and over again in a champagne and beer-soaked clubhouse. "I'm going to buy the whole Kansas City team a bottle of champagne! Every one of them! Dom Perignon."

The Twins began the day tied with Detroit for first place, but they needed a victory AND a Tigers loss to win the division title because Detroit won the season series 11-8 against the Twins.

The Tigers get the AL wild card and will begin the postseason Tuesday night at Yankee Stadium.

Mauer went 2-for-4 to finish the season at .347, beating out New York's Derek Jeter (.343), for the batting crown, and Hunter homered for the Twins, who trailed the Tigers by 10 1/2 games on Aug. 7.



Atlanta closer Bob Wickman (28) celebrates with Braves catcher Brian McCann after the Braves 3-1 win over the Astros. Houston was eliminated from playoff contention with the loss.

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NCAA Football

Associated Press Top 25

	team	record	points	previous
1	Ohio State (62)	5-0	1622	1
2	Auburn (1)	5-0	1498	2
3	USC	4-0	1470	3
4	West Virginia	4-0	1395	4
5	Florida	5-0	1393	5
6	Michigan	5-0	1342	6
7	Texas	4-1	1204	7
8	Louisville	4-0	1165	8
9	LSU	4-1	1157	9
10	Georgia	5-0	968	10
11	Oregon	4-0	946	14
12	NOTRE DAME	4-1	921	12
13	Tennessee	4-1	824	15
14	Oklahoma	3-1	735	16
15	Clemson	4-1	689	18
16	California	4-1	633	20
17	Florida State	3-1	548	19
18	Georgia Tech	4-1	539	24
19	Iowa	4-1	444	13
20	Boise State	5-0	353	22
21	Virginia Tech	4-1	339	11
22	Nebraska	4-1	325	21
23	Missouri	5-0	208	25
24	Rutgers	5-0	178	23
25	Boston College	4-1	52	NR

NCAA Football

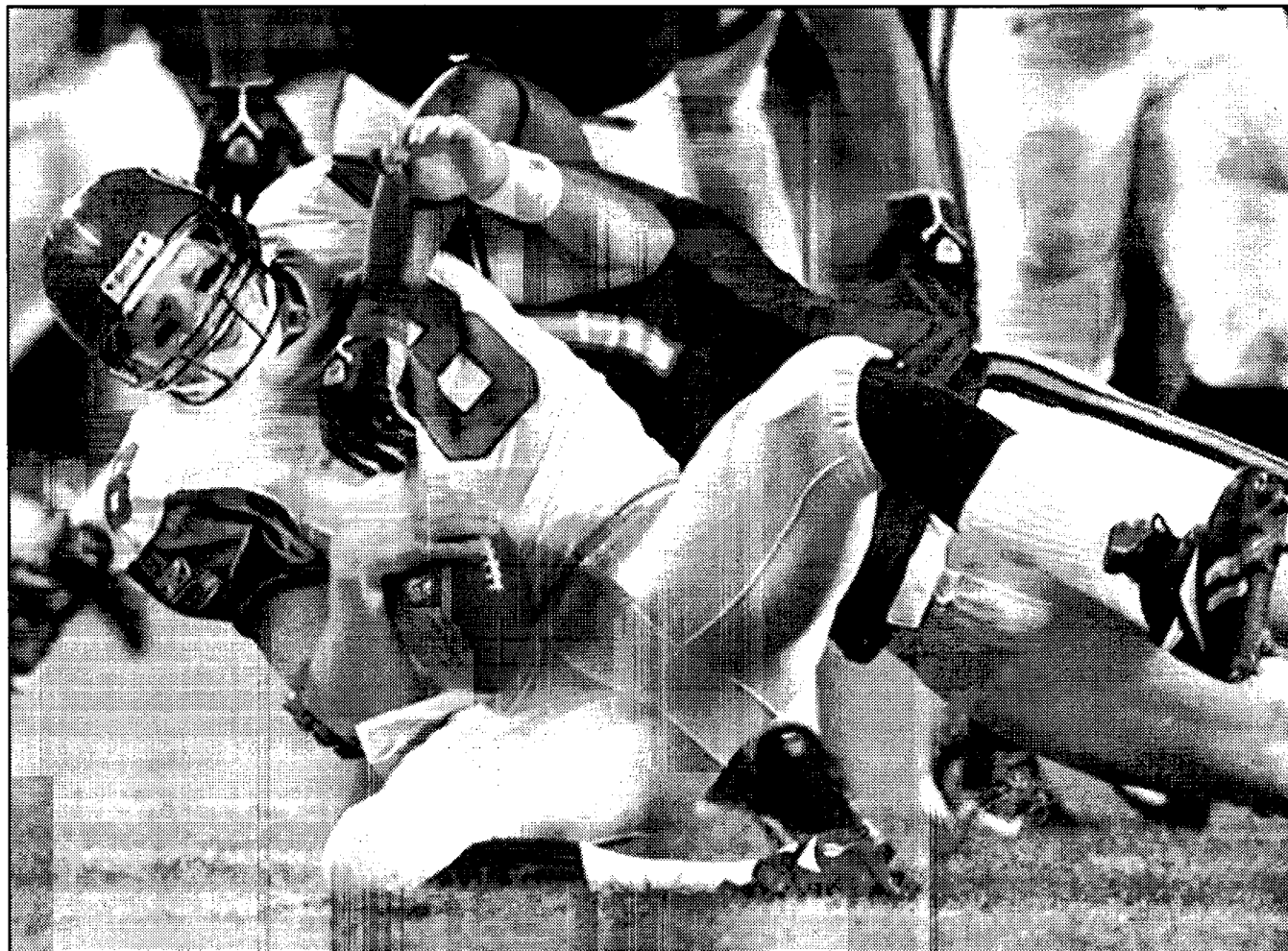
USA Today Coaches Poll

	team	record	points	previous
1	Ohio State (62)	5-0	1574	1
2	USC	4-0	1475	2
3	Auburn (1)	5-0	1418	3
4	West Virginia	4-0	1366	4
5	Florida	5-0	1309	5
6	Michigan	5-0	1277	6
7	Texas	4-1	1178	7
8	Louisville	4-0	1140	8
9	Georgia	5-0	1039	9
10	LSU	4-1	1038	10
11	Oregon	4-0	946	12
12	NOTRE DAME	4-1	851	14
13	Oklahoma	3-1	706	16
14	Tennessee	4-1	673	18
15	Clemson	4-1	657	19
16	Florida State	3-1	601	17
17	California	4-1	588	20
18	Virginia Tech	4-1	421	10
19	Iowa	4-1	418	13
20	Georgia Tech	4-1	347	NR
21	Boise State	5-0	344	22
22	Nebraska	4-1	326	21
23	Rutgers	5-0	192	23
24	Texas Tech	4-1	141	24
25	Missouri	5-0	136	NR

Harris Poll Rankings

	Team	record	points	previous
1	Ohio State (110)	5-0	2845	1
2	USC (2)	4-0	2637	2
3	Auburn (1)	5-0	2626	3
4	Michigan	5-0	2436	5
5	West Virginia	4-0	2388	6
5t	Florida	5-0	2388	4
7	Louisville	4-0	2093	7
8	Texas	4-1	2041	8
9	LSU	4-1	1922	10
10	Georgia	5-0	1784	9
11	Oregon	4-0	1681	13
12	NOTRE DAME	4-1	1622	12
13	Tennessee	4-1	1427	15
14	Oklahoma	3-1	1292	16
15	Clemson	4-1	1137	19

NFL



Seahawks quarterback Matt Hasselbeck, front, is sacked for a 10-yard loss by Bears defensive tackle Tommie Harris in the first quarter of Chicago's 37-6 victory at Soldier Field Sunday.

Seahawks can't get off ground against Bears

Associated Press

CHICAGO — The Chicago Bears showed how serious they are about contending for the NFC title, dominating the defending conference champions.

Rex Grossman threw for 232 yards and Ricky Manning Jr. intercepted two of Matt Hasselbeck's passes to lead Chicago to a 37-6 victory over the Seattle Seahawks on Sunday night.

Grossman had another solid performance, completing 17 of 31 passes with two touchdowns and no interceptions, and the Bears improved to 4-0 for the first time since 1991. Bernard Berrian had three receptions for a career-high

108 yards and a touchdown.

The Bears also got their running game going after three sluggish performances, with Thomas Jones rushing for 98 yards and two touchdowns.

And the league's fourth-ranked defense shut down a Seahawks team that was missing injured running back Shaun Alexander.

