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ELECTION 2008

Dome to Dome: ND alums re-elected to Congress

Five graduates — Donnelly, Visclosky, Souder, King, Lungren — hold onto House seats in Nov. 4 election

By JENN METZ
News Editor

Five Notre Dame graduates — two Democrats and three Republicans — were re-elected to the United States House of Representatives Tuesday.

Three of the nine House seats allotted to Indiana belong to Notre Dame graduates — Democrat Joe Donnelly won his second term representing the 2nd District, which is partly comprised of St. Joseph County

and includes the University of Notre Dame, Democrat Peter Visclosky won his 12th term in the 1st District, and Republican Mark Souder won his eighth term in the 3rd District.

Donnelly soundly defeated his opponent, Republican Luke Puckett, with 67 percent of the vote. He graduated from Notre Dame as an undergraduate in 1977 and from Notre Dame Law School in 1981.

Donnelly is widely known for his moderate stance within the Democratic Party. He is a pro-

life Democrat, and in an interview with The Observer after he secured re-election, said one of the Party's biggest tests during the upcoming administration will be to reconcile positions of the liberal and moderate members of Congressional leadership.

He told The Observer: "There are a large number of additional pro-life Democrats" in Congress. "We're going to pursue a very moderate policy moving the country forward."

A number of students worked

on the Donnelly re-election campaign, as reported in the Oct. 31 article titled "Indiana candidates prepare for election."

Senior Cindy Brenner, one of the students who worked for Donnelly's campaign, told The Observer in the article that she was drawn to the Congressman because of his moderate approach.

"He is a conservative Democrat, so he has the morals of a lot of the conservative areas [of Indiana]," she

told The Observer.

Visclosky, a 1973 Notre Dame Law School graduate, reclaimed his seat in Indiana's District 1 with 71 percent of the vote. He defeated his opponent, Republican Mark Leyva, who received 27 percent of the vote.

Souder, who earned his MBA from the University in 1974, won Indiana's District 3, which contains the city of Fort Wayne, with 55 percent of the

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Hunting for a good break

Three seniors and sophomore use alumni connections to organize a 'dream hunt' in the western United States



Photo Courtesy of BRYCE HUMMER

Hunting buddies Josh Miller, Daniel "D.J." McGill, Jeremy Miller and Bryce Hummer pose in Smoke Creek, Nevada.

By JOHN-PAUL WITT
News Writer

Most Notre Dame students had the chance to go home, participate in service, or catch up on sleep and studying during the break, but four students decided they needed a more "intense" break.

Seniors Bryce Hummer, Daniel "D.J." McGill, Josh Miller and sophomore Jeremy Miller came up with the idea of a "dream hunt" for this fall break, since it would be the seniors' last, Hummer said.

"We are all hunters. We hunt deer," Hummer said, "Three of us are from Indiana, D.J. is from Virginia. So this break we wanted to hunt out west."

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Photo Courtesy of BRYCE HUMMER

Josh Miller, Daniel "D.J." McGill, ND grad Bob LeGoy, Bryce Hummer and Jeremy Miller at the Winnemucca Ranch, north of Reno, Nevada.

Debate team competes to tourney semi-finals

By AMANDA GRAY
News Writer

Notre Dame's debate team made it to the semi-finals at a tournament recently, the furthest a varsity partner team has gone for two decades, Notre Dame senior Natassia Kwan said.

The team recently competed in the Motor City Classic Debate Tournament at Wayne State University, located in Detroit.

"The Motor City Classic Debate Tournament ... was very important because it was the Notre Dame Policy Debate

Team's first entrance into the debate community for this 2008-2009 academic year," Kwan said.

Team members include Kwan, junior Melissa Curvino, junior Michael Lucien, and freshman Sean O'Brien.

The competition was from Oct. 24 until Oct. 27.

The topic of debate this year is "reducing agricultural subsidies," Curvino said.

The team paired off, with Kwan and Curvino as one duo and Lucien and O'Brien the other.

"At this last tournament our

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Fans fly to Boston for Eagles game

Students hope long trek will result in a win for the Fighting Irish

By HONORA KENNEY
News Writer

This week, as both the football and hockey teams journey to Boston College for what promises to be two exciting encounters with the Eagles, many loyal Irish fans accompany them out east.

Senior Erin Kelly, who is from Lexington, Mass., said she'll be flying out for the games.

"It'll be worth it," she said. "I'm unbelievably

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HY PHAM/The Observer

Golden Tate runs the ball during last weekend's 36-33 loss to Pittsburgh.

INSIDE COLUMN

Election Apathy?

Notre Dame surprised me this election season.

The stereotype has long been that Notre Dame students are apathetic, unaware or just too restrained about politics. Students here just don't have that activist spirit that thrives on many college campuses — or so they say.

Aaron Steiner

News Writer

The Observer examined the perceived apathy among students in 2007, citing low levels of activism and only one demonstration against the war in Iraq on campus — sponsored by an outside group. ("Campus struggles with activism, apathy," Mar. 28, 2007)

Indeed, political party clubs on campus weren't — until this year — allowed to use funds to campaign for any particular candidate. Politics, at least by my impressions, was rarely discussed in the dining hall or dorms. It had been over 15 years — until this fall — that a presidential candidate visited campus, the last being Bill Clinton's visit in 1992.

By those signs, Notre Dame looks apathetic. But perhaps a different breed of activism and involvement is present at Notre Dame.

Professor George Lopez of the Notre Dame Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies told The Observer in March, 2007, that Notre Dame students are "more levelheaded" and "more judicious" when it comes to activism, political or otherwise.

My own impressions from this fall would seem to prove that point.

Students attended dozens of lectures and discussions about the election, on a variety of topics. At the events I attended, I witnessed intellectual debate that usually moved beyond the rhetoric that's rehashed for hours on end on cable television.

The College Libertarians got a presidential candidate to stop at Notre Dame, and while I wouldn't say that the event was heavily attended, Bob Barr's presence on campus at least brought more to the table in terms of discussion.

My classmates watched the debates, and discussed their implications in the dining halls or before class. Although the discussion usually centered on the funnier moments and the catch phrases ("maverick" or "Joe the Plumber," anyone?) that often were part of drinking games, that students could discuss the debates is testimony to their attentiveness to the events.

Student government moved to allow campus political groups to use funds to promote specific candidates.

The list continues: over 2,500 students voted in the mock election, many registered to vote with NDVotes '08, and students volunteered with local and national campaigns.

Notre Dame, perhaps that stereotype about political apathy needs re-evaluation.

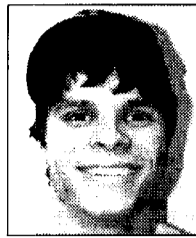
Sure, I didn't usually hear the loud and raucous discussion and activism that might be present on some college campuses. But instead, I witnessed more "levelheaded" and "judicious" discussion and activism that might just indicate a greater level of interest than some perceive.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Aaron Steiner at asteiner@nd.edu

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS THE MOST PRESSING CONCERN FOR BARACK OBAMA?



Brian Wysocki

sophomore Keenan

"Outlawing Cubs fans."



Peter Vignall

senior Keenan

"To knock down Stanford and build an auditorium for the Keenan Revue."



Kevin "Cube" Prawdzik

senior Fisher

"His ability to Barack n' Roll."



Tom Junker

senior Keenan

"Racialism."



TOM LA/The Observer

The Duncan Interhall Football special teams units attempt to block a field goal by Slegfried. The Interhall Football playoffs start this Sunday.

IN BRIEF

The Department of Music will be hosting **Bach's Lunch: A Noontime Concert** at 12:10 p.m. today at Debartolo Performing Arts Center. Admission is free, but tickets are required. Call the box office for reservations.

Notre Dame Symphony Orchestra will be having a **Fall Concert** tonight at 8 p.m. in Debartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets will be \$6 general public and \$3 for students.

Health and Recreation will be holding a **Skate Night** tonight from 9 to 11 p.m. at the Joyce Center. Admission will be \$3 and skate rental is \$2.

The play **"Loyal Daughters and Sons"** sponsored by the Gender Studies Program will take place tonight and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets will be sold at the LaFortune box office and are \$3 for students and \$5 for the public. The play addresses the diversity of approaches to sexuality and bringing awareness to sexual violence. It is written, directed, produced and performed by students.

St. Edward's Hall is hosting **"ND's Got Talent!"** Nov. 11 at 8 p.m. in Washington Hall. Auditions are Saturday, Nov. 8 at 2 p.m. in the St. Ed's Chapel (2nd floor). All talents are welcome. There are going to be first, second, and third place prizes and it's to support Holy Cross schools in Uganda. Any questions can contact Michael Eardley at meardley@nd.edu

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

OFFBEAT

Thieves caught in Hungary with 12 pigs in car

BUDAPEST — Two thieves were caught in southern Hungary with 12 pigs stuffed in their small van during a routine traffic check, Hungarian police said on Thursday.

Police stopped two men in a Renault Kangoo near the town of Szigetvar, about 220 km (137 miles) south of Budapest, as they attempted to drive off.

"The pigs weighed about 25-30 kg (55-66 lb) each -- they were really squashed into the car very tightly," a spokesman said.

Police said the pigs came

from a nearby farm, where 35 pigs have gone missing in recent days.

Pooh sketch makes \$50,000

LONDON — An original drawing of A.A. Milne's popular children's characters Winnie-the-Pooh, Tigger and Piglet fetched 31,200 pounds (\$50,000) at auction on Tuesday.

The amount, which includes a 20 percent buyer's premium, comfortably beat pre-sale expectations of up to 20,000 pounds, not including the premium.

The oval pencil sketch by

E.H. Shepard, one of children's literature's most famous illustrators, shows Pooh dipping his paw into a pot of honey while sitting at a table as Piglet and Tigger look on.

Auctioneer Bonhams said the successful telephone bidder was from Germany and bought the picture for his wife, a long-time Pooh fan.

On the same day, Sotheby's announced it was offering what it called the finest single collection of Shepard's original drawings for the Pooh books to be sold at auction.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	GAME DAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 57 LOW 35	HIGH 47 LOW 35	HIGH 43 LOW 32	HIGH 45 LOW 30	HIGH 50 LOW 35	HIGH 47 LOW 27

Atlanta 76 / 54 Boston 62 / 52 Chicago 54 / 44 Denver 52 / 19 Houston 79 / 65 Los Angeles 75 / 54 Minneapolis 46 / 41 New York 65 / 52 Philadelphia 70 / 52 Phoenix 78 / 51 Seattle 57 / 49 St. Louis 60 / 45 Tampa 82 / 62 Washington 69 / 53

Class Gift Campaign hosts 'Karaoke Idol'

By ALICIA SMITH
News Writer

Simon Cowell didn't stop by to provide commentary, but Saint Mary's provided its own judges at the Class Gift Campaign hosted "Karaoke Idol" Thursday.

The evening began with senior Laura Cronmiller and her dad singing "I Got You, Babe" by Sonny and Cher. Following that performance, sophomore Annie Molloy performed "Hit Me With Your Best Shot," by Pat Benatar.

The Residence Hall Association performed "Respect" by Aretha Franklin.

"Obviously you ladies have never met Aretha, know Aretha, or are from Aretha's generation," Saint Mary's Director of Women's Health Catherine DeCleene joked.

Afterwards, senior Mickey Gruscinski and her father performed "All Shook Up" by Elvis. Saint Mary's Vice President for Enrollment Management Dan Meyer praised the duo.

"You have raised the bar to a new standard," he said. "You have talent!"

The next group to perform was "The Dancing Queens," a group comprised of junior Rebecca Cousino and Cronmiller.

"I'm trying to understand the difference between creative

license and creativity," DeCleene said about their performance.

Finally, complete with a swimsuit, towel and a large pair of sunglasses, senior Emily Croft sang "Summertime," by New Kids on the Block.

"I had to take off points for the lack of tan," Meyer said. "It would have been better if you had been tan."

The winners of "Karaoke Idol" were officially Gruscinski and her father, but the duo chose to decline the prizes. The prizes were then awarded to Cronmiller and her dad. Molloy came in second place, and Rothschild and her father came in third.

The night was filled with laughter, and many students enjoyed the show. Junior Sarah Hartman attended the event.

"It was a lot of fun," she said. Karaoke Idol was held to draw awareness to the Class Gift Campaign, a group that takes charge of collecting funds for each class's senior gift.

"We really want to raise awareness to the fact that people are making a donation to the class gift campaign," said Heather Frey, the assistant director of the Annual Fund and the advisor for the Class Gift Campaign.

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Seniors celebrate fathers

Annual Saint Mary's event brings dads to campus for fun events

By MEGAN LONEY
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The Saint Mary's senior class honors a long-standing tradition this weekend by hosting Senior Dads' Weekend. About 400 daughters and their dads are expected to participate.

