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Jenkins: Undergrad research essential to goals

University president delivers annual address to faculty members, stresses importance of encouraging post-graduate degrees

By KAITLYNN RIELY
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Offering unmatched undergraduate education and becoming a premier research university are intertwined objectives. University President Father John Jenkins said Tuesday in his annual address to the faculty.

As Notre Dame strives to improve its research capabilities and accomplishments — with \$30 million of a \$1 billion campaign — undergraduates can reap the benefits of learning and studying at a university where “high-quality research” is conducted, Jenkins said.

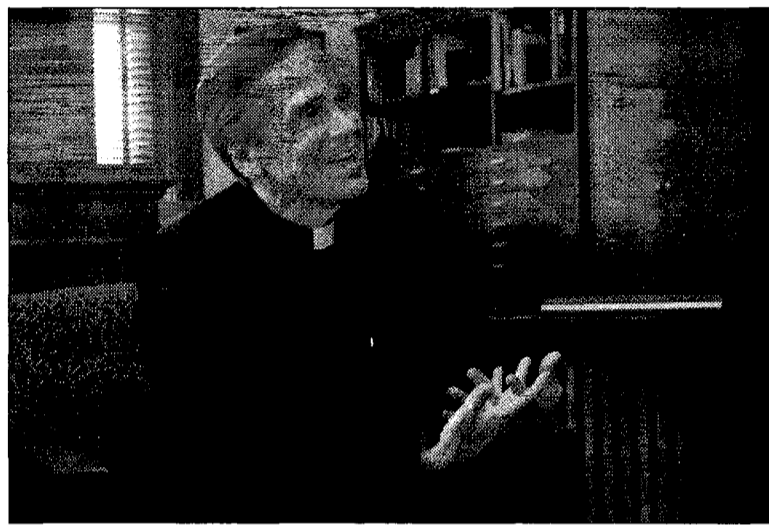
“When distinguished members of the faculty are available to teach and advise students, the thrill of research becomes part of the undergraduate experience in a way impossible at a four-year college,” he said. “We can, if we do it right, offer a better undergraduate education by not focusing solely on undergraduate education.”

Before faculty members gathered in the Leighton Concert Hall of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, Jenkins reiterated and refined the three-part strategic vision for the University he has developed since becoming president of Notre Dame in 2005 — to remain dedicated to

undergraduate education, to become a highly ranked and highly regarded research university and to uphold the University's Catholic character.

Notre Dame, Jenkins said, wants to graduate intellectual leaders. Jenkins cited Ph.Ds — among other graduate degrees or even no advanced degree — as an avenue toward intellectual leadership. According to numbers Jenkins presented in a Powerpoint presentation, the number of Notre Dame graduates who earn Ph.Ds is low compared to peer institutions such as Princeton, Yale and Rice and very low compared to

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DUSTIN MENNELLA/The Observer

University President Father John Jenkins, shown here in his office Monday, delivered his annual faculty address Tuesday in the DPAC.

ND, SMC mark 9/11 anniversary with ceremonies

Coach Brey speaks about Kuwait experience, Iraq war attitudes

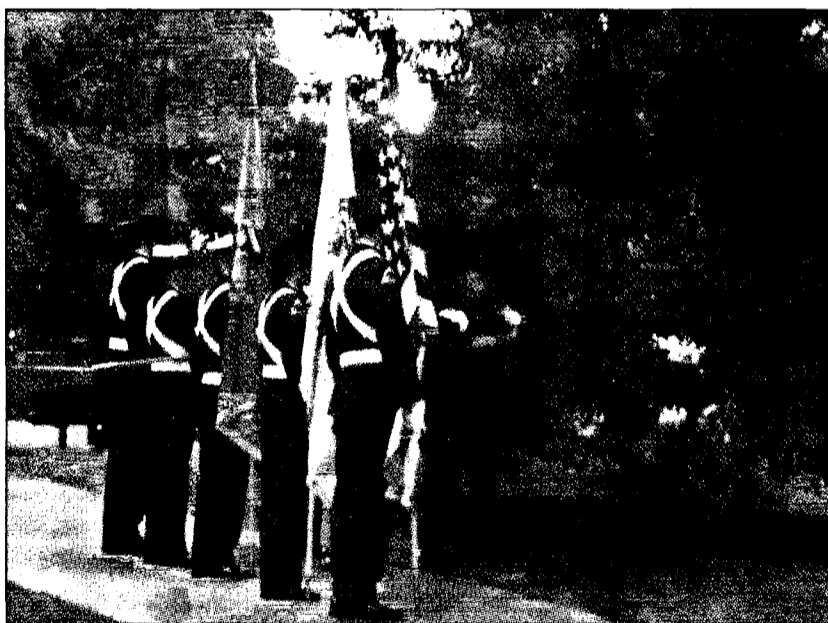
By JOHN TIERNEY
News Writer

On the sixth anniversary of Sept. 11, the Tri-Military Command's Patriot's Day ceremony solemnly honored the victims of the 2001 terrorist attacks Tuesday before the sun rose over the Hesburgh Library reflecting pool.

Men's basketball coach Mike Brey was chosen as the ceremony's guest speaker as a result of his work this summer with the USO's Operation Hardwood, a group of college basketball coaches who voluntarily travel to Kuwait to coach the troops training to deploy to Iraq.

Members of Notre Dame's ROTC branches and approximately 100 civilians, including both students and faculty members, listened as he recounted his experiences in the Middle East.

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VANESSA GEMPIS/The Observer

ROTC cadets participate in Notre Dame's Sept. 11 memorial service Tuesday in front of the Hesburgh Library.

College prayer service calls for forgiveness and understanding

By KRISTEN EDELEN
News Writer

In remembrance of the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Saint Mary's students, faculty members and administrators gathered at the Stapleton Lounge in Le Mans Hall for a memorial prayer service Tuesday.

Each attendee at the service, hosted by Saint Mary's Campus Ministry, received a small white candle at the entrance as a solemn commemoration of the people who died in the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and the hijacked airplanes.

“I'm glad to be here to remember this day,” junior Kate Petrovic said.

Petrovic said she was particularly moved by one of the speaker's addresses. Political science professor Sister Amy Cavender took the podium to

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COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

Lack of PSU lottery addressed at meeting

SUB manager explains policy to students

By JOHN TIERNEY
News Writer

While many students were disappointed last week by the lack of a student ticket lottery for Saturday's Penn State game, Student Union Board (SUB) Manager Phil Ross told the Council of Representatives (COR) Tuesday outside factors made the lottery impossible, and the council expressed concern over future away game ticket access.

Ross said the University has a policy in place that determines

which away game tickets will be made available to the student body and which will not.

The University receives an allotment of a few thousand tickets to away games through the athletic department, Ross said. But that amount always depends on the school Notre Dame is playing.

From the initial allotment, “bit by bit, the tickets get taken away,” Ross said. “A lot of people have a hand in where the tickets go,” he said, including players,

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Alumni reap U.K. college experience

Selective Marshall program funds Americans' advanced studies in Britain



Photo courtesy of The Touching Tiny Lives Foundation

Notre Dame alumna Meg Towle plays with small children in Lesotho, Africa, in 2006. She received a Marshall scholarship last year.

By ROHAN ANAND
News Writer

Each year, forty students from American schools are selected to participate in the Marshall Scholarship program — a prestigious award given to outstanding students — which finances two years of graduate or undergraduate study in a United Kingdom institution.

And two Notre Dame students are currently reaping the benefits of their British education.

The nomination and selection process is extremely competitive. Students may only apply if nominated by their school early in the

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INSIDE COLUMN

Redemption within reach

For us members of the senior class, Notre Dame football has been a bumpy, pothole-filled ride for the past four years.

First there was the upset of Michigan during our first home game, an exorbitant high matched only by the ineptitude of the Ty era, in which the spirit was Willingham, but the football was well, weak.

Gluttons for gridiron punishment and Irish faithful that we are, we have suffered through hirings, firings and hours of hearing Mark May's blithering, bashing Notre Dame and predicting terrible starts for the Irish.

Then came Charlie Weis, and we had heroes again. We had Darius walking over enemy linebackers and Brady Quinn raining spirals on opposing secondaries and Jeff Samardzija snagging six-pointers.

Now, with the Brady Bunch gone and having been stung by the Yellow Jackets and bitten by the Nittany Lions, we nearly had to change 'Touchdown Jesus' moniker to Field Goal Jesus — and would have — after Game 2 were it not for the first-quarter heroics of cornerback Darrin Walls, who intercepted pick-prone Penn State quarterback Anthony Morelli before slipping, sliding and ultimately taking said pick to the house for our first touchdown of the year.

Well, now it's time to take it to the house inside the disquieting and discomfiting confines of the Big House.

As a younger, skinnier and bright-eyed freshman, fresh off the airplane from Albany, N.Y., I quickly learned a few things about how things work 'round here.

Avoid LaFortune on Bun Run nights. Don't sit down during football games. Hate Michigan.

I even bought a very clever shirt which expressed the campus-wide distaste for U of M by switching around a few choice letters. And within one week of my arrival here, Stanford Hall upperclassmen taught me a decidedly different version of Michigan's "Hail to the Victors" fight song.

As a fairly peaceful person, there are few things in this world that I despise, but that which I hate, I hate fervently. Death Eaters. The Irish Rover. Cats. Major universities from the state of Michigan. Canker sores. Boston-area safety schools.

Nearly half the things on that list are opposing football schools we still have the opportunity to kick in the shins, starting with the suddenly-toothless version of this year's Wolverines.

For pride. For honor. For redemption.

A victory Saturday will make the whole season a success, regardless of the remaining wins and losses, and send us seniors out into "the real world" feeling satisfied.

Having had the privilege (or would it be the misfortune?) of making the trip out to Ann Arbor two years ago, seeing her rather undefatlike behavior and watching the Irish lead that pack of mangy rodents, I can attest that beating Michigan is the greatest of all collegiate emotions.

Let's expose the Big House as the cesspool of drunks and clowns it is. Let's turn Ann Arbor into Pick City, Michigan.

Let's prove which school has the best fight song in the nation and make lamenting losers out of the so-called "Victors Valiant."

Love thee Notre Dame. Hate thee Michigan.

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

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Tae Andrews
Scene Editor

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS THE BEST CLUB ON CAMPUS AND WHY?



Charlie Horn
senior
Dillon

"Right to Life because I like life."



Emily Rhatican
senior
off campus

"Baraka Bouts because you get to wear a sweatshirt that says 'Notre Dame women's boxing'."



Mark Weber
junior
Keenan

"Bengal Bouts. 300 pushups, 500 situps, 1,000 jacks per day, 5 days a week. Enough said."



Barry Martin
freshman
Siegfried

"The Filipino American Student Organization because of all the diversity it encourages and the free food."



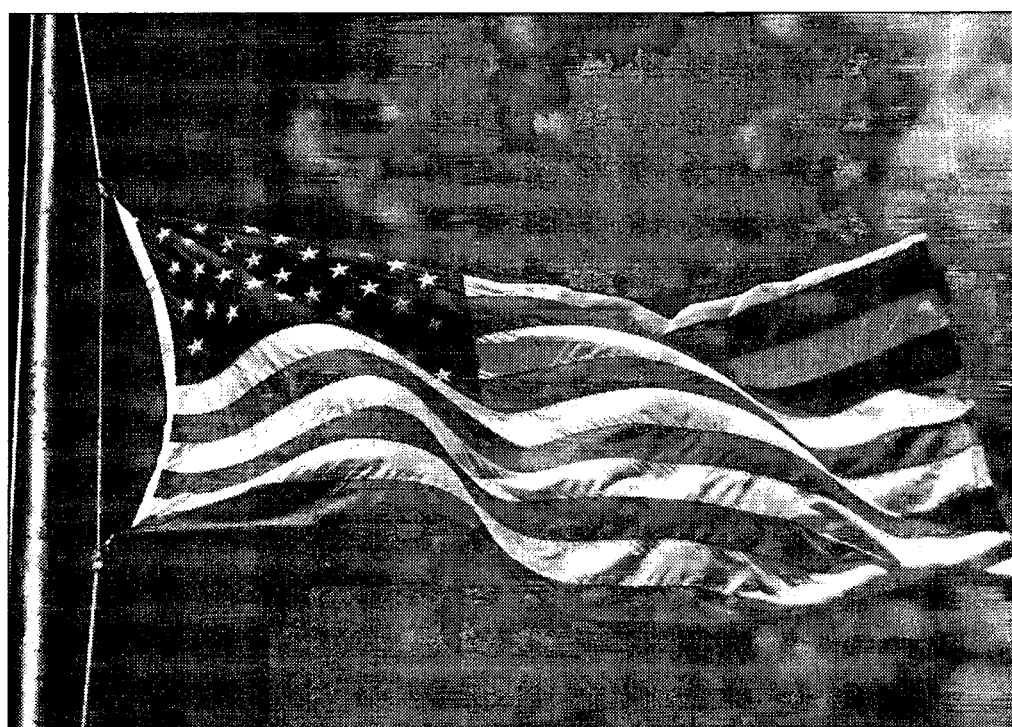
Amy Vereecke
senior
Welsh Family

"Social Justice in American Medicine (SJAM) because it's actually seeking to make a difference in our country."



Yong Xiang Zheng
freshman
Siegfried

"The ND Squash club because Julian Lagoy is in it and he is really cool."



VANESSA GEMPIS/The Observer

The American flag at South Quad flies at half mast Tuesday in remembrance of the victims of the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

IN BRIEF

There will be a staged performance of "Ballade Nocturne" by playwright Gao Xingjian today at 3:45 p.m. in McKenna Hall. The event is free and open to the public.

The English Department and Career Placement will present **English Career Night** for all Arts & Letters majors tonight at 7 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom. Notre Dame alumni and representatives from several careers will be available to answer questions.

Actors from the London Stage will present "Macbeth" at 7:30 p.m. tonight, Thursday and Friday at Washington Hall. Tickets can be purchased by calling (574) 631-2800.

Acappella sensation Toxic Audio will perform at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for students, \$30 faculty members and seniors and \$35 for the general public.

The DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will show the movie "Sunshine" Friday at 7 and 10 p.m. Tickets are \$3 for students and \$6 for the general public.

The Snite Museum of Art will host a reception for its fall exhibitions on Sunday from 2-4 p.m. Various talks about each exhibition will begin at 3pm. This event is free and open to the public.

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

OFFBEAT

Woman allegedly shoots cheating husband

VANCOUVER, Wash. — A woman is accused of shooting her husband four times with a 16-gauge double-barreled shotgun after learning of an affair.

Eddie Martin, 51, survived the attack, but may have to have a limb amputated. Sheryl Martin, also 51, had to reload after the first two shots.

Martin made her first appearance on Monday in Clark County Superior Court. Martin was released on bail and will live with her parents. She will be formally charged September 21st.

Eddie Martin told his wife he was having an affair and wanted a divorce.