With the Bears leading 10-3, Manning intercepted Hasselbeck twice in the second quarter to set up a field goal and touchdown.

Hasselbeck was 16-of-35 for 196 yards and did not throw a touchdown, after tying a franchise record with five scoring passes the previous week in a 42-30

victory over the New York Giants. He was sacked five times — including twice each by Tommie Harris and Mark Anderson.

Maurice Morris started for Alexander and carried 11 times for 35 yards.

The league MVP, Alexander had been bothered by a bruised bone in his left foot before it cracked during last week's win over the Giants. Still, he hoped to play, saying the power of prayer had healed him and even jumping around for coach Mike Holmgren. A second round of tests on Wednesday showed the bone was still broken, so he sat for the first time since being drafted in 2000, and Morris

made the fifth start of his career.

The Seattle defense took a hit in the second quarter, when safety Michael Boulware suffered a concussion while breaking up a pass intended for Chicago's John Gilmore at the Seattle 1.

Sunday's game was the ninth between the two teams and their first in three years.

The Bears thought they were on course to meet Seattle in the playoffs last season, when they earned a first-round bye, but Carolina knocked them off at Soldier Field. The Seahawks beat the Panthers the next week to advance to the Super Bowl.

IN BRIEF

Mauer becomes first catcher to win AL hitting crown

NEW YORK — Jose Mauer became the first catcher to win the American League batting title, going 2-for-4 for the Minnesota Twins on the final day of the regular season to hold off the New York Yankees' Derek Jeter.

Mauer's doubled and singled against the Chicago White Sox, leaving his average at .347 down from a high of .392 on July 1 but good enough to best Jeter, who went 1-for-5 against Toronto and wound up at .343.

"You couldn't really not think about it," Mauer said. "There were so many questions. Scores on the board, people saying you need to do this, do that. I've never been so nervous in my life. I'm just happy it's all over with and we're here celebrating."

Mauer became the first catcher to win a batting title in either league since Ernie Lombardi hit .330 for the 1942 Boston Braves.

Titans lineman Haynesworth stomps on Cowboys center

DALLAS — Cowboys center Gurode needed stitches above his forehead and beneath his eye Sunday after being kicked twice by Titans defensive tackle Albert Haynesworth.

The incident occurred after Dallas had taken a two-touchdown lead in the third quarter.

Gurode's helmet came off after the scoring play, a 5-yard run by Julius Jones, and Haynesworth, standing over him, used his right foot to kick Gurode in the head.

Gurode said they hadn't been talking or having any exchanges that led to Haynesworth kicking him twice.

"In all my years of football, this has never happened to me," Gurode said. "I've never seen anybody kick nobody else in the face."

Haynesworth, who was ejected, expects to be disciplined.

"What I did out there was disgusting," Haynesworth said.

Trahan takes home State Farm title on third playoff hole

MADISON, Miss. — D.J. Trahan wasn't happy with his putting Sunday until he got to a playoff in the Southern Farm Bureau Classic.

After finishing regulation with a par to force the playoff with Joe Durant, Trahan put on an overtime putting clinic, birdieing the par-5 18th three straight times in sudden death to win his first PGA Tour title.

"Nothing really changed to be honest with you," Trahan said. "I was stroking the ball the same. I made the putts on 17 and I made the putts in the playoffs. I didn't feel like I was stroking it any different or my mentality with the putter was any different. But fortunately for me those putts were going in, unlike the ones earlier in the day."

Trahan won with a 5-foot birdie putt on the third extra hole after closing with a 1-under 71 to match Durant (66) at 13-under 275 on the Annandale Golf Club course.

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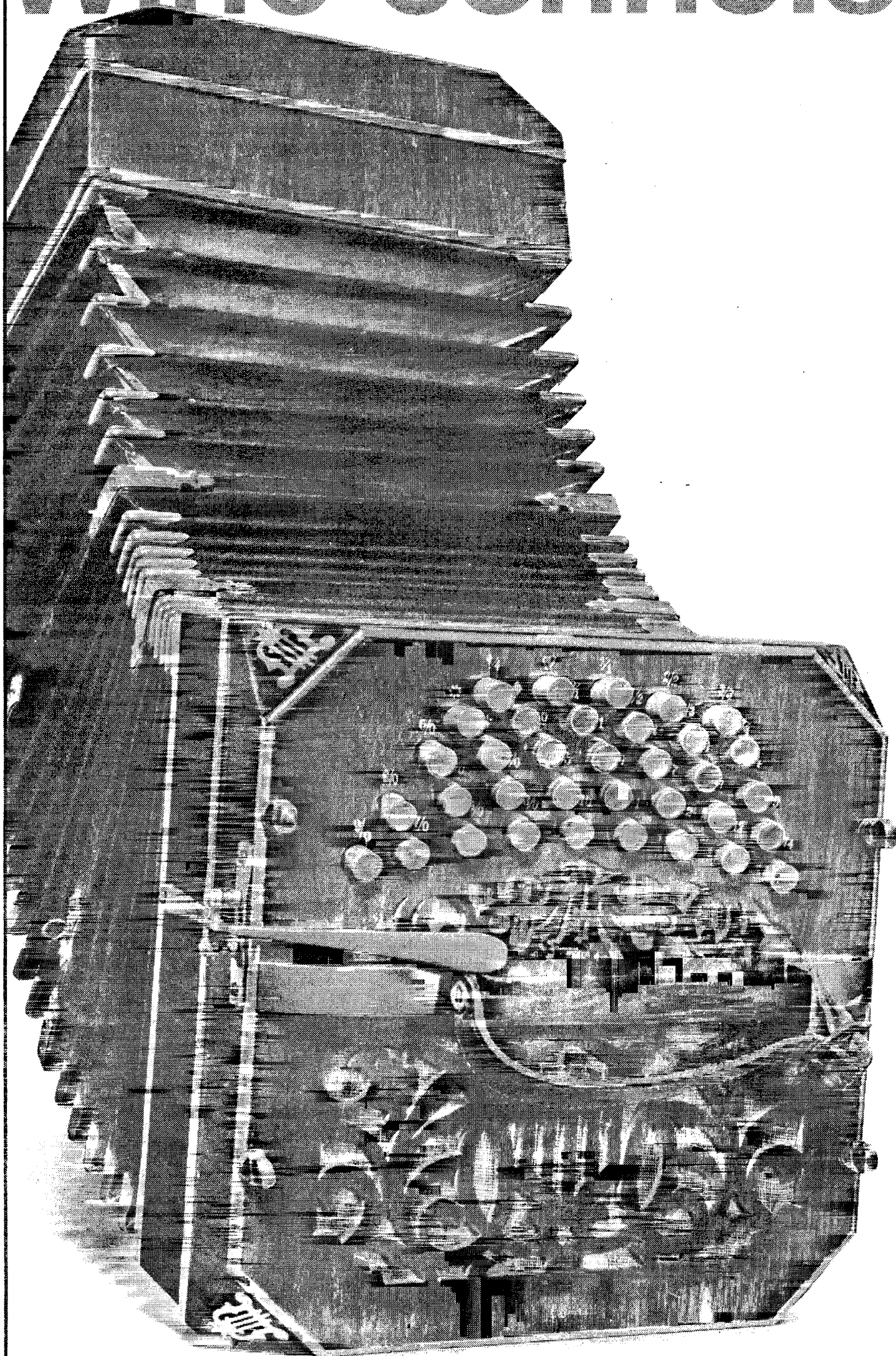
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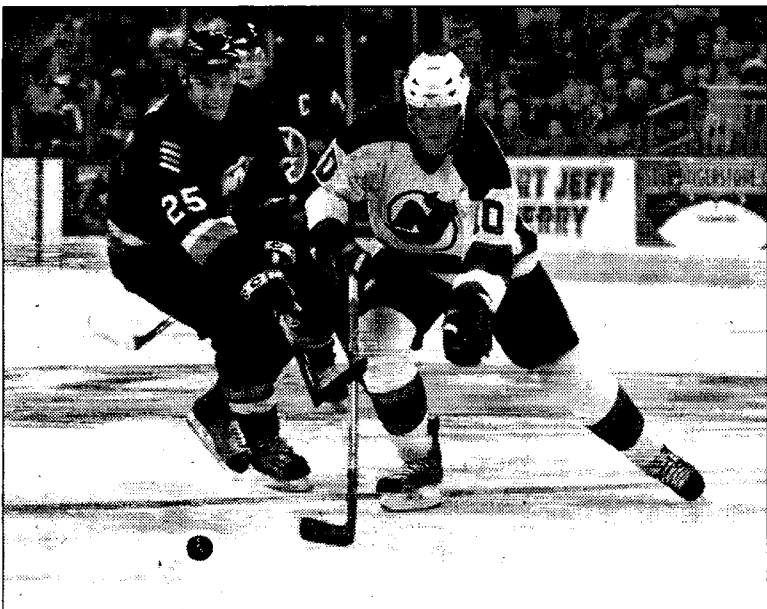
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NHL

Devils make trade with salary cap in mind

New Jersey sends Malakhov, first rounder to San Jose for Fahey, Korolyuk; saves organization \$3.6 million



Devils defender Eric Rasmussen, right, skates ahead of Islanders winger Viktor Kozlov during New York's 3-0 preseason win on Saturday.