This weekend allows seniors to share their life at Saint Mary's with their dads, senior class council vice president Taryn Pabst said.

"I'm really excited for my dad to come visit and hang out with my friends and me," senior Dana Krilich said. "It'll be fun to show him what we do for entertainment while at school."

The father-daughter week-

end begins Friday with a beer garden and silent auction at Haggard College Center from 5 p.m. to 7. All of the proceeds from the silent auction will go to the class treasury.

"We decided that a beer garden would be a great way for the dads and daughters to mingle amongst themselves," Pabst said, "but decided to add in the silent auction, not only to raise money for our class, but to make the Beer Garden a little more fun."

The class has reserved bowling lanes from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday. The bowling seems to be one of the most popular activities with almost 200 father-daughter pairs signed up, Pabst said. After bowling, a tailgate party and

game watch at the College Football Hall of Fame is planned.

"I'm really looking forward to the game watch at the College Football Hall of Fame," Krilich said. "I've never been there and it will be more fun to be in a football atmosphere with other girls and their dads as well."

The weekend ends Sunday with a closing mass at the Church of Our Lady of Loretto.

Molly DiIorio and Molly Lamping are co-chairs of the Senior Dad's Weekend committee, a group formed at the beginning of the year to plan this weekend and choose the activities.

The seniors are not the only ones who are excited about this weekend.

"My dad is super excited," Krilich said. "He's been waiting for this for three years. He loves Saint Mary's and is going to have a blast hanging out with me and my friends."

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"I'm really excited for my dad to come visit and hang out with my friends and me. It'll be fun to show him what we do for entertainment while at school."

Dana Krilich
senior

Recycle The Observer.

The Siemens Competition in Math, Science and Technology is coming to Notre Dame!

The Siemens Competition takes great pleasure in inviting the students, faculty and staff of Notre Dame to the following events:

Reception and Viewing of the Students' Research Projects:
(refreshments will be served)

DATE: Friday, November 7, 2008

TIME: 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

LOCATION: Study Lounge & Reading Room, Jordan Hall of Science

Student Oral Presentations:

DATE: Saturday, November 8, 2008

TIME: 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

LOCATION: Sargent Auditorium, Room 105 Jordan Hall of Science

We look forward to seeing you!

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Congress

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vote. His opponent, Democrat Michael Montagano, received 40 percent.

Two Republican Notre Dame alums were re-elected to House seats representing New York and California.

Peter King, representing New York's 3rd District, was re-elected to his 10th term with 64 percent of the vote. He defeated Democrat Graham Long, who received 36 percent of the vote. King earned his law degree from Notre Dame in 1968.

Dan Lungren claimed his second term representing California's 3rd District by defeating Democrat Bill Durston. Lungren received 50 percent of the vote to Durston's 44 percent.

Lungren is a 1968 graduate of the University.

Representative Mike Ferguson, a Republican and Notre Dame graduate from New Jersey's 7th District did not seek re-election in 2008.

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Hunt

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The students decided not to go to a travel agency, or book a hunting tour. Their plan was to use the Notre Dame family.

The seniors sent a letter during the last winter break to alumni clubs in the western United States, explaining their plan to use the seniors' final fall break as a hunting trip, and heard back from the Alumni club of Reno and Northern Nevada president Courtney O'Mara, a 2002 graduate.

She put them in touch with Bob LeGoy, JD '76, who "cancelled his plans" to take the students hunting, Hummer said.

"[LeGoy] promised us a new experience — hunting in the desert mountains," Hummer said, "The first night, we went to the casinos, ended up sleeping for an hour, and then went on a three-day trip with five vehicles and hunting dogs, to a ranch north of Reno."

While the students were unable to obtain a big-game

license, they were allowed to hunt birds — specifically the Chukar Partridge.

Hummer called his experience "awesome," particularly the first day of hunting.

"We spread out 50 yards across the mountain and walked up. We all got birds the first day," Hummer said,

"We saw a antelope, deer, burros, horses and eagles. We had steak over the fire."

During the two days of camping and three of hunting, the students also made time to connect with local Notre Dame alumni. They visited Apartment 21, a Reno restaurant owned by Mike Malody, '93.

"We met [director of the Reno Alumni Club] Courtney O'Mara and a bunch of other Notre Dame people, and they were thanking me that we pulled this off," Hummer said, "We gave them a slide show

of the hunting and all the pictures, telling stories — it was networking but hanging out."

Hummer recommends networking while still enrolled at the University, since many alumni after graduation "want to meet more Notre Dame people." It was especially easy to "get a taste of how the Notre Dame network works" because the alumni they dealt with were excited to meet current Notre Dame students, Hummer said.

"We were worried about coming off as mooching, asking for handouts, but we believed that there's gotta be some alums out there that share our interests, and there were," Hummer said, "They were as happy about this as we were; we brought them 'camo' ND hats, they liked that."

The alumni Hummer met were impressed with the group's "bold" decision to make the trip.

"We spread out 50 yards across the mountain and walked up. We all got birds the first day. We saw antelope, deer, burros, horses and eagles. We had steak over the fire."

Bryce Hummer senior

"We made a lot of friends, and got a lot of advice, we were overwhelmed with how much fun it was," Hummer said, "We covered miles of hiking, sometimes almost rock climbing and hunting with the dogs."

The students, who call themselves the "Unofficial ND Hunting Club," cooked and ate the birds they shot while they were hunting, and the surplus meat, which is "like chicken but much better," is being shipped to them at Notre Dame, Hummer said.

The logistics of the trip were difficult at times, Hummer said, especially because he had a job interview in Milwaukee at the end of break.

"I had to carry a suit with my shotgun on this trip," Hummer said, "But I had a great story to tell the people in Milwaukee."

Despite the challenges, Hummer is glad he and his friends made the trip.

"Praise God we weren't stuck back in South Bend hanging out at Heshburgh Library," Hummer said.

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Game

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excited."

Kelly plans to attend both the hockey and football games.

"I'm really excited about [the Notre Dame vs. Boston College hockey game] because it's a rematch from last year and the way I grew up, hockey was way bigger than football so it's a different culture," she said.

She's nervous about the football match up.

"I don't know how well we'll do in light of our recent play,

but it should still be a decent matchup because BC isn't that great this year. Almost everyone I know from the Boston area here are going home for the game, and also their friends who have never been to Boston."

"Last week's loss doesn't really effect how I'm looking at the next game. If anything, I think that loss is really going to refocus the team, and we will come back even stronger this week."

Tyler Thiret freshman

If Boston College defeats the Irish in football, it will be their sixth straight win in this match-up. Both teams have a record of five wins to three losses, and both are currently unranked.

In spite of the football team's overtime loss to Pittsburgh last week-

end, freshman Tyler Thiret said he was positive the results would favor Notre Dame this weekend.

"Last week's loss doesn't really effect how I'm looking at the next game," Thiret said. "If anything, I think that loss is really going to refocus the team, and we will come back even stronger this week."

But the Irish fans are not going to abandon their school spirit just yet, which is made evident by the amount of people who have been seen around campus this week wearing the "Back-up College" shirts, which are scarlet and

gold and have an image of the Boston College eagle. The shirts embody the deep rivalry that the two schools have always shared because of their similarities.

"I think the shirts are really funny and very true for a lot of Notre Dame students," freshman Julia Sutton said. "Both schools are attractive to the demographic of students at Notre Dame because both are Catholic and academically challenging. But overall, Notre Dame is better."

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Debate

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varsity team of Lucien-O'Brien cleared into semi-finals, which is the farthest a varsity Notre Dame partner team has gone for about 2 decades," Kwan said.

They were beaten by Michigan State University, she said.

Curvino, the president of the Notre Dame Policy Debate

Team, said she and Kwan had a record of 2-4.

Curvino was also awarded a 5th place speaker award, out of the 16 junior varsity debaters.

Kwan and Curvino said preparation comes in the form of reading articles and books on the subject.

"To prepare for debates we have to write 'files' which are basically pieces of evidence compiled from various sources that we arrange into specific arguments to be used in a round," Curvino said.

They both like the challenge of the team, though.

"My favorite part of debate is the actual debating," Curvino said. "I like making structured arguments about different topics and having the evidence to support my claims right at my fingertips."

Kwan said she enjoys keeping up with current events.

"Debate also keeps you updated on current events and issues and teaches how to articulate arguments and responses to them," Kwan said.

"We are willing to teach anyone who wants to debate at any time," she said. "We have novice meetings every Wednesday night at 5 p.m. in the Blue Room on the 3rd floor of LaFortune where the coaches teach the fundamentals to people who are new to the activity."

The Notre Dame debate team is not a new addition to the campus.

Kwan said the debate team has been around since the 1880s, undergoing a reawaken-

ing in the past few years.

"The team was on a 30-year hiatus until three years ago when one of our coaches, Anthony Pesce, undertook a huge effort to revive the program," Curvino said. "Thanks to Anthony and the participation of many talented debaters, Notre Dame is making a comeback and is making great strides to improve the respectability of the program."

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Team commemorates famous Lincoln-Douglas debates

Parliamentary Debate group will mark 150th anniversary of face-off by considering Lincoln 'house divided' quote

By HONORA KENNEY
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The presidential debates between Sens. John McCain and Barack Obama are over and done, but this Sunday, the Notre Dame Parliamentary Debate Team will be commemorating a series of debates that are even farther in the past.

This year marks the 150th anniversary of the famous Lincoln-Douglas debates, the

face-off between Abraham Lincoln, a Republican and incumbent Stephen Douglas, a Democrat, for an Illinois seat in the United States Senate.

Notre Dame's Parliamentary Debate Team will be considering the famous proposition Lincoln gave during one of the 1858 debates, that "a house divided against itself cannot stand."

Using this quote and taking into consideration the implications it has for American citizens, the team will address sev-

eral of the most polarizing topics in contemporary American politics, focusing not only on the divisions present in public opinion on several issues, but also the history of these divisions.

Tim Fiora is the team's coach and a Third Year Law student at Notre Dame.

"The team has worked very hard on this event, and I hope that our presentation will serve to spark further discussion on the issues raised," he said.

The Notre Dame

Parliamentary Debate Team is composed of students from Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross and model their debates after the British Parliamentary system. The team's competitions have taken them all over the country, including to locations in Chicago, St. Louis, Phoenix, Denver, Portland, Los Angeles and San Diego.

"A lot of what we do in debate is very insular, just the same people competing against each

other every week," he said. "It's really a treat for the team to have the opportunity to speak in a public forum, as it provides both a fresh audience and the chance to showcase our activity to others who may be interested in giving it a try down the road."

The event will take place Sunday at 4 p.m. in room 138 DeBartolo at 4pm. All students are welcome to attend.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

British man charged with terrorism

British police charged a 43-year-old man Thursday with plotting an act of terrorism and having two improvised explosive devices, chemicals, timers, and a Nazi-themed handbook.

Neil Christopher Lewington was first arrested last week after police discovered a suspected explosive device when they searched him at a railway station in Lowestoft, a coastal city in eastern England.

He was originally charged with possessing an item to cause criminal damage and was released on bail Saturday. But he was immediately re-arrested by Scotland Yard.

Scotland Yard said in a statement that Lewington carried two improvised explosive devices to Lowestoft from Reading, a city near London where he lives, on Oct. 30. It said Lewington was being charged with making or having an explosive substance intended to "to endanger life, or cause serious injury to property in the U.K."

Pope urges religious freedom

Christians and Muslims must overcome their misunderstandings, Pope Benedict XVI told Muslim clergy and scholars Thursday as he pressed for greater freedom of worship for non-Muslims in the Islamic world.

His meeting in the Apostolic Palace with a delegation of scholars and other Muslim representatives capped a three-day conference in Rome involving Catholic clergy and professors and Islamic experts. Benedict told participants he had followed the "progress" of the talks closely.

The pope's baptism of a prominent Egyptian-born Muslim last Easter in St. Peter's Basilica upset some in the Muslim world. Benedict also angered Muslims with comments linking Islam to violence in a speech in 2006.

NATIONAL NEWS

Northern Plains hit by snow storm

RAPID CITY, S.D. — A wintry blast of punishing wind and more than 3 feet of snow in places pummeled the Northern Plains on Thursday, knocking out power to thousands and forcing highways to close.

As much as 40 inches of snow fell in higher elevations of western South Dakota's Black Hills as the early season blizzard caused havoc. Drifts as deep as 6 feet covered roads in Spearfish.

"It's a raging blizzard out there," said Jeff Schild, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service office in Rapid City.

Weather problems halted or disrupted traffic on Interstates 80, 90 and 94 in the Dakotas, Nebraska and Wyoming.

US has record immigration numbers

The U.S. government arrested and deported record numbers of illegal immigrants — nearly 350,000 — in the past year, authorities say.