They argued and Eddie went to sleep in a camper. Sheryl found a shotgun, loaded it and allegedly shot him while he was in bed.

74-year-old fights off mugger at mall

BAY SHORE, N.Y. — A tire iron-wielding man who police said was looking to mug a senior citizen probably thought he had found an easy target — that is, until the 74-year-old fought back.

Bruce Ferraro had no idea someone was following him as he walked out of a

department store at the South Shore Mall on Saturday and got into his car, police said. But then a man pounded on Ferraro's window and demanded cash.

"Ferraro says, 'What, are you kidding me?' and he actually gets out of the car," Suffolk County Detective Sgt. Thomas Groneman said.

The mugger demanded Ferraro hand over his wallet, calling the Bay Shore resident an "old man" and threatening to hit him with the tire iron, Groneman said.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 67 LOW 49	HIGH 62 LOW 45	HIGH 80 LOW 52	HIGH 73 LOW 45	HIGH 63 LOW 40	HIGH 70 LOW 48

Atlanta 83 / 70 Boston 74 / 62 Chicago 68 / 46 Denver 87 / 51 Houston 88 / 71 Los Angeles 87 / 64 Minneapolis 68 / 40 New York 77 / 61 Philadelphia 78 / 64 Phoenix 107 / 84 Seattle 74 / 55 St. Louis 74 / 52 Tampa 90 / 75 Washington 81 / 66

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FLP program cancelled

Involvement in program kept freshmen from leadership roles

By ALLEN MURPHY
News Writer

The Freshman Peer Leaders (FPL) program, an effort to acclimate freshmen with leadership experience in their local parishes to Notre Dame's Campus Ministry, has been cancelled this year.

The effectiveness of the decision will be evaluated at the end of the year, and depending on the findings, the program could be reinstated, said Brett Perkins, director of Protestant Student Resources and Catholic Peer Ministry.

Perkins, the former FPL director, said the program wasn't yielding the results Campus Ministry expected.

"The goals are really trying to get freshmen involved in Campus Ministry programs in a leadership capacity as soon as possible, as well as faith formation and fellowship," he said.

Instead, due to the time constraints placed on students by their busy schedules, freshmen involved in FPL found it difficult to take part in other Campus Ministry offerings.

"We found that oftentimes FPL was the only Campus Ministry activity freshmen could commit to," Perkins said. "Once FPLs became sophomores, they began to get involved in other Campus Ministry programming on campus, at the same time their non-FPL classmates were already assuming leadership roles in [their respective] programs."

He said these dynamics were contrary to FPL's core mission of readying students for leadership roles in Campus Ministry early in their Notre Dame career.

"We were discovering that FPLs were often a whole year behind in assuming such leadership roles," Perkins said.

At the end of the year, Campus Ministry should have an idea of how many freshmen get involved in its programming without FPL. At that point, the program will be reevaluated, he said.

However, Parish Confirmation Retreats — an important component of the FPL program — have not been cancelled.

"We'll still continue [them] in the second semester," Perkins said. "[They] will be open to students of any class year, with a preference still towards freshmen who are looking to get involved in leadership."

Many other activities enjoyed by Freshman Peer Leaders, such as tours of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart and trips to local Eastern Rite Catholic celebrations, will continue to be offered as well.

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While Brey visited the soldiers in Kuwait to teach them, he said he was the one who learned the most.

"I never saw better teamwork than I did in the military," he said. "As a team-builder, it was inspiring."

Brey said he noticed a contrast between the way people in the U.S. view the war in Iraq and the way the soldiers approach it.

Here, Brey said, much of the focus rests on the political battle to continue or end American involvement in the conflict, while in Kuwait he "did not once hear soldiers say that we shouldn't be over there or question why they were there."

After a week of living with the troops in the barracks and eating in the mess hall, he said he believes America's handling of the war should shift from a political debate to the soldiers and their safety.

Most importantly, Brey said, Americans must never forget Sept. 11 was an attack, not a tragedy. He said he has heard a lot of people call 9/11 a tragedy, but that his Kuwait trip reminded him "it was really" an attack.

"We must remember it was an attack," he said.

Like most Americans, Brey said he also remembers exactly where he was the day the airplanes hit the Twin Towers and the Pentagon.

"I was on a recruiting trip," he said. "We rented the last car at the airport and

drove the 14 hours back."

The ceremony began at 7 a.m. with Warner praying for all the victims of the attacks — which included firefighters, policemen and civilians — and for those who have since died in the war in Iraq.

Brey then addressed the audience and amid his reflections on the current opinions about the war, he also included a light anecdote of his visit to Kuwait.

During his trip, Brey flew inside a Blackhawk helicopter and noticed the pilot was wearing a Notre Dame hat. During the flight, the pilot turned around to ask Brey about the Winthrop loss in the NCAA tournament.

"It's great to experience the Notre Dame family [outside the University]," Brey said.

Following Brey's speech, a rendition of Taps was played in honor of those who perished six years ago and who have since died in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The ROTC cadets were dismissed and the ceremony concluded with a benediction by Warner.

While the memorial was somber — and some tears did flow — it was clear the country has changed in the last six years. Unlike the University-wide Mass held on Sept. 11, 2001, few students attended the ceremony. Coincidentally, two planes flew over the library during the service, something that couldn't have occurred six years ago when all civilian aircraft were grounded.

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discuss the ways in which America remembers the 9/11 attacks.

Cavender urged her listeners to let go of their anger, resentment and desire for revenge for the attacks and called for forgiveness, an attitude she said would allow them to be at peace inside.

"It really made me think about my own life ... and think how small my problems are in comparison," Petrovic said about Cavender's speech.

Students also participated in the service, reading selected passages from Buddhist, Jewish and Christian traditions. Each piece of religious text dealt with the similar themes of love, forgiveness and healing.

"Forgiveness, healing and peace go together," Cavender said. "If

our memories serve only to fuel anger ... peace isn't something we'll be well acquainted with."

Cavender said she and Judy Fean, director of Campus Ministry, decided to bring other faiths' traditions to this year's 9/11 memorial service because that would promote the spirit of dialogue and understanding across different religions.

Sophomore Kristle Hodges read from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians, a passage that stressed

the importance of "heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience ... bearing with one another and forgiving one another."

After the service, Hodges said she was happy with the turnout and the flow of the event.

Toward the end of the service, flames were passed around the room until everyone who had a candle had lit it in memory of the victims six years ago. Intercessions were then given,

peace was offered and a song concluded the memorial — but students in attendance said Cavender's words would resonate long after they left the lounge.

"Let us not forget the terrible events of six years ago," Cavender said. "It is important that we remember — but let us choose carefully how and why we remember."

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alumni, the administration and other parties.

For select games, the Student Activities Office (SAO) may receive 200 to 300 of those tickets and transfer them to SUB for distribution, he said. Student tickets are only distributed for games that "students can safely drive to and back in one day" and occasional games over fall break, Ross said.

The University limits the students' access to these tickets partly to ensure they don't skip class traveling to away games, he said.

Ross said Assistant Vice President in the Office of Student Affairs Brian Coughlin told him the student ticket distribution policy for away games has not been revisited in at least a decade.

Despite his explanation of the University's policy and its restrictions, many COR members were unsatisfied with Ross' answer and

said they want to improve the distribution of student away game tickets.

"Is there something we can make changes to now so we can get Boston College tickets next year?" junior class president Bob Reish asked. "It's our job to say to the Ticket Office, 'Let's get something done together here.'"

Reish's arguments for away game ticket lotteries were met with rebuttals that supported the University's concern that distributing tickets for games as far away as Boston College or Penn State would lead to more students skipping class to leave campus early for the weekend.

"The University isn't going to condone skipping classes," Ross said.

Student body vice president Maris Braun agreed and said from the University's perspective, 200 kids missing class the Friday before the game is inexcusable.

Another concern, Ross said, is that students may be unable to travel to distant away games, leav-

ing tickets unsold. If students can't find transportation to the games, SUB would have to absorb the cost of the leftover student tickets, Ross said.

"As the SUB manager, I don't want to pick up the Boston College game because we lose money if people can't get flights," he said.

Student ticket exchange

COR also discussed the cancellation of the student ticket exchange program for students to sell their home tickets to a friend who wants to attend the game. The program was terminated because of what the Ticket Office termed "gross violations," such as scalping, student body president Liz Brown said.

This year, the exchange option will only be allowed for the USC game, which will take place during fall break.

Brown said she and Braun have met with the Ticket Office, the Law School Association and the Graduate Student Union to work on ways to develop an exchange program that allows fewer viola-

tions.

"The Ticket Office has been great and do want an exchange for next year," Brown said.

COR members voiced unanimous approval of the need for an exchange and agreed the system should be as hostile to potential scalpers as possible. The council suggested the creation of an exchange system that involves picking up the ticket at the Will-Call window on game day as well as one that involves requiring a student to escort his guest into the stadium.

"We need to let the Ticket Office be more hands on," said senior Danny Smith, vice president of elections.

Parent tickets

Brown said the number of parent tickets available to students was also reduced this year from eight per season to two because of higher ticket demand across the board, combined with the sale of increased season tickets.

The cutbacks also affected alum-

ni, she said.

Senior class president Bridget Keating said she's unhappy with the decrease in the amount of tickets offered to students' parents.

"It's a big disrespect to families who are here," she said. "We've been completely sold out so the University can follow the revenue."

Braun, however, defended the ticket distribution process, saying that access to tickets seems to have been cut across the board and is not affecting students only.

"Every single entity got slashed. I don't know who's getting those six tickets now," she said.

Braun also noted that Notre Dame students have access to a full package of season tickets, which is unheard of at many other universities with major college football programs, such as Penn State, Michigan and USC.

"The Ticket Office is there for students 100 percent. They're trying as hard as they can," she said.

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fall semester. They must be a U.S. citizen, be of senior standing or within two years after graduation and have a minimum 3.7 GPA, according to the program's Web site.

The deadline for applications this year was on Sept. 3.

Notre Dame boasts seven scholars that have been selected to receive the scholarship since 1960. Two of the most recent graduates to receive the award were Peter Quarento, Class of 2006, and Meg Towle, Class of

2007.

Towle graduated with a degree in honors anthropology and international peace studies. She said she appreciated the wide degree of programs that students can pursue in the Marshall Program.

"It was really the only graduate opportunity that I was looking for, and it worked out great because I wanted to go international," she said.

Towle selected the University of Liverpool to pursue her studies, and will be studying at the School of Tropical Medicine. Her interest in international health has already taken her to conduct HIV/AIDS research in Mexico,

Bolivia and southern Africa.

She feels confident her grounding in anthropology and peace studies will prepare her well to take on even more challenges abroad. After completing time in Liverpool, she hopes to spend six months doing fieldwork with HIV/AIDS either in southern Africa or southeast Asia.

"[The university] has a wide range of programs that are really science-gearred, and I've decided to work in epidemiology up to reproductive health," she said. "My main focus will be on humanitarian studies and the global health intervention crisis. I'd really like to work with women, children and displaced

persons. That's what's nice about the Marshall program — you do more fieldwork as opposed to being stuck in a lecture hall. That's why I encourage everybody to apply."

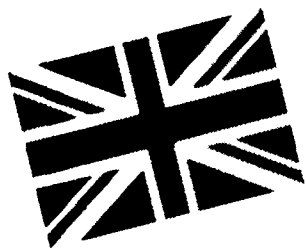
Students who are interested in the program usually receive guidance from their respective university in preparing their applications. Each file is then sent to one of eight regional locations — in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco and Washington, D.C. — where they are reviewed for consideration.

"In terms of selectivity, it's up there with the Rhodes Scholarship," said Roberta

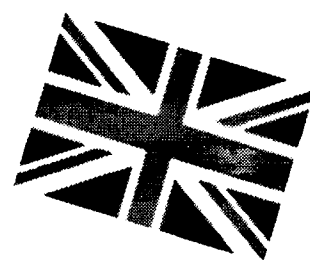
Jordan, assistant director of the Fellowship Office at Notre Dame. "In its mission statement, [Marshall] states that they are looking for students on a clear trajectory for post-graduate study and who are well-rounded."

The first Notre Dame student to receive the scholarship, in the 1960s, was Bruce Babbitt, former Secretary of the Interior from 1993-2001 and governor of Arizona from 1978-1987. He studied at Newcastle University at Newcastle upon Tyne, in northeast England.

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What are you doing next summer?
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Turkish officials prevent attack

ANKARA, Turkey — Police found and defused more than 1,300 pounds of explosives packed into a minibus parked near a marketplace on Tuesday, thwarting what one official described as "a possible disaster."

Bomb experts said the materials were similar to those seized in the past from Kurdish separatists. Turkey accuses Kurdish rebels of smuggling hundreds of pounds of explosives into the country from neighboring Iraq, where the guerrillas have been based for decades. Turkey is pressuring Iraq and the United States to crack down on the group in Iraq, threatening to do the job itself if others do not.

Archbishop resigns amid scandal

HARARE, Zimbabwe — A Zimbabwean archbishop who was an outspoken critic of President Robert Mugabe before becoming embroiled in a sex scandal said Tuesday he has resigned, but vowed to continue championing his countrymen facing political and economic crises. Pius Ncube, who once said he was ready to lead a popular uprising against Mugabe, said he had offered his resignation to the pope "within days" of being accused of having an affair with a parishioner in July.

"I have not been silenced by the crude machinations of a wicked regime," he said in a statement issued Tuesday from his office in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe's second-largest city. "I am committed to promoting the social teachings of the Church, and to working among the poorest and most needy in Zimbabwe."

NATIONAL NEWS

Health insurance premiums rise

The increasing cost of health insurance is putting coverage out of reach for many small to midsize companies and their workers, even though the rise in premiums this year was the lowest increase in eight years.

Since 2001, the cost of premiums has gone up 78 percent, far outpacing a 19 percent increase in wages and 17 percent jump in inflation, according to a survey released Tuesday by the Kaiser Family Foundation, a health care research group that annually tracks the cost of health insurance.

This year, the cost of premiums paid by workers and their employers was up 6.1 percent, while wages rose an average of 3.7 percent and inflation went up 2.6 percent, the survey said. Kaiser estimates that between 1 million and 2 million people join the ranks of the uninsured every year.

Mars rover commences mission

LOS ANGELES — Two months after surviving a giant dust storm, one of NASA's robotic rovers on Mars began a risky drive Tuesday into a crater blasted open by a meteor eons ago.

Scientists want the rover Opportunity to travel 40 feet down toward a bright band of rocks in the Victoria Crater. They believe that the rocks represent an ancient surface of Mars and that studying them could shed light on the planet's early climate.

Opportunity's initial task was to "toe dip" into the crater, a move that involves rolling its six wheels below the rim and immediately back out to gauge its footing before making the actual descent later this week.

LOCAL NEWS

Taxpayers file lawsuit against state

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana taxpayers challenged the constitutionality of the state property tax system in a lawsuit filed Thursday.