Associated Press

The New Jersey Devils made a major move to get under the NHL salary cap Sunday by sending suspended defenseman Vladimir Malakhov and a conditional first-round draft pick to San Jose for defenseman Jim Fahey and the rights to left wing Alexander Korolyuk.

The deal will save the Devils \$3.6 million on their cap — Malakhov's salary — and it probably won't cost New Jersey much because Korolyuk will play in Russia again this season and Fahey might not make the roster.

With the NHL season scheduled to open this week, Devils president and general manager Lou Lamoriello has been desperate to make some moves to

get under the NHL's \$44 million salary cap.

Lamoriello would not say whether the Devils will have to make more moves before the season opens on Friday in Carolina against the Stanley Cup champion Hurricanes.

However, he still has to sign right wing Brian Gionta, who scored a team-record 48 goals last season, defenseman Paul Martin, and back-up goaltender Scott Clemmensen. So there might be another deal in the works.

"We'll take it one thing at a time," Lamoriello said in a telephone call from his office in

East Rutherford, N.J.

The Devils were pushed over the cap limit this summer when they signed forward Patrik Elias to a seven-year, \$42 million contract — a \$7.5 million contract this season — and center Scott Gomez was awarded \$5 million by an arbitrator.

The Devils, who also signed Jamie Langenbrunner in the offseason, also owed Malakhov and forward Alexander

Mogilny some \$7.1 million this season, even though they will not be on the team. They were signed as free agents last season, but they were dropped from the roster for poor play.

Mogilny was sent to the minors, and Malakhov first retired and then was suspended by the team.

Since they were both over 35-years-old when they signed last year, their salaries counted against the Devils' salary cap.

Lamoriello has petitioned the NHL to have Mogilny's salary removed from the cap because of a long-term hip injury.

The 30-year-old Korolyuk had 19 goals and 15 assists in 45 games for Vityaz Chekhov in Russia. He last played in the NHL for the Sharks in 2003-04.

"We're getting an exceptional hockey player who could play for us next year," said Lamoriello, who refused to reveal the conditions placed on the first-round pick sent to the Sharks.

Fahey appeared in 21 games for the Sharks last season and had two assists.

"We'll have to take a look at him," Lamoriello said of Fahey.

The 38-year-old Malakhov had four goals and five assists in 29 games with the Devils. He has played in 712 NHL games with the New York Islanders, Montreal, New Jersey, the New York Rangers and Philadelphia.

"We're getting an exceptional hockey player."

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MLB

Emotional MacPhail resigns as Cubs CEO

President apologizes for lack of success over his twelve years

Associated Press

CHICAGO — An emotional Andy MacPhail resigned Sunday as president and CEO of the Chicago Cubs after failing to get the team to the World Series during his 12-year tenure.

"This is the first thing I've ever done in baseball that I didn't have a high level of success at," MacPhail said, his voice cracking.

The Cubs have made just two playoff appearances since MacPhail joined them in 1994 after he spent nine years with the Minnesota Twins, leading them to two World Series titles. Chicago finished its season Sunday at 66-96, the worst record in the NL.

"The clock on the MacPhail o-meter has run down to zero," said MacPhail, who told reporters he broached the subject of resigning during a team review with Tribune Co. executives in midseason. "It's not just that we had a terrible season. I've been here 12 seasons and only two postseason (appearances) and to me that's not what I came here to do. Obviously, I've not been as effective as I wanted to be."

Marketing vice president John McDonough will take over the club's day-to-day operation on an interim basis. MacPhail will stay on through the transition and do his work for the major league baseball negotiating committee.

MacPhail's grandfather and father were longtime baseball executives, and both are in the Hall of Fame.

"I've been in the business my entire life. I was born to it," MacPhail said. "I've done just about everything imaginable in it from selling program space in Midland, Texas, to scouting in the Midwest League, to being a GM, a president, negotiating a

collective bargaining agreement.

"There is one rule that applies to everything. You've got to win and if you don't win, it's subject to change."

Since MacPhail took over, the Cubs won the NL wild card in 1998 and the NL Central in 2003, when they fell five outs short of making the World Series.

The Cubs, who had a payroll of approximately \$95 million this season, haven't been to the World Series since 1908.

"This is a baseball decision. It's an issue of making sure our fans know that we are committed to winning," said Tribune Co. chairman, president and CEO Dennis Fitzsimons, adding his company has no plans to sell the Cubs. "Andy MacPhail has been committed to winning. For whatever reasons, it didn't work out. ... Andy said it best, we both felt we needed a change."

MacPhail couldn't repeat his baseball success from Minnesota despite a bigger payroll with a big-market team whose shrine-like home field is nearly always sold out or close to it. MacPhail was instrumental in a bleacher expansion project for Wrigley Field that was completed for the 2006 season.

Injuries played a big role the last several years, especially to the pitching staff, most notably Kerry Wood and Mark Prior. And 2005 NL batting champion Derrek Lee played in only 50 games this season after breaking his wrist and then attending to his daughter's health issues.

"Too much payroll has been sitting on the sideline. Nobody's fault," MacPhail said. "There has been too much of it and it hasn't been able to be applied on the field. Nothing in the way of excuses, just fact."

But poor play was also a part of his tenure and MacPhail acknowledged that while the Cubs had done a good job of developing pitchers, they hadn't done so with position players.

PGA

Tiger wins sixth in a row

Woods easily takes American Express leading wire-to-wire

Associated Press

CHANDLER'S CROSS, England — Good news for the rest of golf: Tiger Woods is going on vacation.

A streak that began 10 weeks ago on the sun-baked links of Hoylake reached six straight PGA Tour victories on the rain-drenched fairways north of London on Sunday when Woods went wire-to-wire in the American Express Championship. He became the first player in tour history to win at least eight times in three seasons.

Threatened only by the weather that twice delayed the inevitable, Woods closed with a 4-under 67 for an eight-shot victory over Adam Scott and Ian Poulter.

"He's dominating the game," Scott said. "It's not the first time he's done it, either."

The trophy in hand, Woods had one foot in a courtesy car that was ready to take him away when he took a few questions from the BBC. After playing seven times in the last nine weeks, he was eager to get home to Florida.

"I'm getting away for a little bit," Woods said. "As far as golf, I've had enough of it for a while."

This might have been his most dominating performance since the streak began at the British Open in July, and not just because the eight-shot victory was his largest margin

since winning by 11 at the 2003 Bay Hill Invitational.

Woods had such control over his game that he was third in driving distance and fifth in driving accuracy, missing only 12 fairways all week. And during one stretch, he hit 36 consecutive greens in regulation, a streak that ended when his approach on the 12th hole drifted left and into a bunker for his only bogey of the final round.

One other streak ended on the last hole of the tournament — it was the first time all week he failed to make eagle on the 567-yard closing hole at The Grove. His chip from just short of the green scooted by the cup and stopped a few feet away for a tap-in birdie that put him at 23-under 261.

"This was a fun week," he said. "I hit the ball really well — all 72 holes, really. It's fun when you can control your golf ball that well."

In a week remembered for the death of Byron Nelson, it rekindled curiosity whether Lord Byron's record in 1945 of 11 consecutive victories really is untouchable.

Woods wasn't ready to touch that one — yet.

"It's still a long way away," he said with a laugh. "If you look at it, I'm barely halfway. What he did was absolutely remarkable, and I'm just thrilled that I've been able to win six in a row twice. That to me is a pretty neat accomplishment in itself."

Woods won the final four PGA Tour events in 1999 and his first two starts in 2000 to match Ben Hogan (1948) for

the second-longest winning streak on the PGA Tour.