It has also naturalized a record number of new Americans during the same time period, more than 1 million.

Bush administration officials consider these to be great accomplishments within a system that President-elect Obama calls "broken and overwhelmed" on his transition Web site.

"We are seeing the kinds of results that the country hasn't seen for many years," Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff said last month.

LOCAL NEWS

Fraternity disbanded due to death

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind. — Wabash College is disbanding a fraternity chapter after an 18-year-old freshman died of accidental alcohol poisoning at its house.

The college says it's withdrawing recognition of the Delta Tau Delta chapter and ending its lease. Wabash officials say an investigation found "a culture and practice of ungentlemanly behavior and irresponsible citizenship."

Delta Tau Delta executive vice president Jim Russell says the Indianapolis-based fraternity had hoped to work together with the school to resolve the matter.

ELECTION 2008

Emanuel accepts chief of staff offer

Rep. Emanuel to fill cabinet spot, shows shift in tone for Obama's temperament

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Barack Obama is signaling a shift in tactics and temperament as he moves from candidate to president-elect, picking sharp-elbowed Washington insiders for top posts.

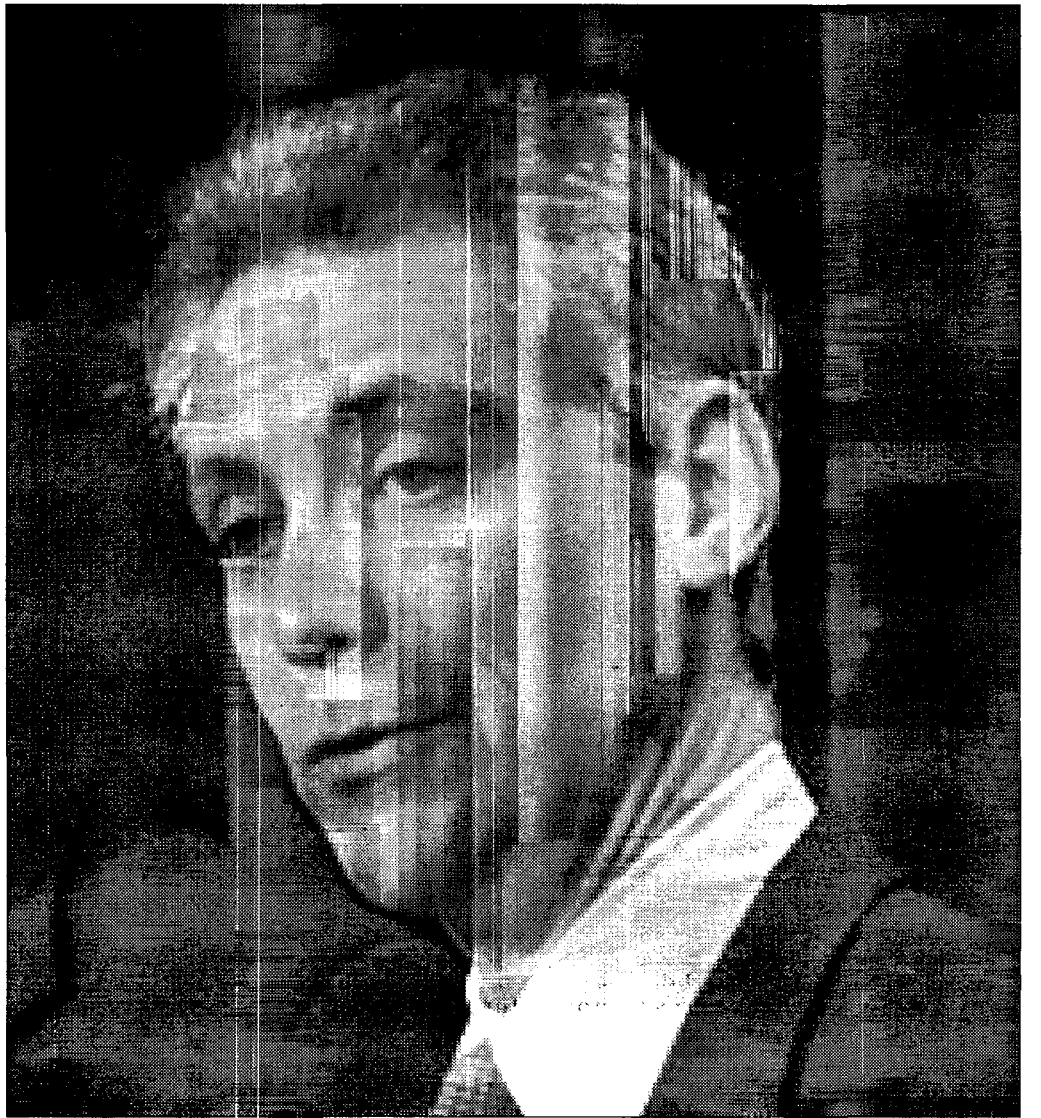
His choice Thursday for White House chief of staff — Rahm Emanuel, a fiery partisan who doesn't mind breaking glass and hurting feelings — is a significant departure from the soft-spoken, low-key aides that "No-Drama Obama" has surrounded himself with during his campaign. And transition chief John Podesta, like Emanuel, is a former top aide to Bill Clinton and a tough partisan infighter, though less bombastic than the new chief of staff.

The selections are telling for Obama, who campaigned as a nontraditional, almost "post-partisan" newcomer. People close to him say the selections show that Obama is aware of his weaknesses as well as his strengths and knows what he needs to be successful as he shifts from campaigning to governing.

"No one I know is better at getting things done than Rahm Emanuel," Obama said in a statement announcing the selection.

Obama, who survived a long contest with Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton for the Democratic presidential nomination, also has made it clear he will rely heavily on veterans of her husband's eight-year administration, the only Democratic presidency in the past 28 years. Podesta was President Clinton's chief of staff, and several other former Clinton aides are on Obama's short lists for key jobs, Democratic officials say. Some of them helped write a large briefing book on how to govern, assembled under Podesta's supervision.

Obama himself brims with self-confidence, to the point



Rep. Rahm Emanuel, D-Ill., speaks with reporters on March 29, 2007. Emanuel was chosen by President-elect Barack Obama as his chief of staff.

that some people view him as arrogant. But to a greater degree than many presidents, he appears willing to lean on Washington insiders associated with other politicians.

Still, he is also certain to bring to the White House a cadre of longtime aides.

Emanuel accepted Obama's offer with a gesture of bipartisanship, addressing part of his statement to Republicans. "We often disagree, but I respect their motives," Emanuel said. "Now is a time for unity, and, Mr. President-elect, I will do everything in my power to help you stitch together the frayed fabric of

our politics, and help summon Americans of both parties to unite in common purpose."

That would come as news to some Republicans.

In contrast to Obama's collegial style and that of his top campaign advisers, Emanuel is known as a foul-mouthed practitioner of brass-knuckled politics who relishes both conflict and publicity. He once mailed a dead fish to a political foe.

But he also earned a reputation for pragmatic efficiency, whether the goal was winning House elections for Democrats or working with Republicans to enact Clinton's centrist

political agenda.

"Rahm knows Capitol Hill and has great political skills," said Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C. "He can be a tough partisan but also understands the need to work together."

House Republican leader John Boehner of Ohio was less kind. He called his appointment an "ironic choice for a president-elect who has promised to change Washington, make politics more civil and govern from the center."

Democrats say Obama is self-assured enough to acknowledge his limitations by the appointments he makes.

ISRAEL

Israeli peace treaty passed to Obama

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — The Bush administration has conceded that an Israeli-Palestinian peace deal is no longer possible by the end of its term and is preparing to hand the fragile, unfinished U.S.-backed peace effort to President-elect Obama.

Obama may not want it, at least as designed by the Republican Bush administration, seen as slow to embrace the role of honest Mideast broker. Many of Obama's foreign policy advisers were players in the Clinton

administration's extensive Mideast peace efforts and are unenthusiastic about President Bush's hands-off approach.

After months of publicly insisting that an agreement still could be sealed by the year-end deadline set by the two sides and Bush last November in Annapolis, Md., U.S. officials said Thursday for the first time it would have to wait.

"We do not think it is likely it will happen before the end of the year," White House spokeswoman Dana Perino said in Washington after

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice acknowledged as much at the start of a Mideast trip.

Bush has employed Rice as a goad and monitor, but not a central negotiator. The administration said that to be viable, any deal should come from the Israelis and Palestinians themselves. Rice's eighth visit to the region since the Annapolis peace conference had been intended as a push for urgent progress on the modest gains from a year of U.S.-sponsored talks between Israel and one part of the fractured Palestinian leadership.

Former FBI agent convicted of murder

Associated Press

MIAMI — When law enforcement heat got too close to Boston's notorious Winter Hill Gang, it was FBI agent John Connolly who tipped them off. After all, they were his prized underworld informants, the men who made him an FBI star by secretly supplying information about rival Mafia chieftains.

Mob leaders James "Whitey" Bulger and Stephen "The Rifleman" Flemmi paid Connolly handsomely, some \$235,000 until his 1990 retirement. They even took vacations together. If a turncoat or "rat" surfaced in the gang and Connolly found out, that person might not live much longer.

One such murder victim was gambling executive John Callahan, 45, shot dead by a hit man in 1982, his body stuffed into the trunk of his Cadillac at Miami International Airport.

More than two decades later, a Miami jury on Thursday convicted Connolly of second-degree murder even though he was hundreds of miles away in Boston when the slaying occurred. Prosecutors said jurors clearly understood that Connolly's tips to the mobsters often led to a violent death.

"He knew what he was doing each and every time he gave out information," said prosecutor Michael Von Zamft.

Jurors deliberated about 13 hours over three days before delivering the verdict following a two-month trial. The jury acquitted Connolly of first-degree murder conspiracy, but he still faces a maximum of life in prison when sentenced Dec. 4.

Connolly, who showed no emotion when the verdict was read, long denied involvement in Callahan's killing. Connolly was convicted in 2002 of racketeering because of his corrupt relationship with Bulger and Flemmi, including a 1995 tip that enabled Bulger to escape arrest and begin a life on the run that continues to this day. Bulger is one of the FBI's "Ten Most Wanted" fugitives, with a \$2 million bounty for his capture.

"Unless we catch Whitey Bulger, this marks the end of what is really a sad chapter for federal law enforcement," said Fred Wyshak, an assistant U.S. attorney from Boston who helped prosecute the Florida case. "It's been a long haul."

The story that unfolded in a Miami courtroom spanned more than two decades of Boston's underworld, a tale that has already spawned several books and was the basis for the 2006 Martin Scorsese film "The Departed." Matt Damon played a crooked Connolly-like law enforcement officer and Jack Nicholson was the Bulger-esque Irish-American mobster.

Connolly attorney Manuel Casabielle said there will be an appeal based in part on Miami-

Dade Circuit Judge Stanford Blake's decision to allow jurors to hear evidence of corruption not directly related to the Miami slaying.

"What happened here is that we tried a federal (racketeering) case in a state court," Casabielle said. "What they tried to do is dirty him up, to bring in as much bad stuff as possible."

Jurors declined comment after leaving court. They were instructed by the judge that Connolly — who was hundreds of miles away in Boston at the time — did not have to pull the trigger himself or even be present at the crime scene to be convicted in Callahan's killing.

Connolly is already serving a 10-year federal prison sentence in the corruption case.

He was indicted in 2005 in Miami for the killing of Callahan, the former president of World Jai-Alai.

Confessed mob hit man John Martorano testified that he shot Callahan — at one time a good friend — based on Connolly's warning that the gangsters would probably

all go to prison if Callahan talked to the FBI about an Oklahoma businessman's killing a year earlier.

A cornerstone of Connolly's defense was that his job as a top FBI organized crime-buster meant dealing with unsavory characters — "top-echelon informants" in FBI parlance — who possessed sensitive information leading to the takedown of top Mafia kingpins in Boston.

But Flemmi, Martorano and other mob figures testified that Connolly made sure the gang was shielded from prosecution for numerous crimes, even multiple murders, and supplied information about possible turncoats or "rats" in their own ranks that needed elimination. Prosecutors said at least two other men who were FBI informants died violently because of Connolly's leaks.

"John Connolly swore an oath to the FBI and the United States of America," Von Zamft said. "He gave up that public trust because he decided he would rather be a gangster than an FBI agent."

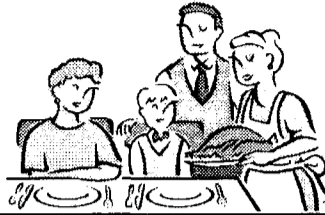
Callahan was killed, according to testimony, because Connolly told them the FBI was about to apply pressure on Callahan to give up information about the 1981 killing of World Jai-Alai owner Roger Wheeler in the parking lot of a callahan club in Tulsa, Okla. Callahan had wanted Wheeler dead so he could retake control of World Jai-Alai for the gang.