The petition in Indiana Tax Court questions statewide assessment methods, the use of tax abatements and several other aspects of the state system.

It also argues that Indiana's tax structure does not comply with the state constitutional requirement of a "uniform and equal rate of property assessment and taxation." Multiple taxing districts can lead to vastly nonuniform bills for people living in the same county if they are in different school districts or townships.

Thousands remember 9-11 victims

Family, friends gather on sixth anniversary of terrorist attacks to memorialize those killed

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Victims' families huddled under umbrellas Tuesday in a park to mark the sixth anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks in the first remembrance ceremony not held at ground zero, an event that failed to evoke the same emotions as the hallowed ground of the World Trade Center site.

"I guess they mean well, but I really wasn't happy," said Sal Romagnolo, whose son, Joseph Romagnolo, worked in the trade center's north tower. "I never got my son back. That's the only place we have."

"I get nothing out of this park."

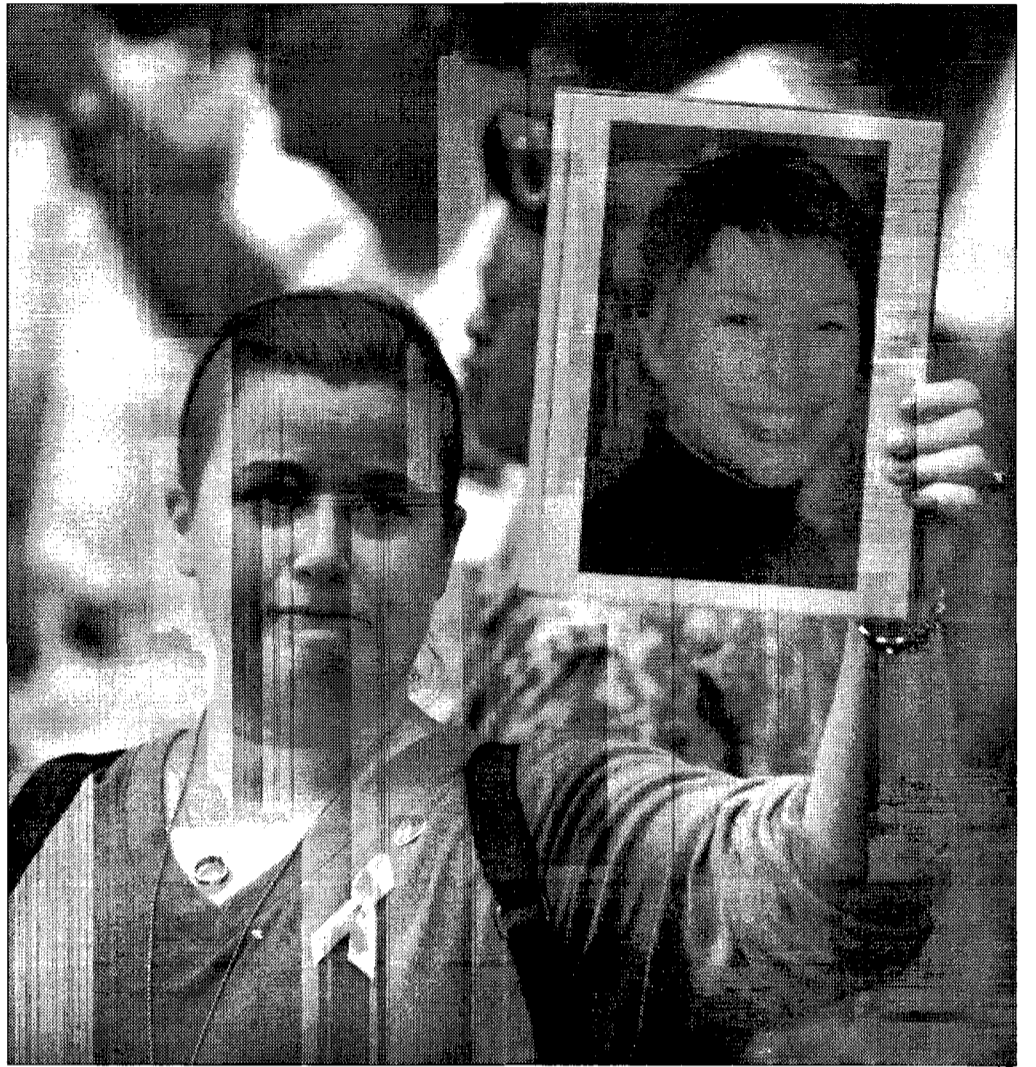
Around the country, Americans went through familiar mourning rituals as they looked back on the day when terrorists hijacked four jetliners and killed nearly 3,000 people.

President Bush attended ceremonies at the White House and the Pentagon, and the 40 passengers and crew members who died when a flight crashed into a Pennsylvania field were honored as "citizen soldiers."

The Manhattan ceremonies were held largely in a public park because of rebuilding at ground zero. First responders, volunteers and firefighters who helped rescue New Yorkers from the collapsing twin towers read the names of the city's 2,750 victims — a list that grew by one with the addition of a woman who died of lung disease in 2002.

Several first responders referred to the illnesses and deaths of their colleagues that they blame on exposure to toxic dust.

"I want to acknowledge those lost post-9/11 as a result of answering the call, including police officer NYPD James Zadroga," said volunteer ambulance worker Reggie Cervantes-Miller. Zadroga, 34, died more than a year ago of respiratory illness after spending hundreds of hours working



Alyson Low raises a photograph Tuesday at New York City's Zuccotti Park of her sister, Sarah, a flight attendant for American Airlines and victim of the attacks.

to clean up ground zero.

Victims' spouses, children, siblings and parents had read names before, often breaking down with heartrending messages to their loved ones and blowing kisses to the sky. At Zuccotti Park, where the sounds of trucks and buses sometimes drown out speakers, fewer tears were shed and most readers did not speak at length — even when mentioning siblings or children who were killed.

Hundreds streamed out of the ceremony after about an hour and fewer than 60 remained at the end. The city estimated 3,500 family members and mourners turned out, down from 4,700 attendees at the fifth anniversary. Some might

have been kept away by rain, a sharp contrast from the picture-perfect weather six years ago.

Ground zero "was more sacred and sad," said Clarence White, whose brother was killed at the trade center. At the park, he said, "the meaning wasn't as close."

The city moved the ceremony this year because of progressing construction at the site, where several idle cranes overlooked a partially built transit hub, 1,776-foot office tower and Sept. 11 memorial.

But family members had threatened to boycott the ceremony and hold their own remembrance if they were not granted access. The city and the Port Authority of New York and

New Jersey — which owns the trade center site — allowed relatives to descend a ramp to lay flowers inside a reflecting pool with two 6-foot outlines of the towers inside, and touch the ground where the trade center once stood.

Howard Gabler, who worked on the 47th floor of the trade center's north tower and escaped on the day of the attack, came to mourn his son, Fredric, who worked on the 104th floor of the same tower. He has no remains of his son.

"This is where he died and we have nothing else," Gabler said. "It's very painful, it's very painful all the time, but today was, I guess, worse knowing we're not going to be back down there."

MEXICO

Attack on pipeline halts production

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — More than 60 percent of Mexico's steel production was halted and two major auto plants, including Volkswagen's only manufacturing facility in North America, shut down Tuesday after explosions claimed by a leftist group cut natural gas supplies.

Petroleos Mexicanos said the attacks on its oil and natural gas pipelines would cause hundreds of millions of dollars in production losses for the state-owned oil company and affect 10 states. Private-sector groups told Mexican news media that the attacks and subsequent precautionary shutdowns

would cost businesses close to \$90 million.

Mexico's steel industry chamber Canacero said Tuesday that more than 60 percent of the country's steel production has been halted, and that it could take up to seven days to resume. In a statement, Canacero said losses would "significantly" exceed the \$36 million the industry suffered from similar attacks on pipelines in July.

The six explosions Monday caused no direct injuries, but both industry and national-security experts say the small leftist group claiming responsibility has proved it is a force to be reckoned with.

"The sophistication required to

plan, coordinate and execute these explosions shows that the perpetrators have the technical capability of turning these episodes into either terrorist attacks or industrial sabotage," George Baker, a Houston-based energy analyst who follows Petroleos Mexicanos, or Pemex, wrote in a report.

The Revolutionary People's Army, or EPR, a secretive Marxist group that killed dozens of police and soldiers during attacks in the late 1990s, claimed responsibility for the explosions in a statement e-mailed to various news organizations on Tuesday, the Reforma and El Universal newspapers reported on their Web sites.

Jenkins

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some liberal arts colleges like Harvey Mudd, Swarthmore and Reed.

Between 1995 and 2004, Jenkins said, five percent of Notre Dame graduates earned a Ph.D.

Other paths toward intellectual leadership do exist, Jenkins made clear.

"But earning a Ph.D is a road to such leadership, and we must do a better job of sending our students to Ph.D programs," he said. "That five percent number must rise."

Jenkins said he, along with University Provost Tom Burish, has asked Vice President and Associate Provost Dennis Jacobs to lead a group charged with the goal of deciphering ways to increase the percentage of graduates who go on to earn a Ph.D.

One way to get students interested in research, Jenkins told the professors, is to teach courses in ways that will inspire students to ask ques-

tions and find answers.

"As we seek to enhance research at Notre Dame," he said, "let us individually and collectively strive to encourage our students to become fellow inquirers and colleagues in the pursuit of discovery, understanding and expression."

Jenkins named a number of initiatives already underway to expand research efforts to the undergraduate population. The creation of the position of assistant director for undergraduate research, filled by Cecilia Lucero, the expansion of the honors programs in the Colleges of Arts and Letters and Science, the creation of an honors program in the College of Engineering and the addition of honors tracks for the majority of majors, are all ways to attract students to research opportunities as undergraduates, Jenkins said.

Jenkins' objective to graduate more intellectual leaders is part of his overall strategic vision of Notre Dame as a premier research university. A benchmark goal for the University in terms of its reputation and capabilities as a research university, Jenkins

said, is to be a member of the Association of American Universities, a group composed of the most distinguished research universities in the country.

Notre Dame will not seek to join the club for prestige or pride, Jenkins said, but rather to enjoy the benefits of sharing information and advice with other members and the reputation membership will bring.

Being a strong candidate for the association, Jenkins said, is an "achievable goal in coming years" for Notre Dame.

Of course, research requires money, Jenkins said. But that money is increasingly available for Notre Dame.

During the third year of a university president's tenure, Burish said in his introduction of Jenkins, it typically becomes apparent whether the school's financial supporters support the new president's vision. In Jenkins' case, they support his vision, Burish said.

"They've come to support the president like never before in this University's history," Burish said.

Jenkins announced in his speech that the University

exceeded the \$1 billion mark in its Spirit of Notre Dame campaign two weeks ago. The campaign was launched in May. Records were broken in each of the key fundraising areas, Jenkins said.

With the approval of the Board of Trustees, Jenkins said, the University plans to invest \$25 million in new one-time funding and \$5 million in new annual recurring funding in research initiatives.

As the University invests more money in research and becomes comparable with top-tier research universities, Jenkins said he was confident the University would increase faculty salaries to make them more comparable to those at the private universities in the Association of American Universities.

A Catholic university

Jenkins' address to the faculty last year listed recruiting Catholic faculty members as a major goal of the University, and this year, he again mentioned his belief that Notre Dame, as a Catholic university, must have "a preponderance of Catholic faculty, those who

have been spiritually formed in that tradition and who embrace it."

Recruiting Catholic faculty is still a goal, Jenkins said, but he stressed the importance and the contribution of faculty members of other faiths and of no faith.

"Notre Dame must be a place for respectful, informed dialogue about matters of faith and spirituality, and we cannot be such a place without those who embrace other great religious traditions," he said.

Jenkins said he and Burish, along with a committee, will draft a statement to give the reasons for hiring faculty to enrich the Catholic mission of the University.

"It will state why we seek faculty who are Catholic and faculty of other faith traditions and of none, and how each can contribute to a Catholic university," Jenkins said. "This document will, I hope, be a guide for seeking great scholars who will contribute to the distinctive mission of Notre Dame."

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CHINA

Terrorism may threaten Olympics

Public Security Minister will seek international cooperation in 2008

Associated Press

BEIJING — China's top cop said terrorism is the biggest threat at its Olympic Games, and a leading terror expert warned Tuesday that Beijing faces a long-term threat from an Islamic separatist group in its far west.

In remarks appearing on the sixth anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the United States, Public Security Minister Zhou Yongkang said China would seek closer cooperation with other nations in dealing with the threat.

"Although the general security situation for the Beijing Olympics remains stable, we still face the challenges of terrorism, separatism and extremism," Zhou was quoted by the state-run China Daily newspaper as saying.

"Terrorism in particular poses the biggest threat," Zhou told a security conference in Beijing on Monday, the paper said.

Safeguarding the Olympics has been one of the biggest costs and concerns for cities hosting the games in recent years. Greek officials spent a record \$1.4 billion on security for the 2004 Athens Olympics.

Experts say the terrorist threat to the Aug. 8-24, 2008, Olympics is relatively low, but they warn that Beijing faces a growing threat from Islamic separatists among the Uighur population in the western region of Xinjiang.

However, only one or two terrorist groups are capable of attacks in northeast Asia, and their ability to operate within China's tightly controlled society is very limited, said Rohan Gunaratna, author of "Inside al-Qaida — Global Network of Terror."

"The threat (to the Beijing Olympics) is medium to low. The threat from the outside is very low," said Gunaratna, who is based in Singapore.

He warned, however, that China's counterterrorism capabilities remain relatively weak, especially in its understanding of groups based outside its borders. "I expect they'll improve a lot before the Olympics," he said.

China has not joined military operations in Iraq or Afghanistan, and has not so far been a target of al-Qaida or other Islamic terror groups.

It recently appointed a special envoy to focus on Middle Eastern conflicts, but Beijing's involvement in the region has mainly been limited to economic contacts and calls for a negotiated settlement to the Palestinian question.

Although Uighur separatists have launched occasional bombings and assassinations, the last serious incidents were a decade ago.

In a rare publicized action earlier this year, China said it raided a terror camp in Xinjiang run by the East Turkestan Islamic Movement, or ETIM, killing 18 militants it says had links to al-Qaida and the Taliban.

The Sept. 11 attacks helped dilute U.S. and other foreign criticisms of China's heavy-handed tactics toward ethnic separatists it accuses of terrorism.

However, Gunaratna said the ETIM remained dangerous and was developing stronger links with al-Qaida, changing it from an essentially Uighur nationalist group to one espousing a pan-Islamic ideology. ETIM trains in Pakistan's remote tribal areas and has been spreading its message on the Internet.

Gunaratna estimated the group represents the views of less than 1 percent of China's approximately 50 million Muslims. But he warned that China needed to avoid alienating mainstream Uighurs by improving education and job options and showing more

sensitivity to their ethnic concerns.