He passed Nelson, Hogan, Sam Snead and Arnold Palmer with his third PGA Tour season of at least eight victories. Woods won eight times in 1999 and nine times in 2000.

And he has at least one tournament left — the Tour Championship.

Woods probably won't decide until the last minute whether to play Disney in three weeks. Skipping that tournament, which has never been his favorite, would leave him one round short of being eligible for the Vardon Trophy for lowest scoring average.

Asked how much that award meant, Woods replied, "Not much."

"I've had a good year," he said. "But if you don't play enough rounds, you don't play enough rounds."

He might come up short because of missing the cut at the U.S. Open for the first time in a major. That was his first tournament back since his father died of cancer in May, and Woods has been nearly unstoppable since then.

The only two tournaments he didn't win was the Western Open (a tie for second) and the World Match Play Championship two weeks ago at Wentworth, a European Tour event that does not count toward his PGA Tour streak.

Woods successfully defended his title for the fifth time this year, and he is 10-of-15 in World Golf Championships that are stroke play.

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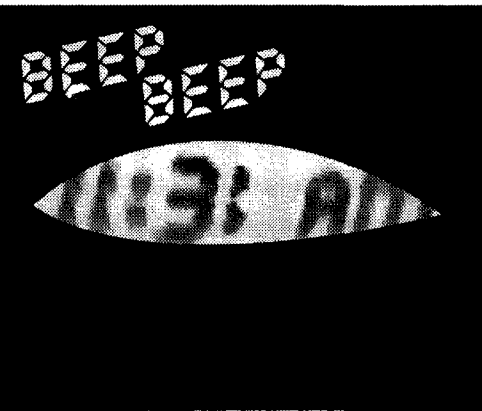
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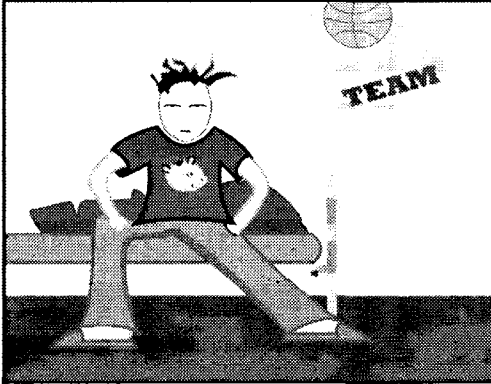
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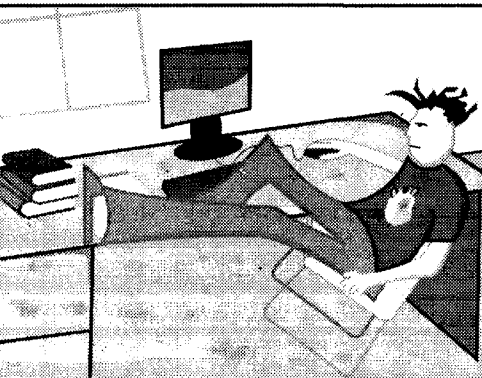
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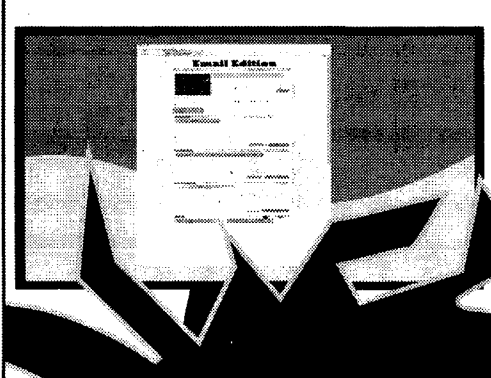
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NFL — WRAPS

Manning's late QB sneak gives Colts victory

Patriots use balanced offensive attack, two rushing touchdowns from Maroney to destroy favored Bengals

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Peyton Manning watched the fourth-quarter lead his Colts had just taken vanish in a flash when the New York Jets returned the ensuing kickoff 103 yards.

Cool, calm and ever the leader, the Indianapolis Colts quarterback just jogged back on the field with a little more than 2 minutes left and took charge.

"There truly never was any panic," Manning said. "When they ran the kickoff back, we were just getting back on the bench. We didn't have time to get mad or to panic."

They certainly had plenty of time to ruin the Jets' victory plans.

After Justin Miller's 103-yard dash gave New York the lead with 2:20 left, Manning led Indianapolis on the type of efficient drive that has defined his career — capping it with a 1-yard run that gave the Colts a wild 31-28 victory Sunday.

Manning was 6-of-8 for 60 yards on the drive, including a 19-yard pass to Marvin Harrison and a 15-yarder to Reggie Wayne that put the ball at the 1. Running the no-huddle offense, Manning then took the ball and pushed himself into the end zone.

"I was pumped," Manning said. "You practice those two-minute drills all the time. Everybody's played that back-yard game where you envision the last play of the game. Anytime you can do it in New York, it adds a little something to it."

Patriots 38, Bengals 13

Rookie running back Laurence Maroney got New England's offense rolling like old times.

Maroney ran for 125 yards and a pair of touchdowns Sunday, restoring balance to the Patriots' off-keel offense and setting up a victory over the Cincinnati Bengals that had a familiar feel.

"Kind of like the Patriots you guys were used to seeing," smiling quarterback Tom Brady said.

Only a week earlier, New England (3-1) was so pitiful on offense that Brady uncharacteristically waved his arms in frustration during a loss to Denver. The only time he lifted his arms Sunday was to signal another Patriots touchdown.

Maroney got the biggest ones.

Playing on the field where teammate Corey Dillon broke the single-game rushing record for Cincinnati in 2000, Maroney dodged and stiff-armed his way through the Bengals (3-1) on touchdown runs of 11 and 25 yards that set the tone.

"We knew coming in that the running game was going to play a major part in the game," said Maroney, who ran for only 18 yards against Denver. "That was No. 1 on our list — get the running game going."

Ravens 16, Chargers 13

The Baltimore Ravens have a new formula for success: Keep the game close enough for Steve McNair to win it at the end.

McNair rallied the unbeaten Ravens for a second straight

week Sunday, throwing a 10-yard pass to Todd Heap with 34 seconds left to defeat the San Diego Chargers.

In years past, the Ravens depended on their defense to squash the opposition, leaving the offense to do little else but avoid giving the ball away. Now that McNair is at quarterback, late-game heroics are becoming the standard.

"There was no doubt in my mind we would win this game when No. 9 went out there," said Ravens cornerback Samari Rolle, who played with McNair in Tennessee. "He's been through everything you can be through as a quarterback. He's been MVP. He's been in the Super Bowl. He's just got it."

Showing precisely why they obtained him in an offseason trade with the Titans, McNair went 4-for-5 for 43 yards and ran once for 12 yards during the final drive, which began after San Diego intentionally took a safety with 3:12 to go.

McNair never faced a third down during the march. After a 17-yard pass to Mark Clayton got the ball to the San Diego 35, McNair ran to the 23 and completed a 13-yarder to Clayton.

On second down, McNair found Heap for the game-winner, leaving the Ravens at 4-0 for the first time.

"If we don't make enough plays to win early, we can make plays to win the game late," linebacker Ray Lewis said. "That's why we brought him here."

Redskins 36, Jaguars 30 (OT)

In the first quarter, Washington Redskins receiver Santana Moss made a spin move that left Jacksonville Jaguars safety Deon Grant sprawled on the grass at the 11-yard line.

In the fourth quarter, Moss caught a pass and darted inside just in time to make cornerback Brian Williams whiff near the goal line.

Then in overtime, Moss dusted Grant and Williams at the same time, leaving them flat-footed on a 68-yard game-winning catch down the left sideline.

Three dazzling touchdowns.

With a playmaker like that, Mark Brunell didn't have to gloat about beating his old team — all he had to do was throw in No. 89's direction and watch his old colors look silly trying to make a tackle. Brunell-to-Moss resurrected the Redskins' season last year, and the combo came to life again in Sunday's 36-30 victory.