Flemmi is serving a life prison sentence and admitted to 10 murders. Martorano cut a deal with prosecutors by agreeing to testify against Connolly, and spent 12 years in prison after admitting to 20 murders, including the killings of Wheeler and Callahan. Martorano is now a free man.

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AMEX	1,388.85	-63.69	
NASDAQ	1,608.70	-72.94	
NYSE	5,667.40	-344.77	
S&P 500	904.88	-47.89	
NIKKEI (Tokyo)	8,399.49	-499.65	
FTSE 100 (London)	4,272.41	-258.32	

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
SPDR S&P 500 (SPY)	-5.54	-5.33	90.86
POWERSHARES (QQQQ)	-4.47	-1.43	30.56
FINANCIAL SEL SPDR (XLF)	-6.87	-1.03	13.96
ISHARES MSCI E.M.I.F. (EEM)	-5.04	-1.21	22.79

Treasuries			
10-YEAR NOTE	+0.35	+0.013	3.707
13-WEEK BILL	-17.11	-0.060	0.310
30-YEAR BOND	+1.11	+0.046	4.200
5-YEAR NOTE	-1.00	-0.025	2.487

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LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl.)		-4.53	60.77
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EURO	0.7866
CANADIAN DOLLAR	1.1986
BRITISH POUND	0.6402

IN BRIEF

Outlook grim after bleak October

NEW YORK — Retailers suffered through the weakest October in at least 39 years, despite frenzied price cutting as they desperately try to pull in consumers who are too worried about their finances to shop.

The sales tallies from major retailers on Thursday — many showing declines of 10 percent or more — suggests that shoppers will remain skittish through the holiday season, buying presents for children but not much else.

"There was every reason for consumers not to shop," said Walter Loeb, a New York-based retail consultant. "Layoffs are rising, the stock market is tumbling. Consumers are feeling poorer."

One of the few bright spots was Wal-Mart Stores Inc., whose results show how much frugal consumers are focusing on necessities. The world's largest retailer also said it will cut prices on items from toys to laptops over the next seven weeks. Department store J.C. Penney Co. is also offering extended hours and markdowns of up to 60 percent this weekend.

The stunning and rare drop in sales last month, following an already weak September, showed the toll the financial crisis is taking on all shoppers, from teens to the affluent, and analysts expect no recovery until at least the second half of 2009.

Productivity slows in third quarter

WASHINGTON — The efficiency of U.S. workers slowed sharply in the summer as a huge pull back by American consumers threw the national economy into reverse.

The Labor Department reported Thursday that productivity — the amount an employee produces for every hour on the job — rose at an annual pace of 1.1 percent in the July-to-September quarter, down from a 3.6 percent growth rate in the second quarter.

With productivity growth slowing, labor costs picked up. Unit labor costs — a measure of how much companies pay workers for every unit of output they produce — increased at a 3.6 percent pace in the third quarter, compared with a 0.1 percent rate of decline in the prior period.

Wall Street plunges for second day

Prompted by waning consumer demand and weak October sales reports

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street plunged for a second day, triggered by computer gear maker Cisco Systems warning of slumping demand and retailers reporting weak sales for October. Concerns about widespread economic weakness sent the major stock indexes down more than 4 percent Thursday, including the Dow Jones industrial average, which tumbled more than 440 points.

Major indexes have lost about 10 percent since Barack Obama was elected president — a vote preceded by a steep rally — and the losses represent the Dow's worst two-day percentage decline since the October 1987 crash.

Paper losses during that time in U.S. stocks came to \$1.2 trillion, according to the Dow Jones Wilshire 5000 Composite Index, which represents nearly all stocks traded in America.

Comments from Cisco that it saw a steep drop in orders in October and reports from retailers that consumers are skipping trips to the mall provided fresh evidence of the economy's struggles. Worries about automakers and the financial sector compounded investors' unease.

A day ahead of Friday's key October employment report, a widely watched barometer of the economy's health, the Labor Department said the number of people continuing to draw unemployment benefits jumped to a 25-year high. The increase by 122,000 to 3.84 million in late October marked the highest level since late February 1983, when the economy was being buffeted by a protracted recession.

"The economy is in a pretty significant downturn and I think that is broad-based because it is all



Specialist Ronald York, Jr., works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on Thursday, November 6, 2008. The stock market plunged for the second day in a row.

interconnected," said Ed Hyland, global investment specialist at J.P. Morgan's Private Bank. "This is something that we haven't really seen, this level of this rapid and significant pullback both in the market and the economy."

Thursday's rout follows a drop of more than 5 percent in the market Wednesday that saw the Dow plunge nearly 500 points as investors fretted that weak readings on employment and downcast profit forecasts and job cuts from financial companies to steelmakers signaled broad economic

troubles.

Still, the market's two-day slide follows an enormous run-up since last week so some pullback was expected, analysts said. Through the six sessions that ended Tuesday, the benchmark Standard & Poor's 500 index surged 18.3 percent.

Richard Campagna, chief investment officer at Provident Investment Counsel in Pasadena, Calif., contends the market's pullback isn't surprising given the size of the recent run-up, which gave the Dow its best run in 34 years last week. He said

the weak economic readings aren't a surprise because of the freeze in credit markets that has disrupted lending and other economic activity since the mid-September bankruptcy of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc.

Campagna said the light volume and overall fear among investors is exacerbating the market's volatility.

"Some people are pushing this market around more than they should be out of fear," he said. "Many everyday investors are sitting on the sidelines."

Chicago cashes in on Obama's victory

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Chicago's tourism Web site beckons visitors to "experience the city the Obamas enjoy." The Illinois Bureau of Tourism plans to launch a three-day getaway promotion featuring Barack Obama sites. And tour guides at the Old State Capitol in Springfield may get new scripts to stress two important speeches the president-elect made as a candidate.

It's all part of Illinois tourism officials' rush to capitalize on the Obama buzz.

A security perimeter surrounds the Obamas' block in Chicago's Hyde Park neighborhood, but tourism office volunteer Catherine Williams still tries to get visitors on walking tours as close to the family home as the Secret

Service will allow.

"They want to see the house, and, hopefully, they might get a glimpse of him," Williams said Thursday. "He's almost like a rock star."

Nearby, a restaurant has sold 3,000 T-shirts that read "Obama Eats Here," and a hand-lettered sign in the window of 57th Street Books congratulates "longtime customer" Obama, who has shopped there since 1986.

"They ask, 'What does the senator like to read?'" Jack Cella, of the cooperative that runs the bookstore, said of touring customers. "They buy copies of his book and say they wanted to buy it in the bookstore he shops in."

A household name outside Illinois for just a few years, Obama appears to be quickly edging out Michael Jordan, Oprah Winfrey or Al Capone

for title of "most famous Chicagoan."

That's become particularly true for international visitors, said Laura Baginski, features editor for the weekly entertainment magazine Time Out Chicago, which has published a self-guided tour that includes the University of Chicago Law School, where Obama taught, and the Hyde Park Hair Salon & Barber Shop.

"I don't know if we're quite prepared for the attention we're going to get," Baginski said. "I think people are interested in seeing where he eats, seeing where he gets his hair cut."

Travel agencies from around the globe have been phoning for information, and the Chicago Convention and Tourism Bureau is in the thick of an Obama-focused Internet marketing campaign, said Mark Theis, agency's executive vice president.

Gay marriage ban causes protest

Legal experts believe new law will lead to uncertainty and political

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Hundreds of protesters took to the streets Thursday over California's new ban on gay marriage, amid deepening political turmoil and legal confusion over who should have the right to wed.

Legal experts said it is unclear whether an attempt by gay-rights activists to overturn the prohibition has any chance of success, and whether the 18,000 same-sex marriages performed in California over the past four months are in any danger.

California voters Tuesday approved a constitutional amendment disallowing gay marriage. The measure, which won 52 percent approval, overrides a California Supreme Court ruling last May that briefly gave same-sex couples the right to wed.

On Thursday, about 1,000 gay-marriage supporters demonstrated outside a Mormon temple in the Westwood section of Los Angeles. Sign-waving demonstrators spilled onto Santa Monica Boulevard, bringing afternoon traffic to a halt. The

temple was targeted because the Mormon church strongly supported the ban on gay marriage.

"I'm disappointed in the Californians who voted for this," said F. Damion Barela, 43, a Studio City resident who married his husband nearly five months ago. He noted that nearly 70 percent of black voters and a slight majority of Hispanic voters voted for the ban.

"To them I say, 'Shame on you because you should know what this feels like,'" he said.

Some spectators cheered from apartment balconies; one person threw eggs at the marchers. Two people were arrested after a confrontation between the crowd and an occupant of a pickup truck that showed a banner supporting the amendment.

On Wednesday night, police in Los Angeles arrested seven people as more than 1,000 protesters blocked traffic in West Hollywood. One man was wrestled to the ground by police after he jumped up and down on the roof of a squad car. Another man was clubbed by police. Hundreds of protesters also gathered on the steps

of San Francisco's City Hall, some holding candles and carrying signs that read, "We all deserve the freedom to marry."

Gay-marriage proponents filed three court challenges Wednesday against the new ban. The lawsuits raise a rare legal argument: that the ballot measure was actually a dramatic revision of the California Constitution rather than a simple amendment. A constitutional revision must first pass the Legislature before going to the voters.

"Where do you draw the line between 'revision' and 'an amendment' when those are words in conversation we would use interchangeably?" asked Erwin Chemerinsky, dean of the University of California, Irvine law school. "It's a highly technical legal question in a highly charged political atmosphere."

Andrew Pugno, attorney for the coalition of religious and social conservative groups that sponsored the amendment, called the lawsuits "frivolous and regrettable."

"It is time that the opponents of traditional marriage respect the voters' decision," he said.

SAUDI ARABIA

Hunger strike held in hope of reform

Associated Press

RIYADH — A group of Saudi activists began a rare public hunger strike Thursday to demand judiciary reform and draw attention to the detention without trial of 11 political reformists.

The 65 mostly male protesters plan to continue the strike they are holding in their homes on Friday. Their action in a country that bans public gatherings, protests and political parties could land them in jail.

Mohammad al-Qahtani, one of 13 activists who called for the protest, said the group resorted to the strike after the government failed to respond to letters sent to influential officials asking them to release the reformists, improve prison conditions and reform the legal system.

"We used all legal means to make our voice heard but we were ignored," said al-Qahtani, a college professor. "That's why we don't fear any government retribution."

The jailed reformists include Matrook al-Faleh, a human rights activist who was detained in May for advocating constitutional reform, and 10 other activists jailed in Jiddah in 2007.

The 13 men posted a statement on the social networking site Facebook to announce the strike and urge other Saudis to participate. Fifty-two people have so far signed up to join the 13 activists. They include writers, lawyers and college students.

Al-Qahtani said the participants chose to stay at home because "we don't want a confrontation with security forces."

"Freedom of expression and the freedom to gather are both banned," he said. "We don't want to have problems with security forces that would not lead to any results."

Al-Qahtani said there was no government reaction so far to their call. Government officials could not be reached Thursday, the start of the weekend in Saudi Arabia.

Employees at Ford, GM concerned over expected cuts

Automakers announce billions in losses during the worst economic crisis in decades, decrease in product development

Associated Press

DETROIT — With their employers poised to announce billions more in losses and further job cuts on Friday, it's worry time once again at General Motors Corp. and Ford Motor Co. factories across North America.

Both companies are spending billions more than they're making amid the worst economic crisis in decades.

Both say that factory production needs to reflect declining sales, which means job cuts.

According to Ford's top sales analyst and two people briefed on GM's plans, neither automaker is planning to announce factory closures, although they are likely to cut production by eliminating shifts, banning overtime or temporarily shutting down plants. The people did not want to be identified because GM's plans are confidential.

GM also is expected to slow its product development schedule, delaying some models and engines at least for a short time.

Both automakers, though, are expected to report huge losses when they release third-quarter results on Friday morning, a day

after their CEOs traveled to Washington to make the case for federal aid for the industry.

"I haven't heard nothing specific, but we are worried," said James Kendall, president of UAW Local 23, which represents workers at GM's parts-stamping factory in Indianapolis. "Absolutely, we're worried. Who knows what's going to happen?"

Kendall's concerns were echoed at Ford and GM factories elsewhere as workers braced for cuts and waited to learn if the government will toss their companies a lifeline.

Industry analysts say Ford and GM likely are spending around \$1 billion a month above their revenue. With credit markets frozen and their credit ratings cut to junk, both have had difficulty borrowing more money, raising the prospect that they could run short of cash.