Interpol said Monday it would help China with security by sending a "major events support team" to the Olympics that will have quick access to Interpol files on fingerprints, images and "wanted persons notices."

Interpol will also provide "threat assessments" on issues relating to Olympic security and international crime, the organization said.

Liu Jing, a vice minister for public security, told the meeting in Beijing that China hopes all 135 cities on the Olympic torch relay route will also help safeguard that event, the China Daily said. Liu was quoted as saying that some organizations and individuals were trying to politicize the games and planned to disrupt the relay.

In one indication of discord, Taiwanese media reported that China has insisted Taiwan's national flag and official emblem do not show up along a proposed 15-mile torch route in Taipei. China claims Taiwan as its territory, and objects to all symbols of sovereignty by the democratic, self-ruling island.

Mia Farrow, a U.N. goodwill ambassador, has labeled the Beijing Games the "genocide Olympics," and has launched her own torch relay through countries with histories of mass atrocities. The actress says China has impeded a solution to deadly ethnic conflicts in Sudan's Darfur region because of its oil interests in that country.

China has legitimate concerns over terrorism at the Olympics, but those are only one facet of its desire to avoid any embarrassment to a regime that has staked enormous prestige on staging successful games, said Nicholas Bequelin, a Hong Kong-based researcher with Human Rights Watch.

IRAQ

Camp Victory fired upon in fatal attack

Insurgents kill 'third country national', wound 11

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Insurgents fired rockets or mortars Tuesday at the sprawling garrison that houses the headquarters of American forces in Iraq, killing one person and wounding 11 coalition soldiers, the U.S. command said.

The command said the person killed was a "third country national," meaning someone who is not an American or Iraqi. Most troops stationed at Camp Victory are American but other coalition soldiers are based at the complex near Baghdad International Airport. No further details on the attack were immediately released.

The attack occurred as U.S. Ambassador Ryan Crocker and the top commander Gen. David Petraeus testified before Congress for a second day on the situation in Iraq since President Bush's decision to send 30,000 reinforcements to stem sectarian violence.

Petraeus recommended keeping the bulk of U.S. forces in Iraq through next summer. The Associated Press has learned that Bush will tell the American people this week he plans to reduce the U.S. troop presence by next summer to pre-buildup levels.

The Iraqi government welcomed Petraeus' recommendation to keep additional forces in Iraq into this coming year, giving assurances that the need for U.S. military support here would decrease over time.

National Security Adviser Mouwaffak al-Rubaie, reading from a government statement, said the Iraqis believed that "in the near future" the need for U.S. and other coalition forces "will decrease."

"The aim of the Iraqi government is to achieve self-reliance in security as soon as possible, but we still need the support of coalition forces to reach this point," cautioned al-Rubaie,

who in the past has often given rosy pictures of Iraq's capabilities.

Al-Rubaie said the Iraqis "understand ... the impatience and disappointment of our coalition supporters who expected more (progress) sooner."

Some Iraqis said the testimony in Washington meant little for their daily struggles in Baghdad.

"I was listening to the report last night, and I think it's a forgery lacking credibility. They (the Americans) care for their interests only," said a Baghdad resident who gave only his nickname, Abu Ali, out of fear of reprisals. "It might be propaganda ahead of U.S. elections."

Much of the American criticism has centered on the failure of Iraq's Shiite-dominated government to enact power-sharing agreements among Sunni, Shiite and Kurdish factions, which the U.S. sees as essential to lasting peace.

However, there were some signs of progress on the political front.

The Iraqi Cabinet sent to parliament a draft bill that would allow many former Saddam Hussein supporters to get back their government jobs — a major Sunni demand. The bill would also bring the screening commission under tighter legislative control, according to a copy obtained Tuesday by The Associated Press.

Sunni discontent over government policies prompted the six Cabinet members from the main Sunni bloc to walk off the job last month, triggering a major political crisis.

On Tuesday, however, Planning Minister Ali Baban announced he was returning to work "temporarily." His Iraqi Accordance Front demanded he reverse the decision, and one faction leader branded the move "treason."

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IN BRIEF

U.S. trade deficit sees slight decline

WASHINGTON — The U.S. trade deficit declined slightly in July, helped by record exports that offset the biggest foreign oil bill in nearly a year. But even a spate of recalls did not stop the deficit with China from climbing to the second-highest level on record.

The trade deficit edged down 0.3 percent in July to \$59.2 billion, compared with \$59.4 billion the month before, the Commerce Department reported Tuesday. It was the lowest monthly imbalance since April.

So far this year, the deficit — which hit \$758.5 billion last year — is running at an annual rate of \$711 billion. Many private economists believe stronger economic growth overseas, a weaker dollar that makes American exports more competitive and slower growth at home will help lower the deficit after five consecutive years of record imbalances.

McDonald's reports increased sales

OAK BROOK, Ill. — McDonald's Corp. reported impressive August sales Tuesday, attributing a better-than-expected 8.1 percent increase in same-store results to strong demand for its breakfast items, drinks and new chicken wrap as well as a continuing turnaround in Europe.

The monthly sales report sent shares in the world's largest restaurant company up more than 4 percent in morning trading and helped propel the Dow Jones industrial average higher.

The Oak Brook-based chain said its U.S. same-store sales grew 7.4 percent, which exceeded analysts' estimates. Besides the product popularity, some areas' later start to the school year also helped.

FCC pushes digital TV broadcasts

WASHINGTON — Subscribers will still be able to tune in their favorite shows when broadcasters shift to digital-only transmission in 2009.

Seeking more than a promise, Federal Communications Commission Chairman Kevin Martin wants commissioners to require cable companies to provide that service.

The greatest impact of the digital conversion will be on viewers of non-digital televisions who receive their signals over the air. Beginning Feb. 18, 2009, they will be forced to buy a special converter box, subsidized by the government, to receive their channels.

AUSTRIA

OPEC production boosts fuels market

Oil futures benefit, but domestic barrel prices expected to remain high

Associated Press

VIENNA — OPEC sought to reassure jittery oil markets Tuesday by agreeing to boost crude production by 500,000 barrels a day — a move the cartel conceded was prompted partly by "clouds on the horizon" from the U.S. housing slump.

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries said the higher output would begin Nov. 1. It pledged to "vigilantly monitor" the other factors buffeting crude markets, including worries that supplies might not keep pace with higher demand later this year as it becomes winter in the Northern Hemisphere.

Significantly — and surprisingly — the 12-nation cartel said the increase would be based on current production, meaning it will add real oil to the market.

In the recent past, OPEC has raised only its official output quota — and because it tends to pump over those targets, the increases were purely cosmetic.

"Our message to the consumer is that we care," said Abdalla Salem El-Badri, OPEC's secretary general.

"We are concerned, and that is why we increased production," he said.

After OPEC's announcement, light, sweet crude for October delivery immediately advanced above \$78 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. By the end of an up and down session, it rose 74 cents to settle at \$78.23 a barrel, besting the previous record, set July 31, by 2 cents.

In London, October Brent crude gained 23 cents to \$75.71 a barrel



International oil ministers meet at the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries headquarters in Vienna, Austria on Tuesday to discuss supply output rates.

on the ICE Futures exchange.

"The fact that they're actually adding oil is very, very positive," said John Hall, an analyst with John Hall Associates in London.

Hall noted that prices have more than doubled in just 2 1/2 years. Crude hit an intraday record of \$78.77 a barrel in early August on the Nymex, and prices since have been holding fairly steadily above \$76.

But Simon Wardell, a senior energy consultant with Global Insight, said high crude costs may be here to stay.

"While OPEC's move will have a short-term price effect, the medium-term picture appears to be set for continued high prices," he said.

El-Badri told reporters the decision to loosen OPEC's taps was based in part on the effects of the crisis in the U.S. subprime

mortgage market, where defaults have prompted lenders to tighten loan requirements.

That has sent ripples across all sectors of the economy, including the energy market, by raising fears of a U.S. recession and reduced demand for oil and gasoline.

"We have seen the financial markets and the subprime mortgage (crisis) putting some clouds on the horizon," he said.

Investors speculate about interest cuts

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street rose sharply Tuesday as investors grew more confident that the Federal Reserve will lower interest rates next week, even after its chairman gave no clues about the central bank's intentions. The Dow Jones industrials rose 180 points.

Traders had been hoping Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke would give some indication during a speech to Germany's Bundesbank about the Fed's next move. Wall Street is looking for a rate cut to help bolster the U.S. economy and ease problems caused by tightening credit availability.

Instead, Bernanke talked about the need for countries around the globe to cooperate toward economic stability. He said "global imbalances" occur when countries run up trade deficits or produce big trade surpluses.

"Bernanke didn't really say anything about interest rates, but at this point the feeling on Wall Street is that it's mandatory," said Steven Goldman, chief market strategist, Weeden & Co., speaking about a rate cut. "At this point, the market is pricing in not just one rate cut, but a couple, and that's helping to stabilize stocks."

The stock market has been volatile since midsummer, with jitters high about the sluggish housing market and debt aversion causing a standstill in the credit markets and damaging the economy. Last Friday's jobs report, which showed the first monthly payrolls decline in four years, aggravated those concerns. Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Economy.com, predicted the risk of a recession in the next six to 12 months has increased to nearly 40 percent from less than 15 percent before subprime concerns began

riling the markets.

Investors nervous about the U.S. economy slipping into recession got a bit of relief from the Commerce Department's report on the U.S. trade deficit. The trade gap narrowed modestly in July to \$59.2 billion from \$59.4 billion in June, thanks to record exports of farm goods, autos and other products. Many economists had anticipated a widening of the deficit.

The Dow rose 180.54, or 1.38 percent, to 13,308.39. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 19.79, or 1.36 percent, to 1,471.49, while the Nasdaq composite index rose 38.36, or 1.50 percent, to 2,597.47.

Bonds fell as investors withdrew money to buy stocks, pushing the 10-year Treasury note's yield up to 4.37 percent from 4.27 percent late Monday. The dollar weakened against the euro and British pound, while gold moved higher.

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Every life a gift from God

Can we tell when a civilization is in decline? Consider two recent events.

Leona Helmsley, the New York real estate developer known in the tabloids as "the Queen of Mean," left a 12 million dollar trust fund for the care and feeding of

Trouble, her Maltese terrier. She gave nothing to two of her grandchildren, but she did leave her chauffeur 100,000 dollars. As John Gapper commented in the Financial Times, Trouble is in the same league as "Incitatus, Caligula's horse, which slept in a marble stable and was fed oats mixed with gold flakes." Caligula wanted to make Incitatus a consul of Rome. "Perhaps," said Gapper, noting a parallel between ancient Rome and today's America, "the rich and powerful treating animals as if they were humans is a symptom of the decadent last days of empire."

Compared with Trouble, the unborn child is really in trouble. Last April, in *Gonzales v. Carhart*, the Supreme Court upheld the federal Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003. Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote the majority opinion, joined by Chief Justice John Roberts and Justices Antonin Scalia, Clarence Thomas and Samuel Alito. Partial-birth abortion is used in the second trimester or later. As described in the Act, the partial-birth abortionist "delivers a living fetus until, in the case of a head-first presentation, the entire fetal head is outside the body of the mother, or, in the case of breech presentation, any part of the fetal trunk past the navel is outside the body of the mother, for the purpose of performing an overt act that the person knows will kill the partially delivered living fetus; and ... performs the overt act, other

than completion of delivery, that kills the partially delivered fetus."

The *Gonzales* ruling upholds a prohibition of only one method of executing an unborn child. It will not stop a single abortion. Abortionists easily avoid the Act by killing the child first inside the womb by a lethal injection.

The Kennedy opinion portrayed the homicidal reality of partial-birth abortion in such graphic terms that none of the Justices could possibly have had any doubt about the humanity of the victim. Yet they all agree that the unborn child is a nonperson and therefore has no right to life.

The Fourteenth Amendment protects the right of a "person" to life and to the equal protection of the laws. In *Roe v. Wade*, the Court stated that if the personhood of the unborn child were established, the pro-abortion case "collapses." The *Roe* Court held, however, that "the word 'person,' as used in the Fourteenth Amendment, does not include the unborn," whether or not the unborn child is a human being. *Roe* is therefore the same as a ruling that an acknowledged human being is a nonperson. The principle that an innocent human being can be defined as a nonperson and deprived of the right to life is the principle that underlay the Nazi extermination of the Jews and the 1857 *Dred Scott* case in which the Court said that slaves were property rather than persons.

Every Justice now on the Court accepts the *Roe* holding that the unborn child is a nonperson. Even the "pro-life" Justices, Thomas and Scalia, agree that, in Scalia's words, "The states may, if they wish, permit abortion-on-demand, but the Constitution does not require them to do so." That position confirms that, as far as the U.S. Constitution is concerned, the unborn child is a non-

person. If an innocent human being can be subjected to death at the discretion of another whenever a state legislature so decides, he is a nonperson in the eyes of both state law and that Constitution.

If the unborn child can be treated as a nonperson so can anyone else. The law is an educator. The highest Court proclaims the constitutional legitimacy of the intentional infliction of death on the innocent as an optional problem-solving technique. It does so with respect to the youngest. Why are we surprised when it is applied to others, as in *Columbine*, *Virginia Tech*, *Terri Schiavo's* case, etc.?