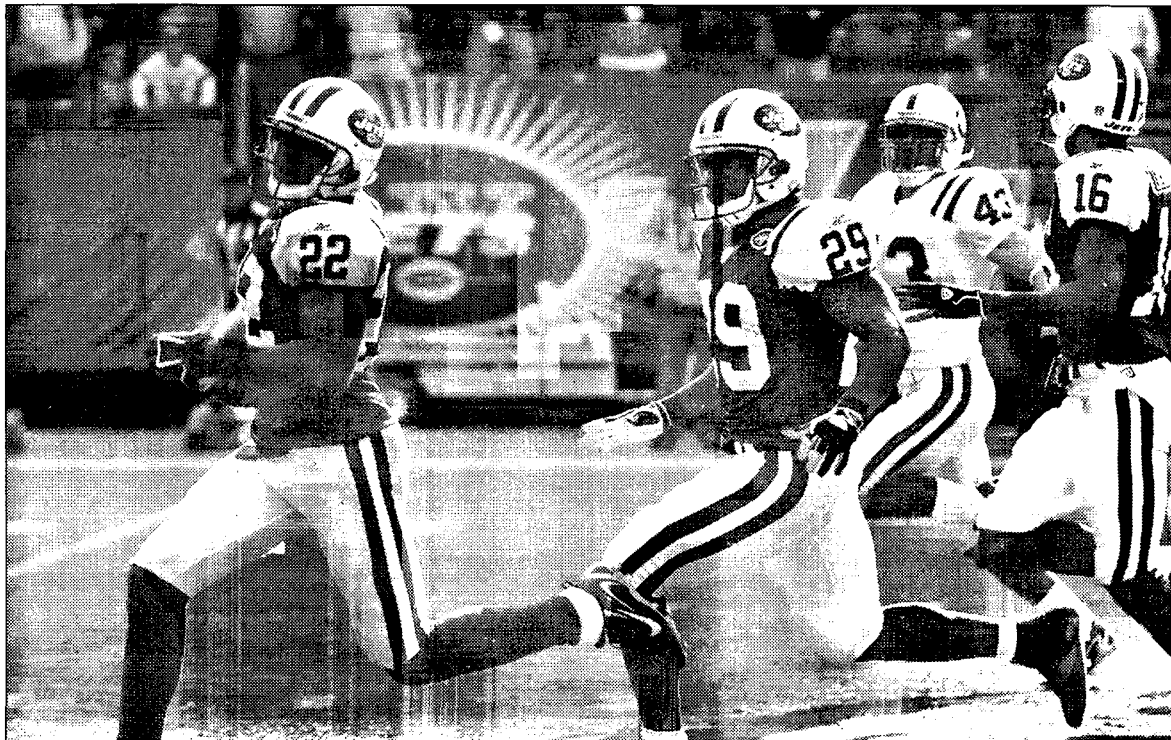
"He's the best after the catch I've played with," Brunell said. "He's exciting to watch. There's nothing he can't do."

Moss finished with four receptions for 138 yards, including TD catches of 55, 8 and 68 yards. Clinton Portis ran 27 times for 112 yards and a touchdown, becoming the first back in 13 games to get 100 against the Jaguars.

Panthers 21, Saints 18

Six days after their emotional return to New Orleans, the Saints were due for a letdown.

They still gave Carolina all it could handle — until Steve Smith got loose late.



Jets kick returner Justin Miller, far left, returns a kickoff for a 103-yard touchdown while being escorted by running back Leon Washington, middle, and Brad Smith, far right, Sunday.

Jake Delhomme threw a 4-yard touchdown pass to Drew Carter midway through the fourth quarter to put the Panthers ahead to stay as Carolina handed New Orleans its first loss of the season Sunday.

"We didn't come in here thinking there was going to be a letdown," cornerback Fred Thomas said. "We came in here emotional and played."

But Thomas had trouble containing Smith.

The All-Pro caught three passes for 35 yards on a 91-yard drive. Then, with the Saints focusing on Smith and Keyshawn Johnson, Delhomme lobbed a 4-yard pass to a wide open Carter to put Carolina ahead 14-10 with 7:15 left.

"Most definitely he wasn't 100 percent," Thomas said of Smith, who missed the first two games with a strained hamstring. "The guy is a competitor. He gets respect from around the league. He gets much respect from me."

DeShaun Foster's 43-yard touchdown run on third down with 1:45 left made it 21-10, with Johnson, brought in to give Smith help this season, throwing a big block.

Texans 17, Dolphins 15

On the brink of his first win as coach of the Houston Texans, Gary Kubiak couldn't bear to look.

Too bad, because if he'd turned around he would have seen No. 1 draft pick Mario Williams make a game-saving play. Williams tipped a two-point conversion that would have tied the game and finally got his first sack as the Texans beat Miami on Sunday.

The Dolphins trailed 17-9 when Daunte Culpepper found Chris Chambers for a 16-yard touchdown with 1:39 to go to pull within two. Miami went for the 2-point conversion, but the pass by running back Ronnie Brown was tipped by Williams and sailed over Chambers' head.

"He threw it and I just reached up and tipped it," Williams said. "I was in the right place at the right time."

The Dolphins (1-3) tried an onside kick and almost recovered, but the ball squirted over from underneath Keith Adams and the Texans fell on it and ran out the clock.

Cowboys 45, Titans 14

As long as Drew Bledsoe and

Terry Glenn are connecting for touchdowns, they don't mind when Terrell Owens gets all the attention.

In a game that featured the return of T.O. and the first NFL start of Tennessee rookie Vince Young, Bledsoe and Glenn hooked up on two 13-yard touchdown passes Sunday and the Dallas Cowboys beat the Titans.

Bledsoe sees Owens, the five-time Pro Bowl selection, and Glenn, his former teammate with New England, as the best tandem of receivers he has had. Still, Owens is the one who draws extra defensive help.

"When Owens is out there, [Glenn] gets single coverage and you can't cover him one-on-one," Bledsoe said.

Owens did, indeed, play with his broken right hand protected by a plate and a glove only five days after his hospital visit for an accidental overdose. He caught five passes for 88 yards but also dropped a pass in the end zone he couldn't pull in with his injured hand.

"He caught a couple balls," Dallas coach Bill Parcells said. "You were there. What do you think? I was pleased with the offense."



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Saint Mary's takes third

Belles finish behind Olivet, Tri-State on Blackthorn course

By REBECCA SLINGER
Sports Writer

The Belles continued their early run of success this season with a third-place finish at the MIAA Jamboree on their home course, South Bend's Blackthorn Country Club, Saturday.

The Belles placed behind first-place Olivet (334) and Tri-State (356), firing a 76-over par 364, but stayed ahead of five other teams in the conference-wide competition.

Saint Mary's freshman Kate Doornbos led the team, posting an 87 (15-over par) en route to a sixth place finish. Sophomore co-captain Alex Sei posted the second lowest score on the team, shooting an 89 to place eighth overall.

"I was hitting a lot of my balls in regulation," Doornbos said of her performance. "That's more than I normally do so I think that helped."

Saint Mary's sophomores Katie McInerney and Meredith Fantom and freshman Joanna Dick, who shot 93, 95 and 99 respectively, also contributed to the Belles'

third-place showing. Freshmen Theresa Tonyan, (115) and Caroline Doubek (134) entered the tournament as individuals.

Belles sophomore Perri Hama was forced to withdraw after sustaining a minor injury.

A 30 minute rain delay forced a late start to the tournament. Doornbos said the delay made it hard to "get going" after the rain delay.

"It did give the team a chance to rest though," Hama said.

The team held on to their rhythm in the second round, maintaining their level of play to stay in third place, just two strokes ahead of fourth-place finishers Albion College (366).

"We would have liked to have gone in and won it," Doornbos said. "Olivet has a really solid team this year. I think if we had [team captain] Katie O'Brien there, we could have beaten Tri-State."

Without their captain, the

Belles were still able to put in strong performances to improve their finish by one place from the last Jamboree tournament, the Comet Classic.

"We worked really hard on our weaknesses in practice," Hama said.

During last week's preparations, the team played the course several times instead of holding their practice at the driving ranges.

The Jamboree's individual medalist was Olivet senior Kristy Latimer of Olivet, who shot just six-over par for a total of 78. Olivet led the tournament with the top four golfers of the tournament participating on their team.

"Realistically speaking, the team can definitely finish in the top-3 [in the conference] if we continue our improvement," Sei said. "I don't have any doubts about our team."

The Belles will play in their third MIAA Jamboree tournament hosted by Hope Tuesday.