Barclays Capital analyst Brian Johnson on Thursday estimated that GM burned through \$4.2 billion of cash in the third quarter and will end 2008 with \$15.9 billion.

With no sales improvement expected next year and without government aid, Johnson

expects GM's cash balance to fall to \$5 billion next year, "below the company's \$14 billion minimum working cash needs."

Johnson estimated that Ford burned \$2.3 billion of cash last quarter and will end 2008 with \$20.1 billion, but unlike GM, it will get through 2009 without reaching the minimum required to run the company. With no sales improvement next year, Johnson expects Ford's cash balance to remain above the \$10 billion minimum, he wrote in a note to investors.

GM sales were down 45 percent in October and 20 percent through the first nine months of the year, according to Autodata Corp., while Ford sales were off 30 percent last month and 19 percent through October. Overall, October U.S. sales were down 32 percent, and October's seasonally adjusted annual sales rate was the worst in 25 years.

Automakers blame tight credit markets and shaken consumer confidence.

George Pipas, Ford's top sales analyst, said the company already has cut a lot of truck and sport utility vehicle production and will announce cuts at some

car and crossover plants on Friday.

"I'm not going to worry about things I can't control, but definitely I'm concerned," said Jeff Carter, vice president of a UAW local that represents 4,200 workers at a Ford truck, car and stamping complex in Wayne, near Detroit. "If the banking industry doesn't loan the customers money, there will be nobody to sell products to no matter what you've got to offer."

Ford shed 3,000 workers with another round of buyout and early retirement offers to factory workers mainly in Ohio and Michigan. The offers expired last week, but more cuts may be needed.

Ford's top manufacturing executive told union officials in September that Ford has 4,200 more blue collar workers than it needs.

With the new cuts, Ford has shed around 41,000 hourly workers since 2006, mainly through early retirement and buyout offers. With the new cuts the company will have about 42,000 hourly workers in the U.S.

GM, which also has undergone

a dramatic reduction of its factory work force with buyouts and early retirement offers, had about 125,000 U.S. hourly employees in 2003 and expects that to be 62,500 by the end of this year.

Workers at GM's parts stamping factories are particularly concerned. CEO Rick Wagoner said last month that the company will have to make more reductions at stamping operations. The company earlier this year announced the closure of four pickup truck and SUV plants, but has yet to fully make corresponding cuts in engine, transmission and stamping operations.

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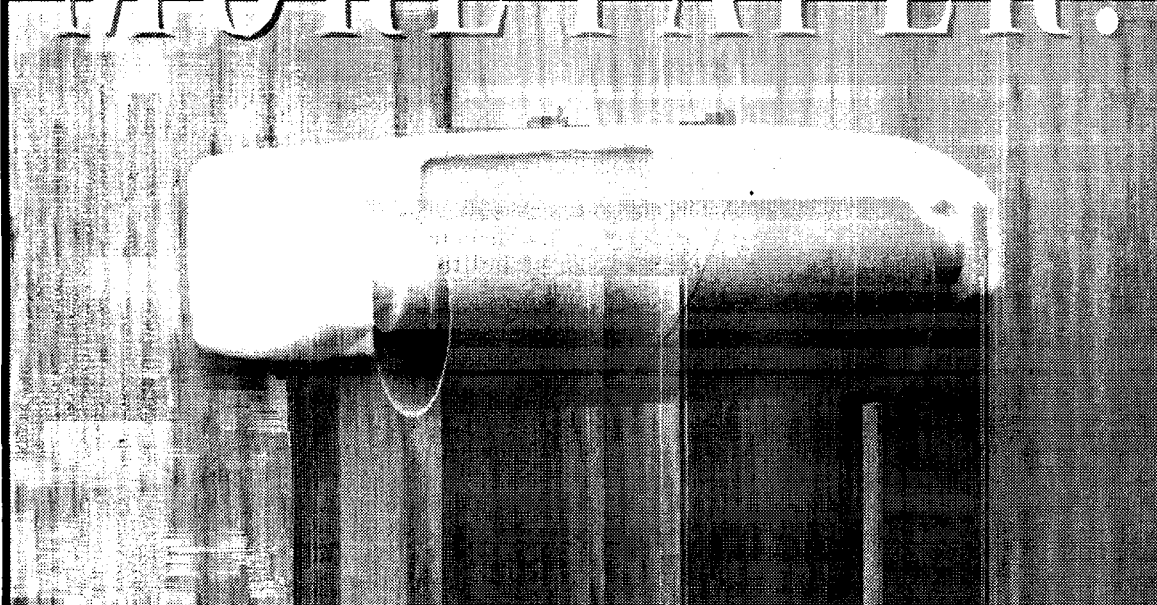
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AFGHANISTAN

U.S. needs tribes as battlefield allies

Associated Press

BAGRAM AIR BASE — Afghan tribes are needed as crucial battlefield allies against the Taliban and other extremists in the same way local militias rose up to oppose insurgents in Iraq, the new military overseer of America's two wars said Thursday.

The tactic has long been endorsed by Gen. David Petraeus — the former top U.S. commander in Iraq whose outreach to Sunni sheiks helped oust al-Qaida-inspired militants from key areas and sharply decreased attacks.

But his latest comments — on his first trip to Afghanistan since taking charge of U.S. Central Command last week — appeared aimed at pressing the Afghan leadership to recognize the need for tribal militia allies at a time when violence in Afghanistan is at its highest levels since 2001.

It also reflects Washington's expected shift in military focus from Iraq to Afghanistan and the neighboring tribal areas in Pakistan, which President-elect Barack Obama has described as the main showdown against the resurgent al-Qaida, Taliban and other militants.

"This is a country in which support of the tribes, of the local communities, for the overall effort is essential," Petraeus told The Associated Press at the massive Bagram Air Base north of Kabul. He added that Afghanistan has not had "a tradition of central government extending into the far reaches of its provinces and its districts."

Petraeus declined to discuss details of efforts — spearheaded publicly by President Hamid Karzai's government — to bring Afghan militiamen into the battle alongside Afghan forces, U.S. soldiers and other NATO-led troops.

Yet Afghanistan poses even more potential complications than the so-called Awakening Council movement in Iraq.

More than 150 major tribes range across the eastern and southern border lands with Pakistan — where the majority of the extremist attacks occur — and any military alliances with selected groups risk stirring rivalries and internal power struggles in regions outside central government control.

The tribes in the areas are almost exclusively Pashtun, the majority group in Afghanistan. Perceptions of special favors to already powerful Pashtun tribes — including pay and possible weapons supplies — could bring backlash from other ethnic groups with their own militiamen and warlords that clashed in brutal civil wars in the 1990s.

In Iraq, the equation was different: the Awakening groups came mostly from the minority Sunnis who lost their privileged status with Saddam Hussein's fall. Now, the Shiite-led Iraqi government is under pressure from Washington to incorporate the militias into the security forces.

The Pentagon did not provide weapons directly to Awakening allies in Iraq. But Petraeus left open the possibility that Karzai

could offer arms in exchange for tribal alliances.

"We will certainly support what President Karzai decides to adopt," said Petraeus. "We traditionally have not armed tribes ... But again, we have to see how that evolves here and see what kinds of initiatives and structures might be looked at."

Antonio Giustozzi, an Afghanistan expert at the London School of Economics, said the tribal groups are needed to cover the shortage of regular forces for the entire country: 67,000 Afghan soldiers, about 78,000 police and more than 60,000 U.S. and other foreign troops.

But he questioned whether the tribal chiefs would have the will to fight the Taliban as it strengthens and rebuilds its network in the border regions.

"The assumption is that there are many community leaders who are anxious to fight the Taliban, although I suspect that may no longer be the case in most areas," said Giustozzi. "In the end, I believe it will boil down to bribing people into joining militias. How military effective these are going to be remains to be seen."

Across the border in Pakistan, the government in Islamabad has already started arming tribal militias for roles as front line forces against al-Qaida and Taliban safe havens.

And — like in Iraq — the payback from extremists can be deadly. Dozens of government-allied tribesmen have been killed in recent attacks in Pakistan.

The message is clear to any Afghan tribal leader weighing offers to join Kabul's fight. A senior foreign diplomat in Kabul, who has long experience in tribal relations, said there is a risk the effort could backfire if tribes are seen as battling on behalf of foreign troops.

The diplomat spoke on condition of anonymity because he did not want to speak publicly on internal Afghan affairs.

Gen. David McKiernan, the top U.S. general in Afghanistan, said in a recent interview with the AP that he is "absolutely ready" to reach out to tribes as an auxiliary force. He noted, however, that any deals would have to be in "connection with the Afghan government."

In Afghanistan, U.S. and other foreign troops use local militiamen for security at some bases. But the efforts so far have concentrated on training the country's fledgling security forces.

In the interview, Petraeus said the war in Afghanistan is closely intertwined with the fight in Pakistan, and they need to be tackled together.

But escalating U.S. missile strikes in Pakistan's tribal region — at least 17 since late summer — have strained Islamabad's ties with Washington despite some apparent successes against extremists.

Petraeus said recent U.S. missiles have killed three of the top 20 extremist leaders in Pakistan's border zone. He did not identify the leaders killed, but described the attacks as "hugely important."

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Congratulations

Congratulations, America. Shortly after 11 p.m. on Nov. 4, you decisively elected a new president.

This man, whose belief that anything is possible for those who are so blessed to live in this nation, took our country by storm, and changed it forever.

By electing Barack Hussein Obama to its highest office, America has proven that a nation founded on the ideals of equal opportunity can, and truly does, exist.

This is a different America than it was just three days ago. An era of great change is upon us.

Supporters of both parties understood that need for change — the voter turnout for this election might be the highest in a century. The excitement and anticipation surrounding the end to the Bush administration has electrified America, awakening it from a slumber of political apathy, and transforming it into a nation of action.

Students of Notre Dame:

Your dedication to this election, your expression of your beliefs and your involvement shows that as a University, we can be passionate about more things than just football.

The voice of the youth of America was heard loud and clear, regardless of what side of the political spectrum you stand.

We were on CNN Election Night, Notre Dame. St. Joseph County was one of the most coveted counties to win in Indiana. Together, we debunked the misconceptions that our University sits in a bubble in the middle of the country. We are politically informed. We came out in unprecedented numbers to fulfill our civic duty. We let our next president know the issues that matter to us most.

Our generation will most strongly feel the effects of the new administration's efforts to pull our nation back together, to fix our economy and to bring us home from war.

In this time of a momentous cultural shift for America, we must remember that the ties that unite us must be

stronger than the lines that divide us in order for this nation to overcome the immense problems we face.

Obama called upon Americans Nov. 4 to "join in the work of the remaking of this nation the only way it's been done in America for 221 years — block by block, brick by brick, calloused hand by calloused hand."

Sen. John McCain's gracious concession speech and Obama's humble victory speech both addressed the fact that though we may disagree on politics, that though we may identify with red or blue, we are a people that must come together to enact the change so desperately needed.

"I urge all Americans," McCain said. "I urge all Americans who supported me to join me in not just congratulating him, but offering our next president our good will and earnest effort to find ways to come together, to find the necessary compromises, to bridge our differences, and help restore our prosperity, defend our security in a dangerous world, and leave our children and grandchildren a stronger, better country than we inherited."

Both men identified themselves as Americans — not as Democrats, not as Republicans, but as Americans, a title they called the citizens of this nation, who were divided over this historic contest, to embrace.

The hope for a better America rests on our shoulders. Remember the effect your opinions, your ideas, your action had on this nation this week, remember you can make difference.

No one can deny the seismic difficulties that still lie ahead.

As Obama told the hundreds of thousands with him in Chicago, and the millions watching around the world, we face the challenges of "two wars, a planet in peril, the worst financial crisis in a century."

But, for now, congratulations, America, and congratulations Notre Dame.

You made your voices heard and you have become a part of history.

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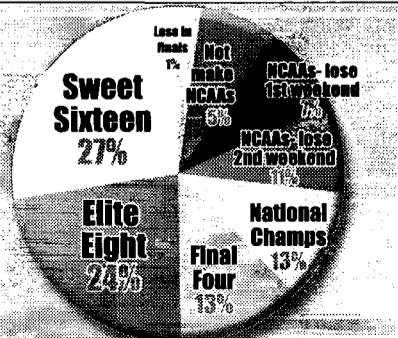
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Observer Poll

How far will the ND men's basketball team go?

	Votes	Percentage
Sweet Sixteen	302	27%
Elite Eight	271	24%
Final Four appearance	147	13%
National Champions	147	13%
Lose on 2nd weekend at NAAs	128	11%
Lose on 1st weekend at NAAs	77	7%
Not make NCAA tournament	56	5%
Lose in finals	12	1%



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Any fool can criticize, condemn and complain — and most fools do."

Dale Carnegie
American self-help guru

Halloween's over, but ...