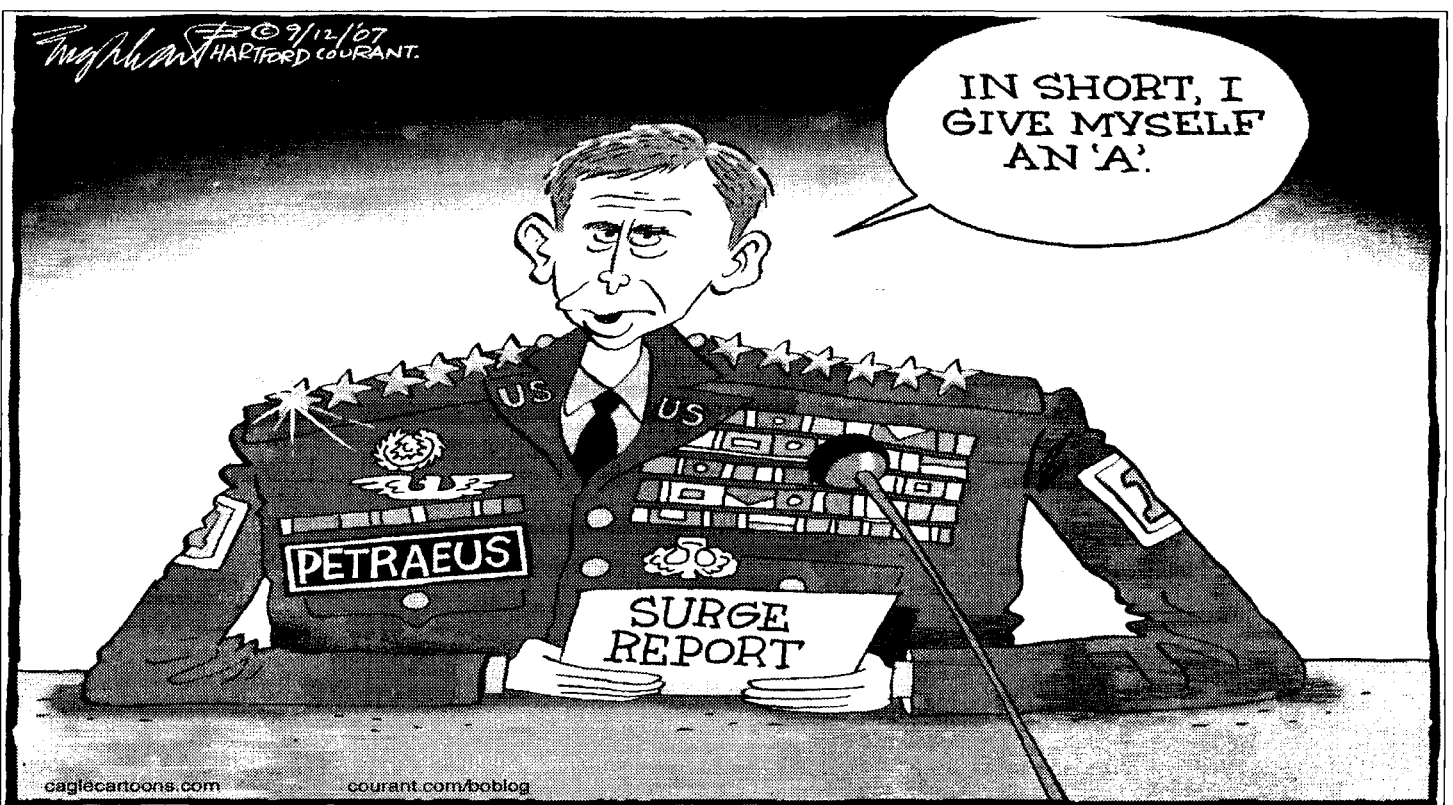
In 1974, Cardinals John Krol, Timothy Manning, John Cody and Humberto Medeiros insisted before a Senate committee that a constitutional amendment "should clearly establish that, from conception onward, the unborn child is a human person in the terms of the Constitution. ... Protection of human life should not depend upon geographical boundaries." The Cardinals had it right. A pro-life position should insist not only on effective prohibitions of abortion but also on the treatment of all innocent human beings as persons entitled to the right to life.

The object is to restore among the American people the conviction that life is inviolable because it is a gift from God. A civilization might survive the pampering of a horse or a dog by people with more money than brains, but it cannot survive the systematic depersonalization of its own innocent human beings.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Stan, don't you know the first law of physics? Anything that's fun costs at least eight dollars."

Eric Cartman
South Park

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It is by the goodness of God that in our country we have those three unspeakably precious things: freedom of speech, freedom of conscience and the prudence never to practice either of them."

Mark Twain
American author

U-WIRE

Now remember the soldiers

Travis Virgadamo was only 13 years old when the World Trade Center towers fell. Six years later he was Specialist Travis Virgadamo, celebrating his 19th birthday in what is commonly known among the troops as "the sandbox."

Mitchell Parker

It's hard to explain why or how we ended up in Iraq, but in the aftermath of

Spartan Daily

Sept. 11, American troops were deployed to the Middle East to inject democracy into a region of people nobody ever took the time to understand.

On Aug. 30, just 13 days after his birthday, Virgadamo died from a reported self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Six days ago, Corporal William Warford III, known as Billy, from Temple, Texas, was one of two soldiers killed from a homemade explosive in Balad, Iraq. He was 24. This is about all the military will tell the public about Virgadamo and Warford.

As General David Petraeus sat in front of a congressional committee yesterday, trying to justify the killings in this war, he did his cajoling with charts, graphs and statistics.

If Petraeus and President Bush would visit Warford's MySpace page they would see that he was more than just a statistic.

Graphs won't show Warford's beautiful widow, Shea, or a picture of his adorable son dressed as Batman. Charts won't show the life Warford had — the friends, the family, the funny picture comments he got every week on his site.

Statistics won't show the comments he received before his death, or the ones after.

"Hey brother we will miss you. You will always be in our hearts. See you on the other side. Hook 'em Horns."

A pie graph won't highlight what Virgadamo's page tells: His perfect pizza consists of banana peppers; that his goal for this year was to travel; that his fears were "snakes, especially on a plane;" and that prior to his death, friends were wishing him the best.

There has never been a war memorial like this in the history of warfare. At the Vietnam War memorial in Washington, D.C., you don't know what song a soldier or civilian was listening to before their death; what YouTube video they thought was funny; or that on the topic of chil-

dren, "someday" was the answer, as it was for Virgadamo.

These are the faces of war. These are the repercussions. This is the destruction of current and future families.

It's not in charts or statistics. It's not in a graph claiming the "troop surge" in this real-life game of "Risk" is "working."

War is in the face of the widow; in the face of the once-happy "proud parent" from Temple, Texas; in the comment left to Virgadamo: "Blue skies, bro, rest in peace."

As a 30-year-old Iraqi told me in an e-mail: "Life here is unacceptable and not suitable even for animals. I can get killed because of my work or for nothing. There are no infrastructure services, i.e. no electricity, no water, very bad sewage systems. It's hard sometimes to imagine and you have to see or live the situation."

The Iraqi, who is an engineering graduate student at the University of Baghdad, went on to say: "My wife and I tried to have a baby but we couldn't. Lots of doctors said it is because of the current situation and also because of the radiate weapons that (are) used during

the war."

Toni Campbell, chair of child and adolescent development at SJSU, said that for families and children involved in Iraq, the outcome is dismal.

"War disrupts lots of people," she said. "And when the people who are supposed to care for children are stressed, when the stress is passed on to the children, sad and terrible things happen."

I urge you to check the names of our fallen soldiers, look at their MySpace pages and send their families a quick comment or e-mail today. Believe me, even though I never met Warford or his wife, Shea, she was so thankful to receive kind words from a stranger.

I then urge you to think about your vote in 2008 and make sure you don't vote for anyone who allows democracy to be exploited, families to be torn apart and innocent people to die, for no good reason at all.

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U-WIRE

Health care lacks for Sept. 11 workers

The terrorist attack on Sept. 11 could be the most shocking tragedy in my generation's lifetime.

And although thousands of innocent lives were lost and a memorable pair of skyscrapers was destroyed, a great American spirit rose from the rubble. Countless heroes stepped up to the challenge and risked their lives to assist in the rescue efforts.

Lauren Englehardt

The Daily Aztec

As a nation mourned, Americans threw their support behind a president who endorsed a war built on false pretenses. Anyone remember those WMDs?

Now as people reflect six years later, it seems strange to report that some of the very same people most affected by this tragedy have not been treated fairly by the government and are now suffering

debilitating health problems as a result of their heroism.

The U.S. government does not have a sufficient array of health treatment programs for Ground Zero workers, whose illnesses range from chronic bronchitis to cancer, or even a reliable estimate on how much treating their illnesses will cost, according to a federal report by the Government Accountability Office released July 24.

Six years and counting, and our own government can't even treat the very people who risked their lives to save others, yet it can somehow afford to finance two increasingly unpopular wars?

Perhaps the U.S. needs to listen to one of my dad's "Get your priorities straight" lectures.

The institutions in charge of lobbying for increased funds for rescue workers have not done a sufficient job in raising enough money to cover these heroes' ris-

ing health costs.

Of the approximately 6,000 workers with illnesses resulting from the Sept. 11 clean-up effort, none have recovered completely.

The most the government can do is give these selfless workers some money for a screening, but none for treatment.

Great, so workers can find out they are sick from the toxic mix of asbestos, ground glass, concrete and other assorted chemicals, but they can't be treated for any illnesses that are discovered?

Earlier this year, federal money became available for only three categories of illnesses resulting from the cleanup efforts: Aerodigestive (asthma and reflux disorders), psychological and musculoskeletal. These treatment options don't cover cancer or any other serious illnesses that may show up down the line.

So the government will pay for some

inhalers, visits to the chiropractor and the therapist, but if you contract anything as serious as cancer, then you're out of luck, because it's not the easiest and least expensive sickness to treat.

It's time the government stepped up to the plate, got an accurate count of the cost needed to treat these workers and delivered the money. And lack of health insurance shouldn't be a factor in this mess. These workers truly deserve to get whatever medical treatment they need.

If Sept. 11 was important enough to drive the U.S. to war, one would think our country would feel indebted to those so directly affected by its aftermath.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON





CROWE AND BALE SADDLE UP

WANTED



RUSSELL CROWE

By ELLEN COSTA
Staff Writer

Yes, Russell has returned. Fully recovered from his series of setbacks in recent years, Russell Crowe revisits the big screen in Lions Gate Films' "3:10 to Yuma."

Let's go back about five years. Crowe stood among Hollywood's greatest; he was coming off three consecutive Best Actor nominations, including his Oscar win for "Gladiator" in 2000. In "Gladiator," Crowe played Maximus, who climbs up the ranks of the gladiatorial arena to retaliate against those who murdered his family and his emperor.

Russell Crowe found another great role in "Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World," where his coarse charm could shine. Here, Crowe played Lucky Jack, who mans the HMS Surprise on its mission to destroy a French privateer. In 2001, Crowe took on a very different role in "A Beautiful Mind." In the film, he played professor John Nash, a brilliant mathematician with schizophrenia, in an almost frighteningly convincing manner. Russell Crowe's career seemed unstoppable. Great role after great role was falling into his hands, and in each role he succeeded tremendously. Then the tides began to turn.

In 2005, Russell Crowe starred as boxer Jim Braddock in "Cinderella Man." The film received excellent reviews but completely bombed in theaters. Last year, Crowe starred in the romantic comedy "A Good Year." It was anything but good.

Crowe is not known for a lovable personality — quite the opposite. Two incidents tainted the actor's reputation. First, there was the quarrel with a producer after the BAFTA Awards in London. BBC had cut out a portion of his acceptance speech, and Crowe was not pleased. "In the moment," he told media outlets, "I'm a very passionate man."

But that was not the end of the violent allegations against Crowe. In June 2005, Crowe was arrested for chucking a cell phone at a hotel employee's face. The hotel employee needed facial surgery. Though Crowe publicly apologized and paid his dues, this widely covered story still follows his name.

Somewhere between great films, lousy films and violent disputes, he found time to join a rock band. He is the lead singer and guitarist for the Australian band 30 Odd Foot of Grunts. Though the band has a primarily Australian fan base, its music is available online, and it plans to continue releasing albums.

Crowe's career is looking up. Coming off a great job in "3:10 To Yuma," Crowe has four movies set to be released over the next two years, according to IMDb. Perhaps most anticipated is Ridley Scott's "American Gangster," a film about a drug lord who uses the coffins of deceased American soldiers in the Vietnam War to smuggle heroin into Harlem. Crowe, who plays Detective Richie Roberts, stars along with Denzel Washington and Cuba Gooding Jr.

Despite the obvious ups and downs of Russell Crowe's career, his inexhaustibly gruff handsomeness and charm will always allow him to remain a key player in Hollywood. And with better films falling into his hands — like the now-playing "3:10 to Yuma" — we will surely be able to go back to enjoying the acting we loved in "Gladiator" and "A Beautiful Mind" once more.

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STARS FACE OFF IN A WILD WESTERN WRANGLE

By TAE ANDREWS
Scene Editor

Russell Crowe and Christian Bale cowboy up for "3:10 to Yuma," a throwback Western with a modern feel to it. Like most Westerns, the plot in "3:10 to Yuma" remains fairly simple and straightforward: A local posse saddles up to send the notorious outlaw Ben Wade packing. Along the way they encounter danger from all sides in the free-for-all rough-and-tumble world of the wild west: the lethal Wade himself, Apache Indians, Wade's hard-riding band of harriers, which remains hot on its heels to rescue its leader and a random Luke Wilson appearance.

Russell Crowe saunters through scene after scene with a sinister swagger as the legendary outlaw Ben Wade. The Bible-quoting, rough-riding rogue has a train to catch after local authorities apprehend him and plan to send him packing on the titular railroad ride to await trial. After tough-as-nails turns in 2000's "Gladiator" and 2005's "Cinderella Man," Crowe shines again in a slightly different light as a charismatic, quick-on-the-draw gunslinger with a

conscience, despite his claims to the contrary. Which isn't to say he's any less tough: The "man's man" actor maintains a lethal gleam in his eye throughout the film, even when flashing his lazy Cheshire Cat grin.

Opposite Crowe in the frame and on the other side of the law, Christian Bale plays Dan Evans, a rancher missing a foot and running out of time to pay off his mounting debts. The career ne'er do well takes the job of accompanying the Wade posse for a paltry sum in order to save his farm and regain the respect of his wife and sons. Bale's gaunt cheekbones have desperation written all over them, and he plays the part well.

"3:10 to Yuma" uses Crowe and Bale well as character foils. Evans is the desperate family man seeking to save home and hearth while trying to send Wade, a self-interested man concerned only with escaping so he can continue his marauding ways, to Yuma.

In a movie featuring the actor who played Batman versus the man who portrayed Maximus, what could have devolved into a testosterone fest ends up working well due to Bale's performance. He doesn't try to match Crowe's tough-guy panache but instead sets himself up as a man with a world of things to prove. In other words, moviegoers will want to be Ben Wade, but they'll feel for Dan Evans.

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shines as W
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3:10 to Yuma

Directed by: James Mangold
Starring: Russell Crowe, Christian Bale



Christian Bale plays family man Dan Evans, a desperate rancher trying to save hearth and home from financial ruin.



Peter Fonda plays Byron McElr, a rancher trying to save hearth and home from financial ruin.

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William Evans, Dan's son who
from home against his
father's orders and finds
himself a member of the
posse dedicated to putting
away Wade. His obvious
infatuation with Ben
Wade's rock star outlaw
persona contrasts well with
his father's plain admoni-
tions on hard work, integri-
ty and how to be a man.

However, despite the
star power flashing back
and forth onscreen
between Bale and Crowe,
actor Ben Foster steals the
show as the vicious Charlie
whose ruthless and psychotic
Ben Wade's second-in-com-
mand baby blue eyes.

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James Mangold spurs the
kicking it into an ever-faster
rhetoric up the pace and the
bodies pile up and the
down to the inevitable battle of
Ben Dan Evans and Ben Wade
against time. The movie's cen-
ter of morality shifts as often as
sands of the desert, and the
things left standing in the end
Wade and his thirst for free-
dom Evans' dogged determina-
tion to win and collect his pay-
pairing of Crowe and Bale's
combined with Mangold's direc-
tional willingness to expend bucket-
et shells in the film's action
make "3:10 to Yuma" one of
the most entertaining movies of



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Russell Crowe plays legendary outlaw Ben Wade, a charis-
matic rogue with a quick smile and a quicker draw.