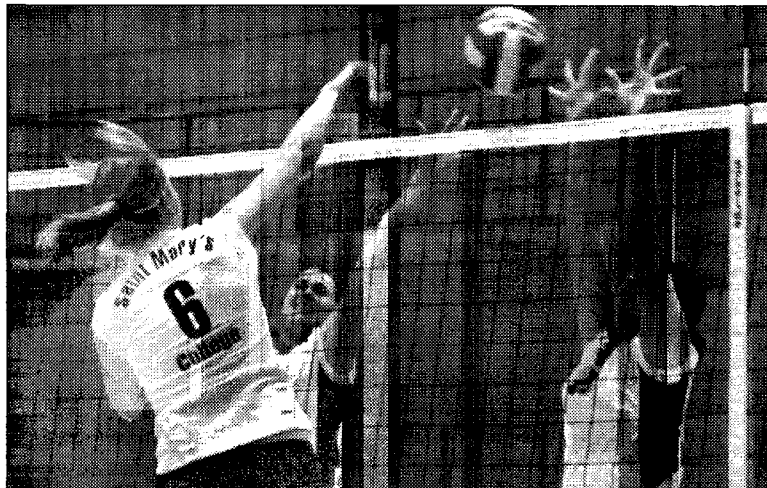
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Alex Sei
Belles sophomore

SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles split conference matches at Triangular



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Belles sophomore Cathy Kurczak spikes the ball in a 3-1 win over Tri-State Tuesday.

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's played two strikingly different matches Friday at the Adrian Triangular.

The Belles came out strong against Albion, winning in four games (30-24, 24-30, 30-23, 30-23). Senior Kristen Playko led the Belles with 17 kills, and freshman Lorna Slupczynski added ten more of her own.

The second match was lot tougher for Saint Mary's and ended in a frustrating loss to

Adrian. The host Bulldogs posted a 3-1 victory (24-30, 30-19, 30-21, 30-14), led by 18 kills by Lindsay Eshelman. Slupczynski posted ten kills in the match for Saint Mary's.

Senior Libero Anne Cusack tallied a combined 49 digs in the two matches.

Saint Mary's record now stands at 12-5 overall and 5-3 in MIAA play.

The Belles will play again at Calvin on Wednesday at 6:30 pm.

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Wetzel posted an even-par 72 last week and is averaging 78.50 per round through the first two tournaments of her

collegiate career.

Junior Jane Lee will compete in her first event as a member of the team this year.

Lee competed in last week's Notre Dame Invitational, but as an individual entrant. Her scores did not count toward the team's total.

Freshman Annie Brophy will occupy the fifth team spot Monday and Tuesday, while senior Stacy Brown will play as an individual entrant. Brophy is third on the team with an average of 77.33 in six rounds of play this year, while Brown has a career

mark of 78.85.

Throughout the first two tournaments, the Irish have yet to break 300 in a round of play, a goal which they hope to attain this week. Holt said she is confident that the Irish can prevail in a competitive field of 15 other teams from

the Midwest region of the country.

The first two rounds of the tournament will take place Monday with the third round coming on Tuesday.

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Invite

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By the finish, Michigan junior Erin Webster had a huge lead over the rest of the field, winning the race in 16:36 — 16 seconds faster than her next closest competitor. Webster helped lead the way for the Wolverines who won the race with 57 points. Michigan also boasted three runners in the top ten finishers with Alyson Kohlmeier (16:54) and Nicole Edwards (17:02) joining Webster at the front of the race.

As runners from Florida State and Providence continued to cross the finish line, the Irish had only one runner in — Sunni Olding, whose 17:15 time was only good enough for 18th place.

The Irish did not have another finisher until 17:44 when Julie Opet crossed the line for 47th place. Despite the low finish for the junior, Irish coach Tim Connelly was most impressed with Opet's performance.

"We had one kid run well and that was Julie Opet," he said.

Rounding out the top five for the Irish was Lindsey Ferguson (18:04), Heidi Rocha (18:12) and Becca Bauman (18:20). Connelly said he was very disappointed with his team's performance other than Opet.

"I don't know if we're that bad or if we just had a bad day," Connelly said. "Overall it was a wasted effort."

The women's team will look to rebound and improve in practice before the Pre-

National Meet Oct. 14 in Terra Haute, Ind. But with only one runner with NCAA experience — Olding — the Irish will have to work hard to improve their race-running soon.

For as disappointing as the women's team was, the No. 16 men's team came out that strong, finishing tied for fourth with No. 26 Florida — one of six ranked teams running against the Irish.

One of the most important factors in the result was the return of Notre Dame's top two runners for 2006 — Kurt Benninger and Patrick Smyth. Smyth led the Irish across the line with a third place finish at 23:46 — 22 seconds

behind event champion Chris Solinsky from No. 1 Wisconsin.

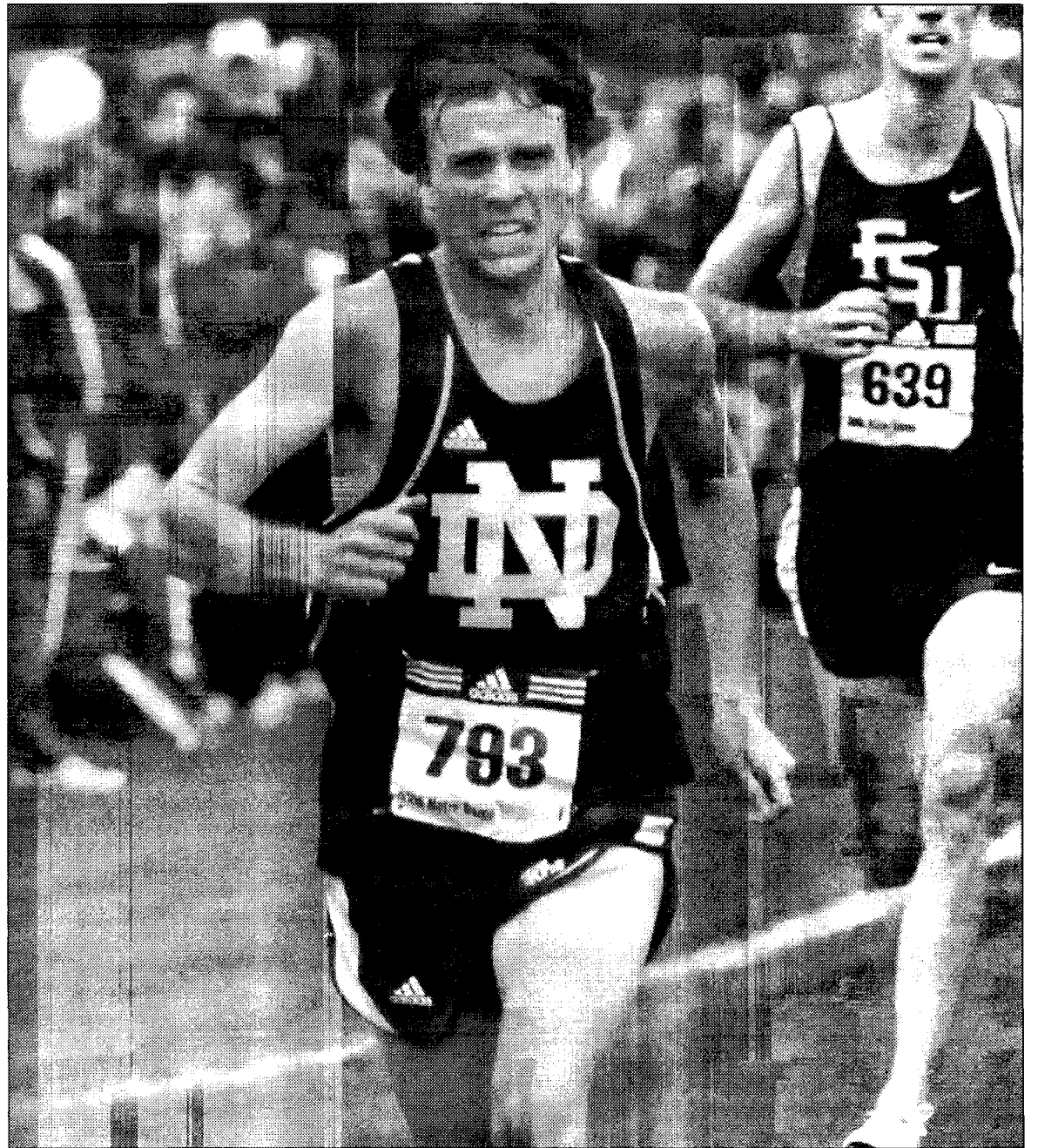
"I was extremely happy with my finish," Smyth said. "I've been training all season and I definitely expected to be up front."