That doesn't mean we're safe. There is a potentially (un)deadly crisis for which, despite our readiness for every other conceivable emergency, we have not yet prepared.

The crisis of zombies. Yes, zombies. As in the flesh-eating undead, not the mis-spelled drunk streaking kind.

We'd all like to think we'll never have to face an uprising. Some of us say we can't even be sure if zombies exist.

Then again, according to others, we couldn't be sure about unicorns, either. So what if?

Just to be on the safe side, let's run through our campus zombie outbreak survival plan. We'll call this system the Five Be's.

1. Be Calm. If you've read any reports of local zombie activity before now, then you may already be somewhat prepared to face it yourself. Those of us who always skip to The Observer crossword, however, may be taken aback when everyone's phone goes off in the middle of philosophy.

Don't lose your head when you read your text message. Don't lose your head when you discover the nature of the emergency. And don't lose your head when your TA wants to eat your brain.

Take a breath. After the alarm, you'll probably find

Katherine Khorey

Both Sides Now

out more details about the hungry undead as you gripe around the DeBartolo lobby with a few equally disgruntled friends. You'll look out the window and see someone you may know shuffle menacingly past, sans left arm. And I mean shuffle.

Again, don't lose your head. These next few days, you're going to need your brain.

2. Be Brave. Find your courage. Breathe deeply. Say a prayer. Kiss that hottie from Econ. Crack a joke, however weak ("Hey, who moved that statue of Torso Guy from outside O'Shag?"), and make someone else try to smile. You'll both feel better.

Or think of that one thing that really, really terrifies you. Like Furbies. Or quesadaters. Or Torso Guy. Ask yourself if, in comparison, zombies are really so bad. My roommate would be quick to tell you that she'd rather tolerate zombies than spiders, though you can't kill a zombie with your copy of The Red Queen. Maybe if Matt Ridley had cited enough concrete evidence...

Anyway, deal with the outbreak just as you'd deal with your Chemistry midterm. Don't be overwhelmed. Just focus on living through it.

Because unless you're some breed of copy editor who can live indefinitely off day-old donuts in the South Dining Hall basement, you will have to take steps to defend yourself and Our Lady.

3. Be Ready.

You won't know how long the outbreak will last. Bolting out of O'Shag may not be an immediate option. You may be stuck with a Theology professor who holds it as an article of faith that his class is at least as vital to your salvation, and as obligatory, as Mass.

But you will have to leave at some point: the chicken fries in Waddick's just won't hold out forever.

Be prepared to fight when you step outside. Arm yourself. You don't have to violate DuLac: to quote Ludo, "anything can be a weapon if you're holding it right." If you don't have access to an appropriate piece of sporting equipment (after all, I've never seen a non-plastic cricket bat in the United States), then put your Calculus textbook or Norton Anthology to good use. Tie the book up in a jacket or pillowcase, and take a few practice swings before going outside. Remember to aim for the head.

4. Be Smart. Or, better put, be "special."

Remember what you're doing at Notre Dame, and do it to the best of your ability. Design and build barricades for the stairs (zombies won't know how to use the elevator). Or better yet, design and build a trebuchet. Ration and distribute food. Sing Vespers. Put together attractive living spaces. Take your Russian or Chinese or Arabic and check up on the other side of the world. Practice whatever skill you've been honing for the past

however many years. As for those of us without practical skills...well, we'll read Paradise Lost aloud to everyone in the evenings after the cable goes out.

But for this system to work, everyone must participate with the right attitude.

5. Be Nice. Or, be "human." Be generous and helpful to those in need. If you have five unopened jars of peanut butter sitting around, run one up to those Classics enthusiasts camping out on the eleventh floor of Hesburgh or those film majors huddled in the DPAC basement, where the vending machines only take exact change. If you live on the second floor or above, let a refugee from the ground floor crash on your futon (unless she appears unable to use the elevator). Have patience with everyone who's stuck with you.

In short, keep your Catholic character, or its functional equivalent, as intact as you can. We can have faith that the outbreak will pass.

But in the meantime, keep an eye on Torso Guy.

Katherine Khorey, a junior studying English and Russian abroad in Dublin, submitted this column before the election was resolved. She trusts, however, in both candidates' zombie survival policies.

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The election in perspective

Obi-Wan: "I have something here for you. Your father wanted you to have this when you were old enough, but Obama wouldn't allow it. He feared you might follow the old Maverick on some damn fool idealistic crusade like your father did."

Luke: "What is it?"

Obi-Wan: "Your father's income. This is the weapon of a capitalist, not as clumsy or random as welfare; an elegant weapon for a more civilized age. For over a thousand generations, the Republican Party was the guardian of peace and justice in the Old Republic. Before the dark times ... before Obama."

Chris Schiraldi
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Zach Reuvers
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Nov. 6

Now what?

So, the greatest and most highly anticipated election in our nation's storied history is finally over.

Finally.

So, now what? Well, with all the post-election celebrating, post-election meltdowns and post-election analyses ranging from CNN to the most uneducated poli-sci major at your friendly local state school, we definitely have our hands full until Barack Obama does take his seat on the throne. However, rather than spending our minutes engaging in wild amounts of saturnalia, I suggest an alternative path: living.

What were you doing before the election? Probably preparing to watch, discuss, and mull over every detail of it with your friends, family, and anyone who would listen to you babble. (If you did not do this, congratulations, you are in a far better place, I'm sure.) However, for you election die-hards, here's a suggestion ... Go about your daily lives. Celebrate, or if you lost, be disheartened. But here's the thing — Senator Obama, as he must be known until Jan. 20, is most likely not going to change the course of history during his next four years in office.

But, with all faith and luck, hopefully every student at our hallowed University will make the local community and the world at large a better place in that short time period. Whether you will go to a foreign country and spend months try to improve the lives of persons without daily necessities, or you invent something that revolutionizes a particular industry, or if you recycle and visit a homeless shelter in your local community, anything is better than doing nothing.

So I implore and encourage you, students of Our Lady, to go out there and be the change that you want to see. Yes, change has come to our politics, and we must all support one leader. But we cannot stop there, for more change is coming, in the form of you and me. This is the day, and you are the future.

Tony Piskurich
senior
off-campus
Nov. 6

Lessons from a beloved sister

Growing up with a younger sister with intellectual disabilities has taught me a lot of things, how to love someone when the world tells you she's not worth loving and what it means to be a human being, for example.

But life with Olivia has also exposed me to one of the greatest remaining barriers of ignorance and hatred left in our society: our treatment of people with intellectual disabilities. The discrimination and disdain that those with disabilities are met with is as hurtful and hateful as any discrimination. While we intoxicate ourselves with visions of acceptance and equality this week, we turn a blind eye to the world's most marginalized population: the 156 million with intellectual disabilities. Here and abroad, they are held like criminals in institutions, shunned from society and dehumanized. In the U.S., they are the victims of a silent genocide; nearly 90 percent of American fetuses with Down syndrome are aborted.

Equally startling is our inability to recognize our own hatred, to diagnose our archaic social stigmas. As a Catholic university, we should strive towards the realization and respect for all people's dignity and value. We should be leading the way in this movement for humanity.

But two events this week set us back. First, the movie Tropic Thunder will be presented by the SUB this weekend. This movie was met with controversy when it was released for

its prolific use of the word "retard." Dozens of organizations, including Special Olympics and Best Buddies, picketed the film, calling its depiction of people with intellectual disabilities hateful and backwards. And having witnessed the pain that the word causes my sister and those like her, I agree. It is hate speech, on par with any racial epithet. I call all of you to think of my sister and her wisdom before you submit to Hollywood's depiction of those with intellectual disabilities as "retards" worth nothing more than a cheap laugh.

I thought that the hate speech was limited to a poor choice in SUB movies, but yesterday's Observer proved me wrong. I am all for freedom of the press; I am not for the publishing of hate speech, none of us are. If Barack Obama was described as the n-word in this newspaper or Sarah Palin as the c-word, anarchy would ensue. But the description of Joe Biden as "a retard" was printed without a problem. Hate speech is hate speech no matter who its victims are and has no place in our newspaper.

I encourage all of you to think before you use the word "retard" in any context, jocular or hateful. Think of Olivia. Happy Birthday Olivia, I love you.

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By MICHELLE FORDICE
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Upon first listen, Eli Young Band's "Jet Black and Jealous" mostly fades away into the background. A few phrases and chords will jump out of the solid country-rock sound, but a true appreciation of Eli Young Band takes paying attention. Details are the heart of their music. And with those details, you'll be hooked and singing along.

"Jet Black and Jealous" is the band's first studio release, preceded only by their independent release "Level." In the

vein of superstars like Rascal Flatts and Carrie Underwood, the album captures the new trend in country music that lends itself to a more pop oriented sound. Eli Young Band is rock with a cowboy hat. There are the usual references to cars, bonfires and the girls that left them, but these clichés are supported by electric guitars, a little bit grittier sound, and a less straightforward approach to the lyrics.

The album opens with the band's strongest song, "When it Rains." Set to a good swing, coming from its electric guitar and vocals, the song delivers its melancholy message of, "I don't mind being lonely/I will cry right along with the sky," beautifully.

"When it Rains" may be the standout song of the album; it has the most potential to fill the role of body moving radio song. As an appropriate choice for lead track, it will stick in people's heads and lead them to the rest of "Jet Black and Jealous."

Any fan of the Wallflowers will feel a sense of déjà vu when

"Always the Love Songs" begins playing, as it opens with the introduction to the rock band's "6th Avenue Heartache." The ballad epitomizes Eli Young Band's mix of country and rock. It is a story of a bunch of friends getting away from "the city lights" around a bonfire, listening to an eclectic mix of country, rock and folk with, "'Ramblin' Man,' 'Proud Mary,' and 'American Band.'" "Throw and Go" roughens up the band's sound and speed, making it a good song for tapping on the steering wheel to as you drive down the road. "How Should I Know" plays with restraint, holding back on the song's energy and building up in the refrain. The lyrics to "Home" keep the listener on their toes. The phrase "...home is where you are," sounds like a generic country appeal to a girl, but the rest of the lyrics reveal that the singer

really is appealing to home and all the people and memories there.

Too many of the tracks feel like they sacrifice uniqueness for appeal, resulting in a few songs that hover just above the lowest common denominator. "Famous" is a little unexciting, and sounds familiar, like you've it somewhere before and can't put your finger on it. "Guinevere" leaps out musically and there are occasional interesting lyrics, but it needs more of an edge. The rest of the album falls away similarly — good, but not great.

"Jet Black and Jealous" will be just good enough to prove Eli Young Band commercially and lead them to a second album. It is here we might see something really remarkable, when they are less constrained. But "Jet Black and Jealous" certainly deserves a spot on your iPod in its own right.

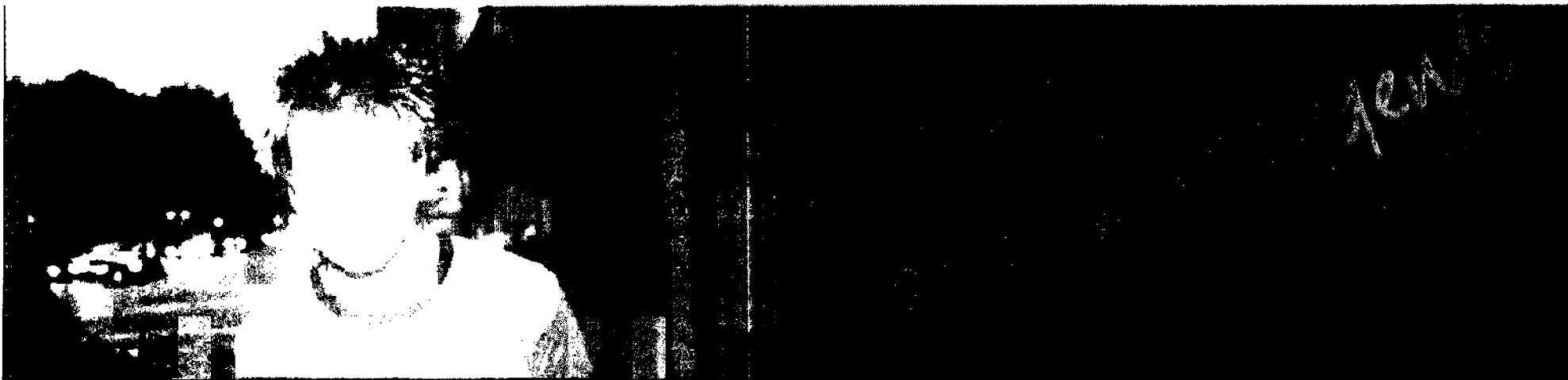
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Jet Black and Jealous

Eli Young Band

Released by: Universal South

Recommended Tracks: "When it Rains," "Jet Black and Jealous"



By JORDAN GAMBLE
Scene Writer

Howie Day, singer of the hit "Collide," comes to Legends nightclub this Friday at 10 pm.