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a tough-as-nails old leath-
er the prisoner Ben Wade.



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Tucker (Kevin Durand) and Dan Evans (Christian Bale) form
a posse to bring Ben Wade (Russell Crowe) to justice.

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CHRISTIAN BALE

By STEPHANIE DEPREZ

Staff Writer

Christian Bale is finally crossing the threshold. After nearly 20 years of a hard but steady journey up the Hollywood totem poll, Bale is at last nearing the inner ring of actors. He is becoming the kind of guy that Hollywood trusts to deliver. The top box office opening for "3:10 to Yuma" is testament to Bale's ability to work magic in a good movie.

Cinematic victory did not come easily for Bale, who has worked steadily in the industry since 1986. After a few roles in TV movies, Bale starred in Disney's Newsies, a musical that was somewhat of a flop. He continued to work in the Disney circle and was the voice of Thomas, John Smith's friend, in the animated film Pocahontas. He played opposite Wynona Rider as Laurie in Little Women. Bale began to gain prominence when he starred as Demetrius in "A Midsummer Night's Dream" with Kevin Kline and Michelle Pfeiffer.

Following that role was a steady flow of large Hollywood releases, but it wasn't until the summer of 2005 that a movie thrust Bale into the spotlight. "Batman Begins" opened to a whirlwind of excitement, and it helped Hollywood get through what was turning into years of solid box office decline. For Bale, it was "Batman Begins" that put him in a position to land the movies he wanted.

Since then, Bale has had a trail of successes. He's taken a few risks, including "American Psycho" prior to "Batman Begins," but he has allowed nothing to stand in the way of his rise to cinematic power. He lost a third of his body weight to do "The Machinist," the story of a man suffering from extreme insomnia. Mainstream success accompanied "The Prestige" with Hugh Jackman and the Vietnam War film "Rescue Dawn." At last, Bale has reached a position of authority among his Hollywood peers.

Movies like "3:10 to Yuma" do not come along often; the last truly successful Western was "Unforgiven" with Clint Eastwood in the early '90s. What used to be the single greatest Hollywood formula has since faded into obscurity, a somewhat forgotten art form that no longer equals immediate box office gold. Still, shooting a Western is a sign of accomplishment for any actor, and without a doubt the success of "Batman Begins" has led to bigger and better roles for Bale. Ever since "Batman Begins," he's been able to stretch his capabilities as an actor.

Though never formally trained, Bale's intensity and subtle emotion have carried him through his career. Now, he doesn't always have to wait for another movie to come along. He is receiving scripts, as opposed to seeking them out. Though perhaps not an Oscar contender (yet), Bale is a key element of what is currently the hottest movie in America. He manages to hold his own against heavy-hitter Russell Crowe (Best Actor Oscar winner in 2001). His good-guy performance helps make "3:10 to Yuma" a truly great American Western.

Christian Bale has proven that the basic Hollywood system works: Start out young, get bit roles, work hard, get bigger roles, grow as an actor and work until something happens. And somewhere along the line, that something did happen. All eyes are on Bale as he takes his next steps as a true Hollywood staple.

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SHAKESPEARE

Actors From the London Stage to present Macbeth at annual on campus performance

Performers will play multiple roles in the great tragedy that will be shown at Washington Hall this weekend

By MICHELLE FORDICE
Assistant Scene Editor

Every year, the Actors from the London Stage grace the Notre Dame campus with a performance. This year, Shakespeare's "Macbeth" will come to life in Washington Hall.

After more than 30 years, the Actors from the London Stage are one of the oldest touring Shakespeare companies in the world. They are associated with the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, which serves as their booking agent and home in the United States, but are actually housed and work in London. In addition to their performances, they visit and teach classes at universities. The actors hail from companies like the Royal Shakespeare Company, the Royal National Theatre of Great Britain and Shakespeare's Globe Theatre. And since AFTLS performances do not use a director, the actors' skill is on full display.

The Actors from the London Stage are recognized for their minimalist, but effective, production style. While "Macbeth" has more than 27 characters, the company will consist of only five actors (this year features Will Ashcroft, Brigid Zengeni, Chris Donnelly, Daniel Winter and Charlotte Allam).

Traditionally, the Actors from the London Stage keep the stage nearly bare; one of the only set pieces for their production of "Romeo and Juliet" was a standard ladder to serve as the famous balcony. The actors remain on stage for the entire performance, sitting at the back if they are not performing. Props are also kept to a minimum; the swords in last year's production of "Hamlet" were symbolized by a glove on the actor's hand. The actors wear basic, functional, modern clothing and simply add a small piece or prop to indicate the character they are portraying. With so few embellishments, the production is clean and remains centered on the acting and the words instead of the decoration.

Not only do the actors create their environment on the stage in front of the audience, they try to involve their audience as much as possible.

they also try to involve their audience as much as possible. In many of the productions, the house lights are left high, the actors walk through the audience to get to the stage and, on occasion, the characters directly address the crowd.

The Shakespearean tragedy "Macbeth" depicts the story of the eponymous Macbeth, a Scottish general who descends into madness after killing his king in order to ascend to the throne. After returning from a victorious battle, Macbeth and his fellow general, Banquo, come upon three witches. The three witches prophesize that Macbeth will become king of Scotland, while Banquo is told his descendants will be a line of kings. While



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In "Macbeth," versatile actress Charlotte Allam plays five different roles: Malcolm, Cathness, Wife of Macduff, First Witch and Murderer.

both men are initially skeptical, Macbeth begins to waver in his loyalty to King Duncan as the prophecy begins to appear true. Encouraged by his wife, Macbeth murders Duncan. Still, there is no triumph for Macbeth and his lady, only overwhelming guilt and doubt.

AFTLS performances become more than a show; they are a conversation with the audience. A refreshing change from Shakespeare performances that focus on ornamentation, these productions feature nothing except for

Shakespeare's words and the ability of the actors. The usual theatrical excellence of the company, paired with the classical greatness of Shakespeare's "Macbeth," is a sure sign of a good show this week.

"Macbeth" will run in Washington Hall tonight through Friday night. To purchase tickets for all shows, contact the DPAC ticket office at 574-631-800. Tickets are \$12 for students.

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Macbeth

When: Wednesday, Sept. 12 - Friday Sept. 14 at 7:30 pm
Where: Washington Hall
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Will Ashcroft becomes the faces of Banquo, Lennox, Seyward, Son of Macduff, Scottish Doctor and Porter in this weekend's production of "Macbeth."



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Chris Donnelly, Brigid Zengeni and Dan Winter fill out the rest of the cast from the Actors of the London Stage, who are visiting Notre Dame this weekend.

MLB

Rookie pitcher leads Tigers to 4-1 win over Rangers

Detroit goes 1-1 in Tuesday's doubleheader

Associated Press

DETROIT — Jair Jurrjens saved the Detroit Tigers from what could have been a terrible day.

The rookie right-hander allowed one run over five innings to lead the Tigers to a victory over the Texas Rangers and a split of Tuesday's day-night doubleheader.

Marlon Byrd hit two of the Rangers' seven homers in their 13-6 win in the opener.

The outing by Jurrjens (2-1), who was activated from the disabled list on Tuesday after having shoulder problems, was big for the Tigers. Detroit is four games behind the New York Yankees, who beat Toronto 9-2, in the AL wild-card race. The Tigers entered Tuesday six games behind first-place Cleveland in the AL Central.

The Rangers, who took an 11-0 lead in the first game, went up 1-0 on Byrd's sacrifice fly in the first inning of the nightcap, but Brandon McCarthy (5-9) couldn't survive the bottom of the inning.

Curtis Granderson started the inning with a walk, stole second and third and scored on Gary Sheffield's one-out RBI single. Sheffield's hit ended an 0-for-25 slump, his longest since an 0-for-29 skid in 2002.

After Sheffield stole second, Magglio Ordonez hit an RBI single and Ivan Rodriguez made it 3-0 with a two-out double, ending McCarthy's day.

The Tigers added a run in the second on an RBI single by Placido Polanco. Todd Jones pitched a perfect ninth for his 34th save in 39 chances.

Sheffield, Rodriguez and Polanco all sat out the first game, when Detroit couldn't build on Monday's dramatic four-run rally in the ninth to beat Toronto.

"Momentum doesn't matter if you don't pitch," Leyland said. "When the air is out of the balloon after three innings, it isn't good."

Rockies 8, Phillies 2

Fighting to stay in the playoff race, the Colorado Rockies got another major lift from a rookie.

Franklin Morales threw five

scoreless innings to earn his first major-league win and Matt Holliday hit two homers to lead Colorado to a victory over the Philadelphia Phillies on Tuesday night.

Troy Tulowitzki and Todd Helton hit solo home runs for the Rockies, who entered the day 3 1/2 games behind San Diego in the NL wild-card standings.

The Phillies came in trailing the Padres, who played at Los Angeles on Tuesday night, by 1 1/2 games. The Dodgers were 2 1/2 out in a jumbled playoff picture.

Morales (1-2) gave up three hits, walked one and struck out four in his fifth major league start. The hard-throwing left-hander had a 6.23 ERA before shutting down the league's highest-scoring offense.

"He's got a big arm and a passion to pitch," manager Clint Hurdle said of the 21-year-old. "He's a fierce competitor and loves to play the game."

Yankees 9, Blue Jays 2

At 20 games above .500 for the first time this season, New York Yankees manager Joe Torre is starting to feel comfortable talking about a playoff berth.

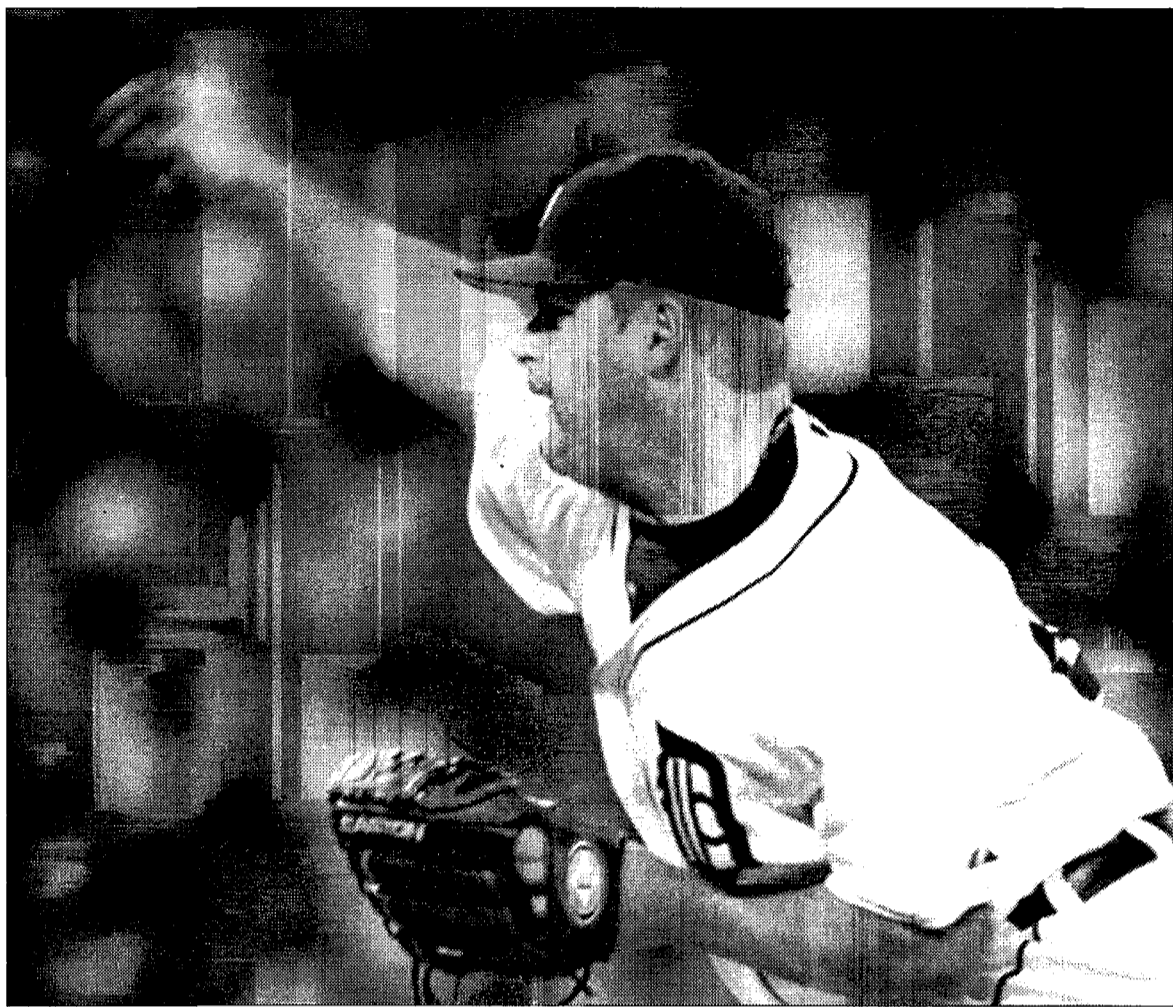
Jason Giambi hit a grand slam, Jorge Posada added a solo homer and the Yankees beat the Toronto Blue Jays 9-2 on Tuesday night for their sixth straight victory.

New York (82-62) has won 10 of its last 13 to move a season-high 20 games over .500. The Yankees are four games ahead of Detroit in the AL wild-card standings after the Tigers split a doubleheader with Texas on Tuesday.

"When you make 20, you have to be seriously considering playing in October," Torre said. "Right now we have our fate in our hands. If we go out there and keep winning ball games, we'll be fine."

Giambi, who was 2-for-27 over his past 10 games, went 1-for-3, walking and scoring in the second inning. The grand slam was his first of the season and 12th of his career. Doug Mientkiewicz replaced Giambi at first base in the seventh.

"That was a big one to get off



Tigers closer Todd Jones pitches against the Rangers in the ninth inning of Tuesday's doubleheader. Jones pitched a perfect ninth for his 34th save in 39 chances.

my back," Giambi said. "It was exciting. It came in a big situation and I got a big hit. With the bases loaded you know he doesn't want to walk in a run. He just left the fastball up and out over the plate enough where I could put the bat head to it."

New York has gone 61-33 since May 29, when a 3-2 loss to Toronto dropped the Yankees a season-worst eight games below .500 at 21-29.

"The way we started, I think it's a big accomplishment," Posada said. "We've been very good after the All-Star break. We've done a lot of things well. Our pitching staff really deserves a lot of credit for the things they've been doing lately."

Marlins 13, Nationals 8

The Florida Marlins swung the bats as if they were releasing their season-long frustrations.

Hanley Ramirez homered twice and Mike Jacobs drove in

five runs, powering the Marlins to a victory over the Washington Nationals on Tuesday night.