The Badgers would eventually win the meet with 86 points, but coach Joe Piane was pleased with his team's finish since it helped them gain at large points in the NCAA. Piane also noted he was more pleased with his team's performance Friday than two weeks ago in the National Catholic Championship since they were able to compete with some of the best teams in the country.

"We were much better this race," he said. "There were seven ranked teams in this meet and that means we beat a few."

"We can be a whole heck of a lot better."

Piane was also satisfied with his two freshmen runners — Brock Hagerman and



Irish sophomore Patrick Smyth pulls away from a Florida State runner at the Notre Dame Invitational Friday. The Irish finished fourth in the race.

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Jake Walker — who finished sixth and seventh for the Irish, respectively. Walker could have finished even higher, but he was knocked down in the first 200 meters of the race. But Piane does think Hagerman has room to improve.

"Brock [Hagerman] needs to learn how to run a 5 mile race," Piane said.

Overall, Piane was pleased with the way his team handled themselves against top competition, especially since they have already looked to the longer races later in the

season.

"One reason for our finish is that we train for a 10K race [used at Regionals and Nationals]. We should be better there."

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and preserved the shutout. The Irish took a 20-13 lead, before the Pirates stormed back to make the score 21-19. Notre Dame took the timeout, ran off a 9-3 stretch and capped it with a service ace from Fesl.

It was the first time this season that Seton Hall has lost at home and the fourth time that Notre Dame has swept an opponent.

Brown started her head-coaching career 22 years ago at Arizona State and spent three years with the U.S. National Team prior to taking the Notre Dame job in 1991.

The Observer could not reach Brown for comment.

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defender Kim Lorenzen] won a ball at midfield," Hanks said of the goal. "Then [senior midfielder Jen Buczkowski] made a nice pass and I was just in the right place at the right time."

Hanks' goal was her team-leading seventh of the season.

The Mountaineers controlled most of the first half and got on the board before the Irish. Sophomore midfielder Amanda Cicchini rocketed a shot past Irish keeper Lauren Karas in the 17th minute, ending Notre Dame's five-game shutout streak.

"We made a mistake and left [Cicchini] unmarked," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said of the goal.

The Mountaineers had several other first half chances but couldn't convert.

"The defense saved our butts in the first half," freshman forward Michele Weissenhofer said.

Trailing 1-0 at halftime, Waldrum knew he had to make some changes.

"We didn't have patience," Waldrum said. "We weren't holding it long enough for the forwards to get free. In the second half, we tried to get to ball to [sophomore forward] Brittany [Bock] and let her turn and distribute."

Waldrum said the offensive adjustment was a play the Irish had practiced during the week.

"[Bock] did a great job in that spot for us tonight," he said.

Four minutes into the second half, the Irish used Bock's distribution to even the score. Weissenhofer took a pass from Bock on the right side of the West Virginia penalty area and put in the seventh goal of her young career. The Irish also hit the back of the net in the 17th minute of the second half, but the goal was disallowed after a foul call on Notre Dame.

The game featured five yellow cards and several other hard fouls. Waldrum said the quality of the two teams and the importance of the game caused the physical play.

"There was a lot at stake and two good teams going at it out there," he said.

The second largest women's soccer crowd in Notre Dame history — 3,046 people — watched the contest despite the rain and cold. A large student section, comprised mainly of residents of Stanford and O'Neill Halls, stood behind the Mountaineer net the whole game and heckled Bannerman.

"I can't thank them enough," Waldrum said of the fans. "That was huge. You could tell they had [the keeper] rattled. It lifted the whole atmosphere of the stadium."

Notre Dame 5, Pittsburgh 0

Notre Dame started another scoreless streak Sunday, beating Pittsburgh 5-0 — only allowing one shot in the process.

With a 2-0 lead early in the second half, Hanks set up two goals for Weissenhofer less than three minutes apart to put the game out of reach.

The sophomore then added the final Irish goal in the 73rd minute, taking a Buczkowski pass to the left of the net and slipping a shot between Panther's goalkeeper Alison Finch and the post.

"I thought Kerri this weekend looked a lot more in her rhythm, the way she played for us last season as a freshman,"



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Irish midfielder Susan Pinnick fights for the ball during Notre Dame's 5-0 win over Pittsburgh Sunday at Alumni Field.

Waldrum said. "I think today it's nice to get the goals and stuff, but I thought Kerri did a great job just being very unselfish. Some of the little seams she found, she was just finding those little spaces to get people in."

After totaling 34 goals and 16 assists last year, the forward entered the game with seven scores this season and just one assist. According to Hanks, that relative lack of productivity had started to eat at her. Now that she helped Notre Dame keep its record unblemished, that tension has eased.

"I was getting a little down on myself because as a goal scorer I'm supposed to score goals," she said. "But I realized as the season goes on, I don't care if I score anymore as long as we're still winning. If we're undefeated that's all you can ask for. So if someone else [scores] that's perfectly fine as long as we're still winning."

In the 31st minute, Pittsburgh midfielder Corina Sebesta fired a direct kick into the arms of Karas. The shot ended an Irish streak of 106 minutes without allowing an opposing shot on goal dating back to Friday's game.

The Irish were able to control the Panthers, even though the starting lineup was missing regulars like Jill Krivacek, Cinalli and Weissenhofer to keep Irish legs fresh, before massive substitutions midway through the half.

With their starting lineup in the game, Notre Dame capitalized on an own goal when Buczkowski crossed a ball near Bock that Panther defender Katie Surma knocked into the net. In the 54th minute, senior defender Christie Shaner's cross found Bock's head before passing the bottom corner of the goal to take a 2-0 lead.

Pittsburgh coach, and former Irish assistant, Sue-Moy Chin was disappointed in the outcome, but admitted the challenge the Panthers faced.

"We did a good job of playing but it was sporadic," she said. "The Irish are good. When they put you under pressure, it's hard to get out of it."

The Irish return to action next weekend against Seton Hall and Rutgers at Alumni Field.

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Pirates

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Bobby Clark downplayed his team's victory.

"It's a good game to win, but I don't think I'll read anymore than that into it right now," Clark said. "There will be other big games to win. [Saturday] was an excellent win, and now we move on to the next game."

As usual, it was junior forward Joseph Lapira providing the spark for the Notre Dame offense. Lapira tallied goals in the 10th and 71st minute to give him 13 on the season, nine more than the next highest Irish scorer. Lapira has scored two goals in three consecutive games, and he has five multi-goal games on the season.

"[Lapira] has a lot of potential," Clark said. "We said at the beginning of the season that he has the potential to be the top offensive player in the Big East. That [statement] will do for now. Beyond that, he will just need to keep working."

Lapira's first goal came off a cross from sophomore midfielder Cory Rellas. Lapira drifted behind his defender, chested the ball down off Rellas's cross and fired the ball past Pirate keeper Paul McHenry.

Lapira would double Notre Dame's lead off a beautiful feed from freshman midfielder Michael Thomas. Thomas got behind the Pirate defense on an Irish counter-attack, drew two Seton Hall defenders and laid the ball off to an on-rushing Lapira who again slotted the ball past McHenry into the corner of the net.

While Lapira tallying points for the Irish is nothing new, the two Notre Dame goals did contain a couple of firsts for the

team. Rellas, with his assist on the first goal, and Thomas, with his assist on Lapira's second goal, tallied their first career points in an Irish uniform.

Rellas, who has been the main beneficiary in terms of playing time since senior midfielder Ian Etherington sustained a severe bone bruise in his leg, has pleased Clark with his play.

"Cory has played well all season, and wherever he's been put, he's played exceptionally well," Clark said. "He has that quiet confidence and a tremendous work rate. He's been superb this season."

While the Irish offense, led by Lapira, has been stellar recently, the Notre Dame defense has been equally impressive as of

late. Including their shut-out of Seton Hall, the Notre Dame defense has only given up one goal in their last four games.

Part of the credit has to go to Irish goalkeeper Chris Cahill, who recorded his second consecutive shutout Saturday night

and his fifth shutout on the season. With Cahill in goal, Notre Dame's record is 6-2-1.

"Cahill wasn't overworked (against Seton Hall), but he's playing with great confidence," said Clark. "He's settled into the position, and he's giving our back four reassurance."

Notre Dame will return to action this Wednesday night against Michigan in Ann Arbor. The Irish will enter that game riding a three-game winning streak and a four-game unbeaten streak.

"We're coming together as a team," Clark said. "It doesn't happen in the first couple weeks of the season, but we're building confidence and we're starting to come together."