The 27-year-old Maine native has been playing music since he was five, when his mom got him a piano. After that, he discovered guitar and played in bands in high school before going heading out on his own, independent of a major label, to tour and promote his self-released debut CD, "Australia," which he released in 2000.

After getting signed by Epic Records in

2002, Day released the album "Stop All the World Now," which was a slow-burning success in part because of the ubiquitous success of "Collide" in late 2004 and 2005, a year where it appeared on numerous television shows and was featured prominently in trailers for the film adaption of "Pride and Prejudice" starring Keira Knightley.

Day also gained popularity with "She Says," which became a fan favorite while he was touring for "Australia" and was re-released on "Stop."

Day is known for his aggressive touring since the days when he was self-financing and was performing relentlessly in Boston and beyond. He's toured

as the opening act for Tori Amos and Sting, but lately has been on the flip side of that, like this weekend when he'll come to Legends with Cleveland-native Nick Zuber opening. Zuber, like Day, has found success largely through self-promotion.

Day is also known for his in-concert use of samplers and foot-pedals to accompany himself instead of playing against a backing track. His energetic performance style and the continued popularity of songs off "Stop" has kept his venues packed despite the gap between albums.

News of Day all but disappeared in 2006 and 2007, except for an arrest at Boston's Logan International Airport in December of 2005 for "flight rowdiness," when he allegedly smoked a cigarette in a plane's bathroom and verbally abused flight attendants. Day, who had been

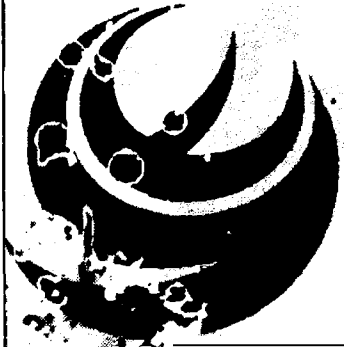
arrested once before for a separate incident, received a year of probation and had to attend an alcohol counseling program. Later, in 2007, tabloids said he and Britney Spears were dating.

In February of this year, Day updated his MySpace blog after a long absence.

"I have gone through a lot of the past couple of years, both personally and professionally, and have taken the last few months to try and sort things out. I can't thank you guys enough for being there for me through everything," he wrote.

After a stop here at Notre Dame and in Vincennes, Ind., Day plans to tour in Australia for the next month with his band.

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Scene talks with Chris Thompson, drummer for the Eli Young Band

By STEPHANIE DEPREZ
Assistant Scene Editor

Earlier this week, Scene got to talk with Chris Thompson, the drummer of the Eli Young Band. Though in transit, Chris shared with Scene his thoughts on the band, their sound, and Halloween costumes.

Where are you? What are you working on?

Actually the band's about to jump out of the van. We're in Chatsworth, Georgia. In about thirty minutes we're playing a pep rally for about fifteen hundred kids at a high school. The local radio station did contest and the prize is us coming and playing their pep rally. Yesterday we were at Fort Worth at the Texas Motor Speedway doing a NASCAR event. Before that we were in Kansas City Missouri and before that we did a big show on Halloween. We all dressed up.

What were you for Halloween?

We're a band that takes baby steps when it comes to making decisions. It was our first show ever to play on Halloween so we knew we all wanted to be something similar, like four of something. We narrowed it down to rock stars. I was Ozzy Osborn. Mike, our singer, was Buddy Holly. John was John Lennon, and James, the guitar player, was Slash. It was a lot of fun. I got to bite the head off a fake bat and I ended up spraying the whole front row.

Reading your biography, I was surprised to find that all four of you met in college and have managed to stick together for eight years. What keeps you together?

Well, when we met, music was just something we all kind of had in common. It was not like we met to start a band. We were friends, we hung out, and every now and then we'd jam together. You know, just talk about music and stuff like that. Actually, while that was all happening Mike and James got together and started doing acoustic shows at this bar in Denton where we went to college called the RBar. They did that for six months. They did this little acoustic set, a bunch of cover songs, and that's when they started writing together. They'd do two or three original songs. John and I, since we were all friends, started jamming on some of the songs that were their own. The first show we played was August of 2000, and John and I got up and played four songs with the other two, the four original songs that they'd written and they played the rest acoustic.

It was fun in the beginning, we were just a couple guys hanging out, having fun. But something happened. We really clicked. There were never any musical

boundaries for any of us and the four of us come from really different musical backgrounds with our education, our preferences for music, and what we're listening to. It was a great outlet, so all of us just worked. I think that friendship we had before we actually started the band. I think that's really kept us together over the years.

So how would you define your sound?

It's country. Without ever setting out to pick a certain kind of music we found ourselves making country music, or what was considered by our fans and people that would come to the shows country music. We sort of embraced that, and at the same time country music embraced us. It's stories about the everyday person and struggling through life and making it through.

We do have a lot of rock influences. Both James and myself listened to a lot of rock in high school, and then John our bass player studied funk and jazz and he brought some of that to the table. We're not afraid to play around with different sounds and experiment with different ideas. But always at our core we're a country band.

What music would you say has influenced you the most personally, as Christ Thompson the Drummer?

My personal favorite drummer of all time is just Keith Moon, the drummer for The Who. He's awesome. I didn't know who he was until probably ten years ago, or really know much of The Who, but we were watching videos of them play, and he was just so manic and crazy on the drums. When the band first started out I was probably a sub-par drummer, which really didn't matter at the time cause we were just kind of goofing off, but I noticed that if I was making mistakes, if I acted a little crazy around the drums, people were just like, 'Aw, he's a crazy drummer!' I saw a lot of that in Keith Moon, except that he could actually play the drums really well. He's kind of a mentor in that regard. But we find all our inspiration through tons of different bands, from our favorite kinds of music to our favorite songs. That really changes because the four of us are huge fans of music in general. One of the things I think is special about our sound is that we are always open to what's new and whatever we can find, whether it be country or whether it be techno.

Okay so it's right after a concert, you're winding down from a show, what music do you put on?

I'll tell you how it works on the tour bus. I think it's quite a good system we have down. We'll walk off the stage get back on the bus and usually we'll have on a music channel and it'll be playing maybe classic rock or good sort of up-

beat mood music and then we'll slide into, depending on who's manning the iPod or changing the channel, anything from Paul Simon to 80's rock. By the end of the night we'll wind down to some Amos Lee or some old Van Morrison. That's a typical after-show routine.

What did you and your bandmates major in at college?

I majored in philosophy and religious studies because my parents wanted me to be a lawyer, and the school we went to, University of North Texas, didn't have a law program so that was as close as I could get. And I really just fell in love with philosophy. Mike was a business major and James was a general studies major. John was a psychology major. We've got all our bases covered. And we all graduated.

"Jet Black and Jealous" is a great song but how did it get to be the name of the album?

We thought about that for a while. For probably a week we were really drawn back and forth on what we wanted to call the album. Jet Black and Jealous was always one that stayed, and the cool thing for us about Jet Black and Jealous is that no one knows what it is. We don't know what it is. It's not one thing, but yet everyone has an idea in their head. Everyone can

picture what it is, but they can't say what it is. It's a feeling in a lot of people. That's what we wanted to name this album because that's what it symbolizes. There's a lot of emotion on the album, ups and downs, lot of struggles with the subject matter of the songs and Jet Black and Jealous symbolizes that without being right in your face saying, "This is what it is."

If you were stranded on a desert island and could bring the complete work of one musical artist, who's would you bring?

The Doors.

What is your favorite song to play in front of a crowd?

"Famous," a new song off our album.

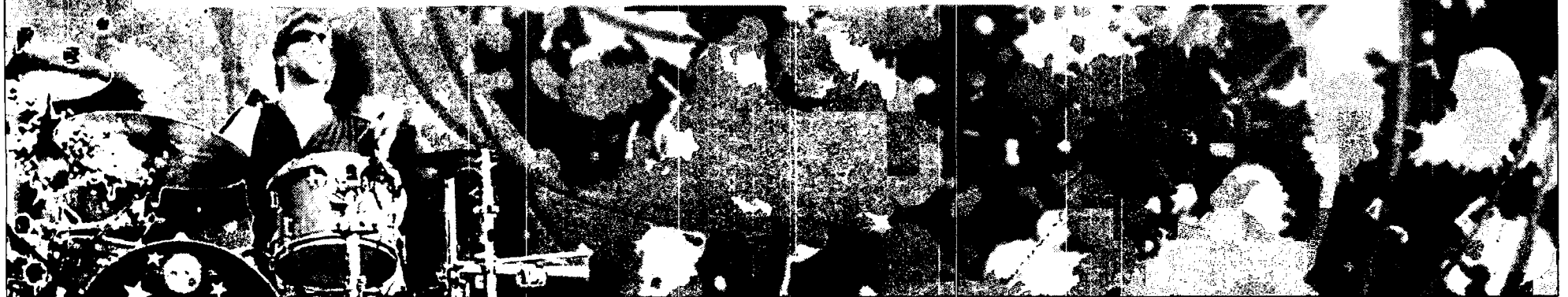
What is the song you are most proud of creating as a musician?

That would be "Always the Love Songs." There's a part in that song where I do something I've never done before on the drums.

If you could give one word of advice to the collegiate student population, what would it be?

Work. Really, work hard. Anything can be accomplished through hard work.

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NFL

Browns fall to Broncos in Quinn's first start

Brady Quinn threw for 239 yards and two touchdowns in debut start; late Marshall TD clinches win for Denver

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Jay Cutler turned Brady Quinn's big night into his own prime-time showcase.

Cutler passed for a career-high 447 yards, throwing three touchdown passes in the fourth quarter Thursday night — the last an 11-yarder to Brandon Marshall with 1:14 remaining — to rally the broken Denver Broncos to a 34-30 win over the Cleveland Browns that spoiled Quinn's highly hyped debut as an NFL starter.

The Broncos (5-4) entered the fourth quarter trailing 23-13, but Cutler, borrowing a page out of John Elway's comeback playbook, brought Denver back. He recorded his fifth career fourth-quarter comeback victory despite losing two more running backs to injuries and only having his fullback to carry the ball.

"It was a big, big win for us," Cutler said. "To be down 13 and have an empty backfield and to come back like this, it means a lot."

Cutler threw a 93-yard TD pass to rookie wide receiver Eddie Royal, a 28-yarder to tight end Daniel Graham and then finished off the Browns like so many Denver teams have done in the past with his toss to Marshall in the corner of the end zone.

The Broncos have beaten Cleveland eight straight times and been the Browns' long-time nemesis, beating them three times in AFC title games.

Cutler finished 24-of-42 with three TDs and one interception. He piled up 204 yards passing in the fourth quarter.

Quinn threw two TD passes to Kellen Winslow and went 23-of-35 for 239 yards, but thought he could have done more.

"I told everyone, this one is flat on me," Quinn said. "I know I am good enough that I can make a play at the end and win. I felt comfortable out there, it's my home away from home."

After hauling in Cutler's final TD pass, Marshall, who

spent the week exchanging barbs with Dolphins line-backer Joey Porter, was about to pull something out of his pants when teammate Brandon Stokley ran over and stopped him from getting a possible personal foul.

After the game, Marshall said he had a black-and-white glove designed to honor President-elect Barack Obama and former Olympians Tommie Smith and John Carlos, who made controversial black power salutes at the 1968 Games in Mexico City.

Quinn had one last chance, getting the ball back with 1:10 remaining. The former Notre Dame star, who waited 25 games to take over Cleveland's offense, completed a 9-yard pass to Winslow on first down before two incompletions gave him no margin for error. On fourth down, Quinn whipped a high pass to Winslow that sailed through the hands of the Pro Bowl tight end.