Jacobs and Cody Ross hit consecutive homers for the Marlins, who scored in seven innings and snapped a three-game skid. Jacobs has connected in three straight games.

Pinch-hitter Justin Maxwell had a grand slam — his first major league hit — for Washington.

Ramirez finished with four hits, while Jacobs, Dan Uggla, Josh Willingham and Miguel Cabrera each had three as the Marlins piled up a season-high 21.

"We joke how we can play some American League-style games and slug it out with people," Jacobs said.

Maxwell, who had been 0-for-2 in his big league career, highlighted a five-run fourth with his slam as the Nationals took a 7-5 lead. Maxwell was so enthused, he almost overran a teammate.

"When I hit first base, I was just trying to make sure I didn't pass Brian Schneider because he didn't know if it was going to get out," Maxwell said. "He was like, 'Get off me!'"

Both starters pitched poorly. Mike Bacsik gave up a leadoff homer to Ramirez and allowed five runs and eight hits in 2 2-3 innings.

Florida's Chris Seddon, making his first major league start, gave up seven runs and eight hits in three-plus innings.

"Our hitting really gave us a chance to win the game," Bacsik said. "Unfortunately I set the tone, and I couldn't really get anybody out consistently."

Uggla and Jeremy Hermida singled off Chris Schroder (2-2) to open the seventh, putting runners on first and third. Cabrera then greeted reliever Jonathan Albaladejo with a soft RBI single for a 9-8 lead.

After Willingham grounded into a forceout, Jacobs lined a two-run double.

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Major League Baseball

American League East

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Boston	87-58	.600	7-3	-
New York	81-62	.566	7-3	5
Toronto	72-71	.503	5-5	14
Baltimore	61-81	.430	3-7	24.5
Tampa Bay	61-83	.424	7-3	25.5

American League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Cleveland	84-60	.583	7-3	-
Detroit	79-67	.541	6-4	6
Minnesota	71-73	.493	4-6	13
Kansas City	62-81	.434	2-8	21.5
Chicago	61-83	.424	4-6	23

American League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Los Angeles	84-59	.587	5-5	-
Seattle	75-67	.528	2-8	8.5
Oakland	70-75	.483	4-6	15.0
Texas	69-75	.479	8-2	15.5

National League East

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
New York	82-61	.573	9-1	-
Philadelphia	76-67	.531	5-5	6
Atlanta	73-71	.507	4-6	9.5
Washington	65-79	.451	7-3	17.5
Florida	61-83	.424	3-7	21.5

National League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Milwaukee	74-70	.514	7-3	-
Chicago	73-70	.510	5-5	.5
St. Louis	69-73	.486	3-7	4
Cincinnati	65-79	.451	3-7	9
Pittsburgh	64-81	.441	5-5	10.5
Houston	62-81	.434	3-7	11.5

National League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Arizona	82-63	.566	7-3	-
San Diego	77-65	.542	4-6	3.5
Los Angeles	75-68	.524	5-5	6
Colorado	74-69	.517	6-4	7
San Francisco	65-79	.451	4-6	16.5

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3	Calvin	1-0 (4-1)
4	Tri-State	1-0 (3-6)
5	Alma	0-1 (4-5)
6	Olivet	0-1 (1-8)
7	Saint Mary's	0-2 (3-6)
8	Kalamazoo	0-2 (1-5)
9	Albion	0-2 (0-5)

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NFL



Neurosurgeon Andrew Cappuccino, left, and Buffalo Bills team doctor John Marzo address the media Monday about the status of Bills tight end Kevin Everett. Everett suffered a spinal cord injury Sunday against the Denver Broncos.

Everett moves, may someday walk

Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Kevin Everett voluntarily moved his arms and legs on Tuesday when partially awakened, prompting a neurosurgeon to say the Buffalo Bills' tight end would walk again — contrary to the grim prognosis given a day before.

"Based on our experience, the fact that he's moving so well, so early after such a catastrophic injury means he will walk again," said Dr. Barth Green, chairman of the department of neurology at the University of Miami school of medicine.

"It's totally spectacular, totally unexpected," Green told The Associated Press by telephone from Miami.

Green said he's been consulting with doctors in Buffalo since Everett sustained a life-threatening spinal cord injury Sunday after ducking his head while tackling the Denver Broncos' Domenik Hixon during the second-half kickoff of the Bills' season opener.

Everett dropped face-first to the ground after his helmet hit Hixon high on the left shoulder and side of the helmet.

Asked whether Everett will have a chance to fully recover, Green said: "It's

feasible, but it's not 100 percent predictable at this time. ... But it's feasible he could lead a normal life."

On Monday, Bills orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Andrew Cappuccino, said Everett likely wouldn't walk again.

"A best-case scenario is full recovery, but not likely," said Cappuccino, who operated on the reserve tight end. "I believe there will be some permanent neurologic deficit."

Cappuccino and officials at Millard Fillmore Gates Hospital did not immediately return several messages left with them by The AP.

In a report Tuesday evening, Buffalo's WIVB-

TV quoted Cappuccino as saying: "We may be witnessing a minor miracle."

Bills owner Ralph Wilson said the team has been in contact with Green and the Miami Project, the university's neurological center that specializes in spinal cord injuries and paralysis.

Everett's agent, Brian Overstreet, also said Everett's mother told him the player moved his arms and legs when awakened from a deeply sedated sleep.

"I don't know if I would call it a miracle. I would call it a spectacular example of what people can do," Green said.

IN BRIEF

Yankees, Mets commemorate 9/11 at games

NEW YORK — The New York Mets and Atlanta Braves paused before their game Tuesday night to mark the sixth anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks.

The Blue Jays and Yankees also paid tribute to police officers, firefighters and emergency workers from both cities in Toronto.

The Shea Stadium scoreboard was turned off as the Mets and Braves lined up along the baselines for a moment of silence. The sparse crowd also stood under an overcast, gray sky. "9/11 is something that we'll never forget," Mets manager Willie Randolph said before the ceremony. "It seems very fresh in all our minds, I guess."

In Toronto, U.S. Ambassador David Wilkins joined Capt. William Liley of the New York Fire Department and Chief Bill Stewart of the Toronto Fire Department on the mound as they threw out ceremonial first pitches.

Texas fan nearly castrated in fight with Sooner

OKLAHOMA CITY — To some Oklahoma football fans, there are things that just aren't done in the heart of Sooner Nation, and one of them is to walk into a bar wearing a Texas Longhorns T-shirt.

That's exactly what touched off a bloody skirmish that left a Texas-shirt-wearing fan nearly castrated and an Oklahoma fan facing aggravated assault charges that could put him in prison for up to five years.

The shocking case has set off a raging debate in this football-crazed region about the extreme passions behind a bitter rivalry. Some legal observers have even questioned whether this case could ever truly have an impartial jury.

"I've actually heard callers on talk radio say that this guy deserved what he got for wearing a Texas T-shirt into a bar in the middle of Sooner country," said Irven Box, an attorney in this city 20 miles from Oklahoma's campus in Norman.

Oden will have knee surgery before season begins

PORTLAND, Ore. — Trail Blazers center Greg Oden, the No. 1 pick in the NBA draft, will undergo exploratory arthroscopic surgery this week because of pain in his right knee.

An MRI taken last week showed the former Indiana Mr. Basketball may have some cartilage problems, general manager Kevin Pritchard said Monday.

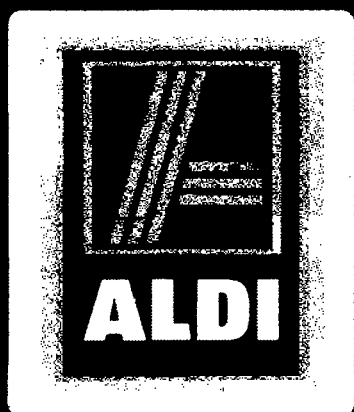
A timetable for Oden's return will be set following the surgery, which will take place Thursday in Vancouver, Wash. The Trail Blazers open training camp in three weeks, and the regular season starts Oct. 30.

This is Oden's second health problem since the Trail Blazers drafted him in June.

He had a tonsillectomy in July after struggling in two Las Vegas summer league games.



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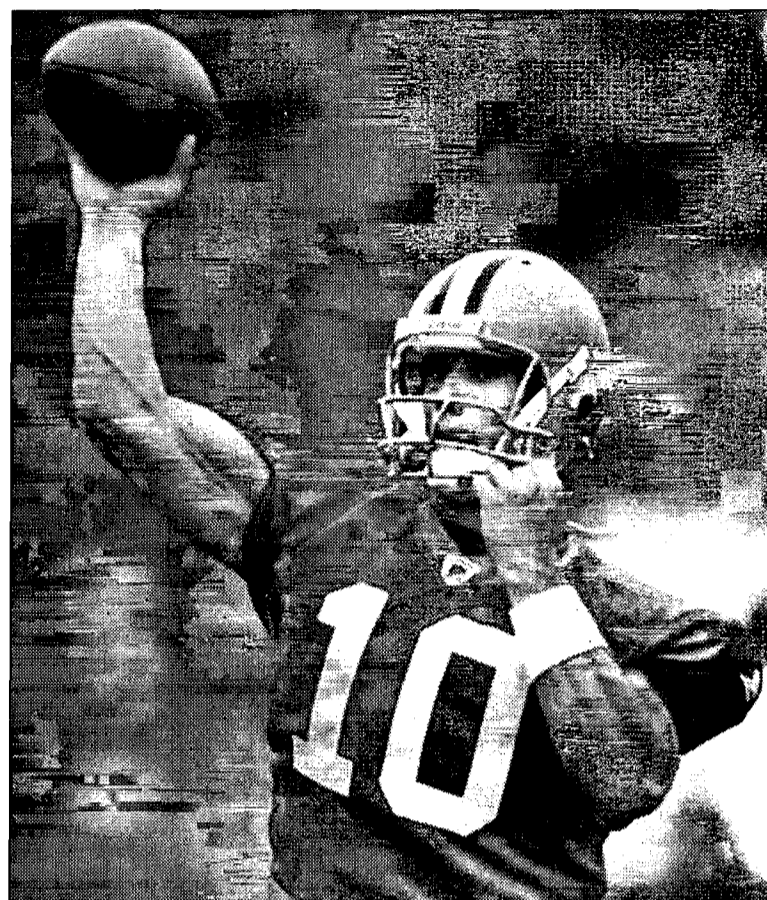
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NFL

Cleveland trades QB Frye to Seattle



Cleveland Browns quarterback Brady Quinn throws a pass at training camp. Quinn is now second on the Browns depth chart. AP

Browns name Quinn backup quarterback

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Charlie Frye went from starter to starting over, and Brady Quinn moved up a notch.

In two days, the Cleveland Browns' complicated, confusing and crowded quarterback carousel took a dizzying spin.

Frye, benched before halftime in Sunday's season opener, was traded to Seattle for a sixth-round draft pick Tuesday, a stunningly swift move that raises Quinn, the Browns' high-profile rookie QB, to No. 2 on the depth chart.

With Frye no longer in the picture, the Browns will start Derek Anderson, who lost the quarterback competition to Frye during the preseason, at home on Sunday against the Cincinnati Bengals.

Quinn, the heir apparent, will be Anderson's backup.

"This move obviously clarifies our quarterback situation," general manager Phil Savage said with a straight face. " ... Some people think we're doing some kind of experiment, but we're not. We're trying to win and unfortunately things got derailed Sunday before it even got started."

Cleveland's trade of Frye is unprecedented. According to the Elias Sports Bureau, he's the first quarterback since the NFL/AFL merger in 1970 to start his team's season opener and be traded before Week 2.

The Browns, embarrassed 34-7 by the Pittsburgh Steelers in their home opener, will go into Week 2 with three quarterbacks on their roster and only one of them, third-stringer Ken Dorsey, has won an NFL game.

The club signed Dorsey to a one-year contract Tuesday, 10 days after the Browns cut him. Dorsey will serve as a mentor to Quinn, who might have been the Browns' opening-week starter if he hadn't missed 11 days of train-

ing camp in a contract holdout.

Savage said starting Quinn has been discussed, and that the former Notre Dame star could soon be under center.

"I think there is a feeling that he's certainly closer to being ready to play," Savage said. "We want to be able to give him a full gamut of plays and give him a chance to have some success. I don't know if that happens in two weeks, four weeks, six weeks."

"The important thing in the big picture is that we develop Brady Quinn in the right way. That is the most important thing that we have to do this year and that's what we're trying to do this year. And, win."

Frye was dealt less than 48 hours after playing horribly and being pulled in the second quarter by coach Romeo Crennel. A former third-round pick who grew up rooting for the Browns in Willard, Ohio, Frye beat out Anderson during a drawn-out competition that began during the offseason and carried through the preseason.

Less than two weeks ago, Savage said, "Let's see what Charlie can do with a full deck" this season.

It took less than 20 minutes on Sunday for the club to decide Frye was no longer in their future plans.

He went 4-of-10 for 34 yards with an interception — a QB rating of 10.0 — and was sacked five times before Crennel yanked him. Savage was most troubled by Frye's inability to get rid of the ball.

"Sunday, we needed to see more production," Savage said, "and probably the most revealing thing of everything that happened Sunday was that in his 10 attempts (actually 15), he took five sacks and in Derek's 28 attempts (actually 29) he took one sack."

Savage praised Frye for the way he handled two-plus turbulent seasons with the Browns, who are just 40-89 since 1999.

"He came into a very tough situation," Savage said.

WOMEN'S WORLD CUP

With Wambach injured, USA ties North Korea

Associated Press

CHENGDU, China — Blood streaming from a gash on the top of her head, Abby Wambach came off the field. For 10 minutes, the United States played short-handed while she got stitches.

North Korea didn't waste its chance.

The United States allowed a pair of goals while Wambach was off the field — one on a blunder by goalkeeper Hope Solo — then rallied for a 2-2 tie Tuesday in its opener at the Women's World Cup.

"When they scored right away as I went off I started to get worried," Wambach said. "So I started to run to the locker room to get stitches put in."

The top-ranked Americans, trying to regain the title they won in 1991 in China and 1999 at home, extended their unbeaten streak to 47 games. But playing in the toughest of four groups, they put pressure on themselves heading into games against third-ranked Sweden on Friday and Nigeria next Tuesday.

"I think the U.S. is the best in the world, but today they didn't perform to their maximum," said Kim Kwang-min, coach of the fifth-ranked North Koreans.

Wambach, playing on a sore right toe she injured against Finland on Aug. 26, put the United States ahead in the 50th minute on a rainy night. She took a pass from captain Kristine Lilly on the right side of

the penalty area and beat Jon Myong-hui with a 13-yard shot that the goalkeeper got her gloves on but failed to stop.

Five minutes later, Wambach was defending a cross when she collided with North Korea's Rik Kum Suk. Wambach fell to the ground, blood pouring from the back of her head onto her face and jersey.

U.S. coach Greg Ryan decided not to replace Wambach, who has 78 goals in 97 games with the national team.