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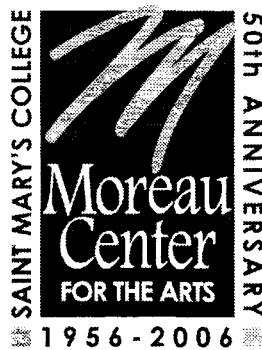
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1 Capital of Tibet

6 [Oh, my heavens!]

10 "Get lost, kitty!"

14 String ties

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16 Tiny bit

17 Sound after a tear is shed

18 Shoestring

19 Unappetizing food

20 Parental demand #1

23 Major leaguer

24 British rocker Brian

25 Actor Beatty

26 Sheet of ice

29 Putin's rejection

32 Sets (down)

34 Parachute part

35 Grooved on

36 Lobbying grp.
- 37 Parental demand #2

43 General at Appomattox

44 ___ favor (please, in Spanish)

45 Gumbo vegetable

46 "Gee willikers!"

48 Surmounting

49 "Hey ... you!"

50 Cousin of "ruff!"

51 Column's counterpart

53 "Well, ___-di-dah!"

55 Parental demand #3

61 Supply-and-demand subj.

62 Long car, for short

63 Construction piece

65 Salon job

66 Mishmash
- DOWN**

1 Abbr. on a dumbbell

2 ___ Kong

3 "That's ___!" (debate retort)

4 Plays down, as an issue

5 In reference to

6 Sport with woods and Woods

7 Part of a Latin 101 conjugation

8 Scented pouch

9 Fuss over oneself

10 [Isn't he dreamy?!]

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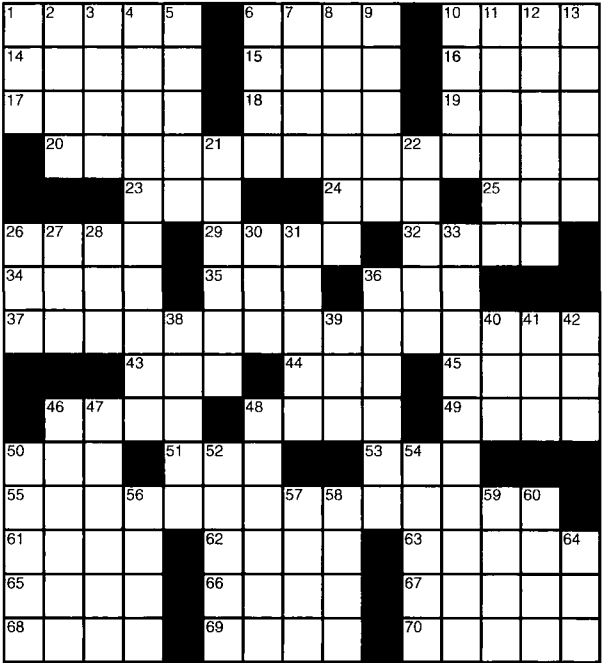
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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't miss out on an opportunity because someone you are emotionally involved with doesn't want you to get ahead. You may need to question your current partnerships. 4 stars

Birthday Baby: You are bright, articulate and extremely good at improvising. You can dazzle others with your intellectual outlook.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Brown gets 500th career win as squad beats Seton Hall

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

Notre Dame head coach Debbie Brown earned her 500th career win Saturday with a victory over Seton Hall — a team to whom Brown and the Irish have never lost.

The Irish (9-5, 3-0 Big East) swept the Pirates (9-7, 1-2 Big East) 30-22, 30-22, 30-24 Saturday to win their third

straight match.

Notre Dame is now in a three-way tie for first place in the Big East with St. John's (4-0) and South Florida (2-0).

Junior co-captain Adrianna Stasiuk blasted a match-leading 12 kills and also recorded 10 digs.

It was Stasiuk's tenth double-double of the season and she now has 169 total kills — four behind team leader Christina Kaelin.

Senior co-captain Danielle Herndon tallied 19 digs — the 12th time this season the libero has led the Irish in that category.

The Irish defense stifled the Pirate attack and held them to a .091 hitting percentage — the lowest Notre Dame has held an opposing offense to since Nov. 19, 2005 against Cincinnati. Notre Dame shot .225 for the three games.

Notre Dame parried a late

Seton Hall comeback in the third game to take the match on a kill from freshman Megan Fesl that was assisted by freshman Jamel Nicholas.

The Pirates went on a small run to reduce the Irish lead to 23-19, but Notre Dame went on a 7-5 run to close out the match.

Seton Hall had a strong start to the first game, opening up a 9-5 lead before the Irish could respond.

Consecutive kills from Stasiuk put the Irish back in the lead in a big way. The score climbed to 21-12 before the Pirates recovered and moved within four points.

A 6-1 run closed out the opening game with a kill from sophomore Justine Stremick as the game-winner.

A strategic timeout salvaged the second game for the Irish

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ND SOCCER

Movin' on up

Clark's group jumps into second place in division with victory

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

Notre Dame took another giant step in their ascent up the Big East's Blue Division Standings on Saturday with a 2-0 win over first-place Seton Hall at the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

The Irish win, combined with other Big East results, leaves Notre Dame in a three-way tie for second place with the Pirates and Providence. All three teams trail first-place West Virginia by one point.

Although Saturday's victory put the Irish back in the Big East race, Notre Dame coach

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Left, Irish forward Joseph Lapira dribbles upfield in Notre Dame's 4-0 win over Marquette Wednesday. Right, Irish forward Molly Iarocci breaks past a defender in a 5-0 win over Pittsburgh Sunday.



Waldrum and co. stay unbeaten against West Virginia, Pittsburgh

By CHRIS KHOREY and
TIM DOUGHERTY
Sports Writers

Notre Dame's shutout streak ended Friday night, but its winning streak didn't.

ND Sophomore forward Kerri Hanks broke a 1-1 tie with a header with 16:47 left in the game for the winning goal. Senior Amanda Cinalli added an insurance score with four minutes left to give Notre Dame (11-0, 4-0 Big East) a 3-1 margin over previously unbeaten No. 6 West Virginia (9-1-2, 3-1-1 Big East) on a blustery night at Alumni Field.

"It all started when [senior

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ND CROSS COUNTRY

Irish struggle against top-ranked opponents

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

Notre Dame ran hard, but in the end it wasn't enough.

Both the Irish men's and women's teams faced tough fields Friday at the Notre Dame Invitational, but only the men were satisfied with their performance, finishing tied for fourth.

Notre Dame's women's team came in hoping to run well, but fell behind early and had little chance of catching the seven nationally

ranked teams and finished 12th.

The women's field featured seven teams ranked in the top 30 — including No. 3 Michigan — lining up against the Irish. By the first mile, these top teams had taken control of the race, pushing Notre Dame's runners back in the pack. This trend only continued at the second mile with the Wolverines leading the pack followed by No. 12 North Carolina State and No. 29 Florida State.

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Team hits sunflower state

By CHRIS HINE
Sports Writer

Coming off a disappointing second-place finish in last week's Notre Dame Invitational, the Irish will travel to Lawrence, Kan. to compete in the Marilyn Smith Sunflower Invitational today and Tuesday.

Notre Dame will be without junior Alejandra Diaz-Calderon and freshman Julie Kim, who are out with injuries.

"It's kind of a week by week thing for both of them," Irish coach Susan Holt said. "Realistically, though, I

expect them to be out for the remainder of the fall season."

Fifteen other teams will take part in the invitational Alvamar Golf Club. Holt said she emphasized working Notre Dame's short game over the past week of practices in order to trim down the squad's scores to under 300 per round.

"This course has a lot of hills for being in the middle of Kansas," Holt said. "We

worked on a lot of up and down, ledge, bump and run shots, and we worked a lot on putting, which will help at a course like this."

In the No. 1 slot for the Irish will be senior Noriko Nakazaki, who tied for eighth at last week's tournament. Nakazaki is Notre Dame's all-time leader in scoring average and is averaging 75 per round this year.

Sophomore Lisa Maunu, who has started the year with two top-20 individual finishes, will be in the second slot.

Freshman Kristin Wetzel will be in the third slot.

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Holt

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AT A GLANCE

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The Belles finish third at the MIAA Jamboree at Blackthorn in South Bend Saturday.

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Saint Mary's splits matches with Albion and Adrian at the Adrian Triangular Friday.

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PGA TOUR

Tiger Woods wins his sixth straight tournament at the American Express Championships.

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Cubs President/CEO Andy McPhail resigns, apologizing for lack of on-field success.

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Running game comes alive as Irish rout Boilermakers

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