"It was a very tough call," he said. "The doctors said they could get her back within just a few minutes. Abby is such an important player to this team. I thought we could withstand playing 11 against 10."

In the 58th, Kil Son-hui hit a

twisting, long strike that slipped through the Solo's hands, tying the score. Kim Yong-ae then pounced on a rebound in the 62nd and shot it past Solo, who didn't have a chance.

When the crowd screamed again, Wambach knew North Korea had taken a 2-1 lead.

"I really had to hurry up the process," she said. "I was yelling at the doctors to get it done quicker. I cursed some bad words and hurried up and got my jersey on and ran as fast as I could."

Wambach re-entered the game two minutes later, and the United States tied it in the 69th when Heather O'Reilly scored her 12th goal — her first in the World Cup — taking a ball in the penalty area that couldn't

be cleared and putting it into the roof of the goal.

"I was just moving around in the box and the ball just seriously wound up on my feet," O'Reilly said. "I just tried to get something on it — to get it on frame. It didn't feel like it came off my foot very cleanly. I was surprised it was as nice a goal as it was."

Solo made two saves in injury time to protect the lead, first sprawling to her right to parry away a shot, then grabbing a drive without allowing a rebound.

"For the fans and soccer it was great," Lilly said. "People saw attacking soccer, they saw goals, the teams were combatting to the very end."

In other games, Sweden tied Nigeria 1-1 in Group B and Japan tied England 2-2 in Group A.

Despite its usual poise, the U.S. looked unnerved at times before a crowd of 35,100 at Chengdu Sports Center Stadium in southwestern China.

North Korea, with many of the players that won last year's Under-20 Women's World Cup, pressed the Americans. The North Koreans ganged up at midfield to attack and mixed long balls with quick triangular passes.

"I would say I have never defended as much," U.S. defender Cat Whitehill said. "They came at us flying, they came at us with a ton of numbers. I'm just glad we were able to stop them enough to get a tie."

Ryan tried to encourage Solo, who rebounded from the bad first goal with some excellent late play.

"A hundred times Hope is going to save that one shot, but this is the one time it goes through her hand. It's unlucky," Ryan said.

Said Solo: "It's a day in the life of a goalkeeper. The conditions are slick and it is wet out there, but it happens."

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Weis

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and wide receiver positions.

"Regular" is two backs, one tight end and two wide receivers," Weis said. "But I might call 'regular' and give a [jersey] number. So I might want a specific halfback or specific fullback or specific tight end or specific wide receiver."

As the offense gets more complex, Clausen will be able to rely on fifth-year senior center John Sullivan to help him make reads, Weis said. One thing Sullivan already does is identify the defense's middle linebacker so that the offensive linemen can figure out who to block.

Last season, senior quarterback Brady Quinn made the linebacker calls, but with such a young quarterback, Weis trusts center John Sullivan instead.

"All the quarterbacks would like for me to just have that in their hands and not have it in Sully's hands," Weis said. "But right now, I'll definitely go with the experienced guy with handling that assignment."

But Clausen is learning. He mimics Sullivan's calls — both for his own education and for the benefit of wide receivers and running backs that can't see the center.

"I think what happens is when Sully says who it is, then the wide receivers and everyone else needs to know who he's identifying," Weis said. "Because a lot of times, those guys outside can't see what he says."

Even if Clausen learns the offense perfectly, however, the Irish won't be able to move the ball until the offensive line improves. Notre Dame has given up 15 sacks and rushed

for -8 yards in two games.

Weis said competition for starting offensive line positions is still open, but that no back-up has shown enough in practice to unseat the starters.

"I spoke to a couple of the guys who were back ups last week and I said if they had done more in practice last week, they would have been in the game," Weis said. "And they were told the same thing going into this week."

Pass protection problems have especially hurt the production of fifth-year senior tight end John Carlson. Last season, Carlson caught 47 passes for 634 yards. This year, he has just four catches for 34 yards in the first two games because he's had to stay in to help the offensive line so often.

Weis said Tuesday that he might take away the safety blanket from the offensive line and try to get the ball to Carlson more this week.

"When you don't get any offensive production for two weeks in a row, there comes a time where you have to take off the gloves and we're getting close to that time," the coach said.

And while Weis makes Xs and Os changes trying to get production out of his offense, the players are chomping at the bit to show they aren't as bad as they've looked so far this season.

"If they aren't mad and embarrassed, then they're not competitors," he said. "I know I certainly am. I think any time you put as much time and effort, and you feel you're credible and things don't go too well, and you don't feel angry or embarrassed, then you're not very competitive."

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"Four years ago Don Greiwe, Brian Fallon and Mike Schmitt formed the Outside Irish Rugby Football Club," Harrington said. "Outside" became a fitting moniker in describing the team's detached status from the University.

"Last season we were completely self-coached and self-funded," Harrington said. "We had to pay for all of our travel. We were not allowed to recruit, advertise, or play matches on campus. Although we could practice on campus, we were not allowed to reserve fields to practice on so it was difficult to gain access to facilities."

Outside of the University's favor and recognition, the team nonetheless continued to build and work toward its eventual goal — earning club status.

"Year by year we gathered more players and improved as a team,"

Harrington said. "Two years ago when I was a sophomore, John Gallagher, the current vice president, and I put together a club constitution and with the help of Don Greiwe, Brian Fallon and David Seibel, put together an application to the administration to start up a rugby club at Notre Dame. This was an extremely long and difficult process."

However, Harrington and his fellow roughnecks have become more than used to getting back up after taking their fair share of hits in the rough and tumble world of rugby. In

"The bonds you make playing this game are never broken, and I encourage anyone who can to come out and watch us this season."

Jaime Urquijo
Irish flanker

the end, all of that hard work paid dividends, as the University reinstated the Notre Dame Rugby Football Club in May of last year.

"It was a lot of hard work that finally paid off," Harrington said.

Over the summer the team has gotten new jerseys, a new pitch and has become a member of the Chicago Area Rugby Football Union.

Even more important than University recognition is the right to wear the Notre Dame symbol on their sleeves.

"Last year we all had to play as the 'Outside Irish' as we were not recognized and so not allowed to represent the University," sophomore flanker Jaime Urquijo said. "From now on all Notre Dame ruggers will

have the very special privilege of bearing the ND monogram on our jerseys."

Senior prop Patrick Noble agreed.

"I started playing and learning rugby last spring semester," he said. "Coming from Texas, I grew up playing football and did-

n't have any exposure to rugby whatsoever. Then, this young Spanish chap with an English accent [Urquijo] convinced me to check it out."

"While some aspects of the game are similar to football, playing rugby is a completely unique sport. The techniques, rules, and plays are different from any other sport that I know or watch on TV. I like learning such a new thing — it's almost a cultural experience, learning a sport that the whole world plays. I also love to hit people."

Harrington, Noble and Urquijo all cited a common

love of "hitting people" as one of their primary reasons for playing the sport, despite a rash of injuries which have seen them land in the doctor's office nearly as often as on the turf. For his part, Harrington has broken his nose twice and dislocated his knee once, although he said "the injuries are not as bad as you might think."

Noble has split an eyebrow and sprained the AC joint of his shoulder. Urquijo has suffered a couple of career concussions on top of a broken arm and finger. He also has a bent rib at the moment, which he describes as a "most peculiar injury as it does not bother me, and the doctor has assured me that in that case we should not touch it."

Yet all of the bumps, bruises and broken bones have not deterred them from the pitch.

"Rugby, in my opinion, is every bloke's favorite game," Urquijo said. "They just don't know it yet. It's a rough contact sport, but at the same time requires a great deal of fitness and awareness of the game."

Having earned University recognition, the same thing continues to bind the team together as it has in years past: a common love of the game.

"On top of playing such an exhilarating and fast paced game, the friends and bonds which are formed over the game are priceless," Urquijo said. "Some of my best friends on this campus and back home were made on the rugby pitch. While you are on that pitch putting your body on the line to win, at the risk of sounding very cliché, the 14 other players on your team are like your brothers. The bonds you make playing this game are never broken, and I encourage anyone who can to come out and watch us this season."

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the No. 1 team in the nation. Calvin is also still ranked No. 6 in the Great Lakes Region of the NSCAA poll.

But four-time all-MIAA first team forwards Jill Capel and Sarah Weesies graduated from last year's undefeated squad, as did two-time

first team defender Tricia DeVries.

The two teams squared off twice in 2006, with Calvin emerging victorious both times. The first was a 6-1 blowout, but the Belles kept it close in the second game, falling 1-0.

In the second game the Belles did not manage to record a shot, while Calvin had 20. But in a year in which Calvin dominated most games it played, the Belles' effort was one of the more impressive.

With the change of guard taking place at Calvin and the roll the Belles have been on since the start of the 2007 season, Saint Mary's hopes this match will be much closer than either of last year's contests.

Kickoff is set for 4 p.m. Wednesday afternoon at the Saint Mary's soccer field.

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"The passers did a nice job of getting Amanda the ball, so that she had multiple choices in setting up the offense," Schroeder-Biek said. "Amanda did an outstanding job in those first two games."

Sophomore setter Liana Rohr

replaced David for the closing game.

"I really wanted to give Liana a chance to run the offense," Schroeder-Biek said. "Even though Liana sets all the time in practice, there is no better teacher than playing in a match. I really felt that Liana did a nice job tonight."

The Belles dominated the first two games, playing together and talking to each other on and off

the court.

The Comets hung close in the third game, but Saint Mary's scored four unanswered points to win the match, capped off by a game-point spike by freshman middle blocker Andrea Sasgen.

The Belles play another conference match versus Alma at 7 p.m. tomorrow evening.

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want to go."

Freshman So-Hyun Park performed well in her first collegiate tournament, taking second with her three-under par 213 (70-69-74).

Sophomore Annie Brophy finished in a tie for 27th and third on the squad with her six-over par 222 (75-74-73). Sophomore

Kristin Wetzel finished three strokes behind Brophy with a 225 (76-75-74), good enough for a 42nd-place tie.

Freshman Katie Conway rounded out the Irish lineup with her 231 (78-75-78), leaving her in a tie for 64th.

Notre Dame will return to the links Monday for a two-day tournament at the Napa River Grill Cardinal Cup in Louisville, Ky., taking place at the Cardinal Club.

If the victory at the Cougar Classic is an indicator for how the

season will go for the Irish, then the squad has a open horizon in front of it this year.

"I knew we were better than last year, but I couldn't be sure of how good we were until we competed," Holt told und.com. "We wanted to use this tournament as a measuring stick, and I sure like how we look right now. We had a good first day and we backed it up the rest of the way."

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RUGBY

Tackling the odds

Team regained club status after 12 years

By TAE ANDREWS
Sports Writer

Chris Harrington loves hitting people.

After growing up in London and learning how to play rugby, the senior Notre Dame Rugby Club captain and scrum half has been running roughshod over and through opponents for the past eight years. But tackling his biggest challenge has taken place off of the pitch — earning club status for his team.

The history of the Notre Dame Rugby Football Club is a long and colorful one, filled with nearly as many shenanigans as hard hits.

"Some of the old teams from back in the '80s and '90s had gotten into a lot of trouble with the University," Harrington said in an e-mail Sunday. "That led to an eventual ban of the team 12 years ago."

Knocked down but not out, the team began rebuilding in 2003.



Irish center Alex Duffy runs upfield with the ball during the Outside Irish Rugby Club's 31-12 win over Northwestern April 30. The Rugby Club gained official club status last May.

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FOOTBALL

Weis opens playbook for U of M

By CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Editor

Against Penn State, with a freshman quarterback in a hostile environment, Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis simplified his offense, cutting down on the number of plays available to be called.

But after the Irish offense mustered only 144 total yards and a paltry three points, Weis isn't going to take any more "baby steps" with quarterback Jimmy Clausen.

"He's getting more [offense installed]," Weis said. "And he's getting more within ... what I think he can tolerate. Obviously, we've gone through two games without much production on offense, so you can't sit back. You have to make some significant strides to try to get some production on offense."

One element of complexity that Weis wants to employ more against Michigan on Saturday is using multiple personnel groups, especially the deep running back

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Maunu shoots Notre Dame record 6-under par

By LORENZO REYES
Sports Writer

Notre Dame defeated No. 14 Tennessee by one stroke and beat out three other top-20 squads Tuesday to win the Cougar Classic, while shattering several team and individual records.

In what figured to be a record-setting week, the Irish were able

to overcome a three-stroke deficit after the second round to beat the Volunteers.

Notre Dame finished with a combined score of 870 (287-292-291), while Tennessee shot a three-round total of 871 (288-288-295). The field at the Yeaman Hall Golf Club in Hanahan, S.C., was comprised of four top-20 squads — making this victory even more impres-

sive.

Two separate program records were broken at the Cougar Classic.

In the first round of the invitational, junior Lisa Maunu shot the lowest round of golf ever in the program at six-under par. As a team, Notre Dame fired the lowest score over a three-round event with its six-over par (870) mark. The Irish shattered the

previous record by 29 strokes.

The victory was the 21st in program history, and the first time second-year coach Susan Holt has led her squad to a tournament title.

Maunu, due to her record-breaking first round, finished atop the field of 103 golfers, becoming the 11th golfer in the history of the program to win an individual tournament.

"Lisa played really, really well," Holt told und.com. "She was steady and hit the ball really well. I thought the entire team hit the ball well. It's exciting because the team set some high goals for this season, and it's a testament to them that they are playing up to them. The goals are attainable, and they can go as far as they

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SMC SOCCER

Belles host MIAA champs Calvin

By CHRIS DOYEN
Sports Writer

Coming off a hard-fought 3-1 loss at Hope Saturday, Saint Mary's returns home Wednesday to host Calvin.

Calvin had a near-perfect season last year, compiling a 22-0-1 regular season record, reaching the NCAA Division III quarterfinals, and finishing No. 5 in the final Division III coaches' poll. While they have lost three of their first five games, all three losses came against teams that are currently ranked in the top 25 nationally — Kenyon College, University of Chicago and Wheaton College —



Belles forward Justine Higgins kicks the ball upfield during Saint Mary's 1-0 win over Manchester Sept. 5.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Saint Mary's tops Comets in three

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's dominated its home opener against Olivet Tuesday night, winning 3-0 (30-17, 30-19, 30-27) to earn its first conference victory of the season.

The Belles (4-6, 1-2 MIAA) worked on teamwork all week, and coach Julie Schroeder-Biek feels they finally have come together.

"I felt that the team played very well together tonight. Our block was fantastic," Schroeder-Biek said. "We were very

aggressive along the net in both our blocking and our attacking."

The Belles attacked successfully and had eight out of their 10 players get at least one kill, totaling 51 kills for the Belles over the Comet's 34. Sophomore outside hitter Lorna Slupczynski led the attack with 15 kills, while junior middle blocker Cathy Kurczak contributed 11.

Those kills can also be contributed to senior setter Amanda David, who posted 26 assists in only two out of the three games.

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