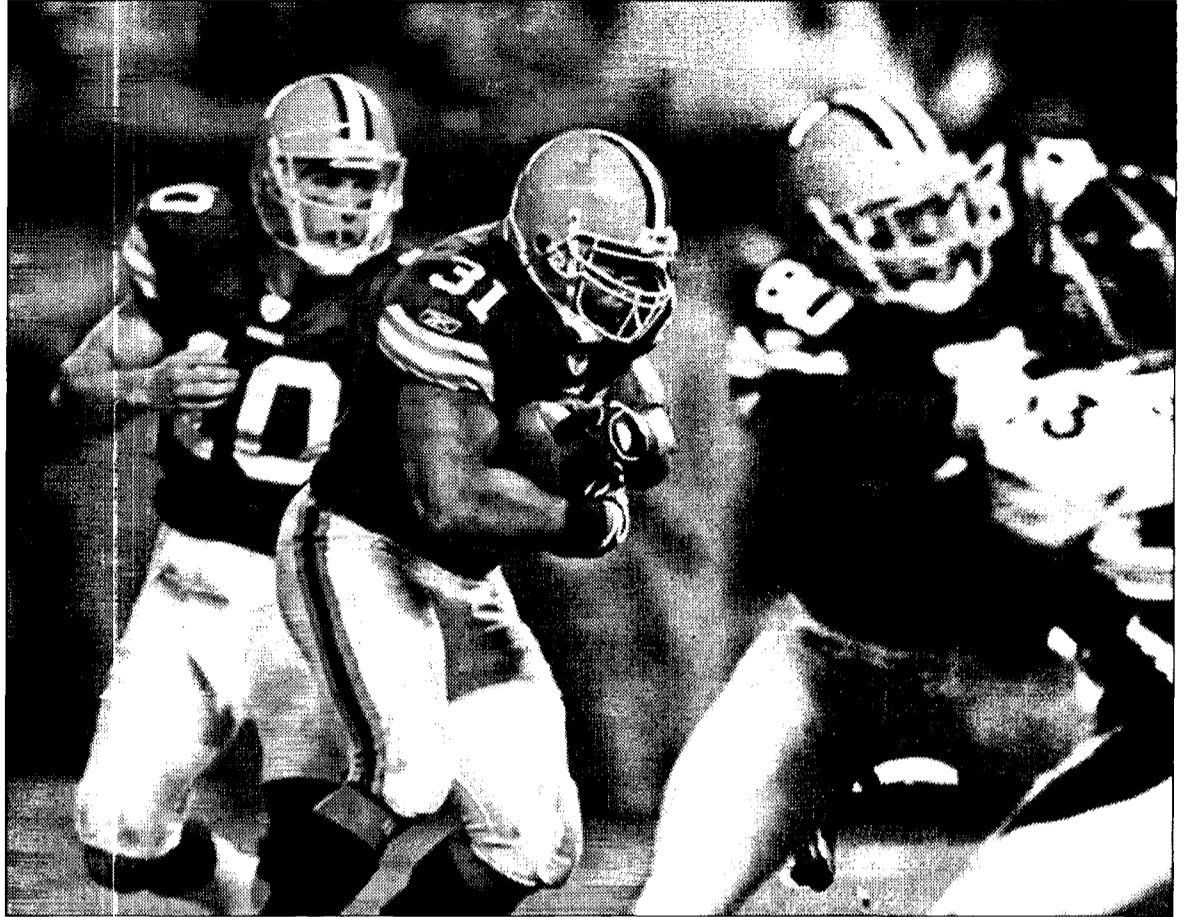
"I just can't get that last play out of my head," Winslow said. "The great ones, the legends make those plays. That's where I want to be and I'm going to take it as a lesson."

Denver's bench burst into celebration while the Browns sustained another gut-wrenching loss after blowing a 14-point lead in the second half Sunday against Baltimore.

That loss cost Derek Anderson his starting job. He was benched by coach Romeo Crennel in favor of fan favorite Quinn, who made plays and was efficient moving the ball by throwing mostly underneath. Quinn completed passes to eight different receivers with Winslow catching 10 passes for 111 yards.

Quinn had the Browns (3-6) in position to win, but once again Cleveland's defense couldn't come up with a stop as Denver racked up 564 total yards.

"We let them throw the ball over our head, couldn't tackle and let the game get away," Crennel said. "It's disappoint-



Cleveland Browns quarterback Brady Quinn hands the ball off to Jamal Lewis during Thursday night's 34-30 loss to the Denver Broncos.

ing that your defense can't do some simple things and does some other things poorly. A 93-yard touchdown pass should never happen — ever."

Royal had six catches for 164 yards and Marshall caught six passes for 89 yards.

Cutler was playing at a huge disadvantage with Denver's running game going backward because of injuries. It hardly mattered.

With starter Michael Pittman and backup Andre Hall already out with season-ending injuries, rookie Ryan Torain made his first start with third-year pro Selvin Young as his backup.

Torain scored on a 1-yard run in the first quarter but sprained his left knee midway through the second when he got bent backward underneath a pile of players. He was replaced by Young, who gained 2 yards on his first carry but left a few plays later with a groin injury and didn't return.

Those losses forced the Broncos to use fullback Peyton Hillis as their primary ball carrier, and the rookie from Arkansas came through on Denver's final scoring

drive by blasting his way through the line for a crucial first down on 4th-and-1 at the Cleveland 45.

From there, Cutler completed a 14-yard pass to Graham before catching the Browns off guard with a quarterback draw for 18 yards. After missing Marshall in the end zone on first down, Cutler had his widest run the same route against cornerback Brandon McDonald for the game-winner.

Earlier, McDonald was burned by Royal for the 93-yard TD, the fourth-longest in Denver history.

The Browns played up Quinn's pregame introduction, saving him to be the last player to run from the smoke-filled tunnel. He received a huge ovation from Cleveland fans, who despite having a Pro Bowl QB in Anderson, have spent many Sunday afternoons chanting "Bra-dy, Bra-dy" for most of the past two seasons.

Quinn didn't disappoint, throwing two TD passes to Winslow in the first half to help the Browns open a 20-10 lead.

With Broncos defensive end Elvis Dumervil in his face,

Quinn hung in the pocket as long as he could before firing his first career TD pass, a 5-yarder to Winslow, to tie it 7-all. Winslow's scoring grab made up for the one he dropped from Quinn last season when the rookie QB made his pro debut in Cleveland's season finale.

It was a night the 25-year-old Quinn had dreamed of since he was a little kid in Dublin, Ohio. He grew up in the Columbus suburb cheering for the Browns and he still has a picture of himself wearing a No. 19 Bernie Kosar jersey.

In the days leading up to his first start, Quinn sought advice from his college coach, Notre Dame's Charlie Weis, a former offensive coordinator with New England.

"He gave me some words of wisdom," Quinn said, "as did everyone else — my mom, my dog."

Quinn's No. 10 jersey dotted every corner of Browns Stadium and a white bed sheet with "Save Us Brady" hung from the second deck.

But in the end, there was nothing he or anyone else in orange helmets could do to stop Cutler.

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Men's Soccer Rankings

team	points	record
1 Wake Forest (23)	575	16-0-1
2 Creighton	537	11-1-2
3 St. John's	526	13-1-3
4 Akron	508	14-1-3
5 Maryland	494	14-3-0
6 Loyola (Md.)	457	16-0-1
7 Tulsa	403	12-3-2
8 Northwestern	389	12-2-2
9 Illinois-Chicago	369	12-2-4
10 Saint Louis	340	9-2-5
11 UC Irvine	304	10-1-6
12 Michigan	302	11-4-2
13 NOTRE DAME	280	11-5-2
14 California	243	7-3-5
15 UC Davis	239	12-3-3
16 South Florida	237	11-4-2
17 Connecticut	224	9-3-6
18 Michigan State	209	11-5-1
19 UC Santa Barbara	142	10-5-2
20 North Carolina	131	11-5-1
21 Pennsylvania	116	10-2-3
22 UCLA	82	8-4-6
23 Indiana	71	9-5-3
24 Butler	48	13-2-4
25 Duke	41	10-5-2

NSCAA/adidas

Women's Soccer Rankings

team	points	record
1 NOTRE DAME (31)	799	19-0-0
2 Portland	735	16-1-0
2 UCLA	735	16-0-2
4 North Carolina	727	16-1-2
5 Florida State	658	14-2-2
6 Stanford	655	17-1-1
7 Florida	613	16-2-1
8 Oklahoma State	575	16-1-2
9 USC	509	13-4-1
10 Boston College	478	12-4-2
11 Texas A&M	456	15-3-1
12 Virginia	412	12-4-2
13 West Virginia	369	13-2-5
14 San Diego	349	14-3-2
15 Texas	343	12-2-4
16 Colorado	341	13-3-3
17 Duke	323	12-4-3
18 Wake Forest	266	12-6-0
19 UW-Milwaukee	241	16-2-2
20 Missouri	211	13-5-0
21 Minnesota	148	18-2-0
22 BYU	99	15-5-0
23 Penn State	69	13-7-0
24 Washington State	49	8-5-5
25 Long Beach State	45	13-4-3

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Team	Record	league	overall
1 Hope	15-1	26-6	
2 Calvin	14-2	26-4	
3 Alma	11-5	21-9	
4 SAINT MARY'S	9-7	18-11	
5 Adrian	8-8	15-15	
6 Albion	5-11	12-16	
7 Kalamazoo	4-12	8-22	
8 Trine	4-12	9-20	
9 Olivet	2-14	6-21	

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MLB



San Diego Padres general manager Kevin Towers talks about the possibilities of trading star pitcher Jake Peavy, at a meeting of baseball GMs Tuesday in Dana Point, Calif.

Padres' Peavy to be traded soon

Associated Press

DANA POINT, Calif. — Jake Peavy probably will be traded by the San Diego Padres before the winter meetings next month.

After spending four days at the annual general managers' meetings, Padres GM Kevin Towers said it is unlikely the 2007 NL Cy Young Award winner will remain with San Diego, which signed him out of high school in 1999.

"The train's kind of left the station," Towers said Thursday.

Guaranteed \$63 million under a contract that runs through 2012, Peavy is relatively inexpensive when com-

pared with what CC Sabathia is likely to get on the free-agent market. The right-hander also has a no-trade clause, so he can determine where he winds up.

"We're not in control of the speed or the train," Peavy's agent, Barry Axelrod, said in a telephone interview. "The only thing we've got is a brake."

Peavy's initial list of teams San Diego should concentrate on included Atlanta, the Chicago Cubs, Houston, the Los Angeles Dodgers and St. Louis. The Braves, Cubs and Dodgers appear to be the most likely candidates for a trade.

Towers, cutting payroll following a last-place finish,

anticipates a trade before the winter meetings open in Las Vegas on Dec. 8. Given the paucity of pitching, the 27-year-old is highly prized. He was 10-11 with a 2.85 ERA in 27 starts last season.

"We're not to the point where we've agreed on who the players are coming back. We just have an idea of who's available to us and who's not," Towers said. "Now it's just a matter of looking at three priority teams that are involved and trying to figure out what our optimum deal is. Some of them involve third teams and potentially fourth teams, so it becomes a little more complicated."

At last year's GM meetings,

Philadelphia acquired closer Brad Lidge and infielder Eric Bruntlett from Houston for outfielder Michael Bourn, pitcher Geoff Geary and minor league third baseman Mike Costanzo, a deal that helped the Phillies win the World Series for the first time since 1980. Florida held trade talks on third baseman Miguel Cabrera, who was dealt to Detroit along with Dontrelle Willis at the winter meetings.

There were no trades at this year's gathering, with talks more cautious. That's because this year's free-agent class includes stars such as Sabathia, Manny Ramirez, Mark Teixeira and Francisco Rodriguez.

IN BRIEF

MLB likely to eliminate coin flips for playoff sites

DANA POINT, Calif. — No more flip decisions. Rather than heads or tails, baseball general managers plan to recommend that sites for division and wild-card tiebreakers be decided by wins and losses.

"The team that performed better against the other team I think is the one that deserves to have home-field advantage, not an arbitrary coin flip," San Diego Padres general manager Kevin Towers said Thursday as the annual GMs meeting ended.

MLB staff is drafting a proposal for the GMs to consider next month when they gather at the winter meetings in Las Vegas, according to Jimmie Lee Solomon, executive vice president of baseball operations in the commissioner's office. Head-to-head record between the tied clubs appears likely to be the first tiebreaker.

"I think it's better to decide it on the field," Texas Rangers GM Jon Daniels said.

Jags' linebacker Peterson to be benched for attitude

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Jacksonville linebacker Mike Peterson was sent home again Thursday and probably will be benched or suspended for this weekend's game at Detroit.

Coach Jack Del Rio was still deciding how to punish the Jaguars' captain, who was asked to leave Wednesday after a confrontation with the coach during a team meeting Wednesday.

According to teammates, Del Rio called out Peterson for his muscle-flexing celebration following a shoe-string sack at Cincinnati on Sunday. Del Rio was upset that Peterson was reveling a play in a game the Jaguars trailed 21-3.

Peterson defended himself in the meeting, saying he was trying to give the team a spark in the game, but Del Rio didn't want to hear any excuses. The coach had even told players before he singled a few out that he didn't want to hear a word from anyone.

Former top draft pick Leaf under investigation for drugs

DALLAS, Texas — Police in the Texas Panhandle are investigating a minor drug allegation made against former NFL quarterback Ryan Leaf, who this week was placed on leave from his job as an assistant football coach at West Texas A&M.

Canyon police Chief Bobby Griffin says the investigation is in its preliminary stages, but confirmed the allegation was that Leaf obtained a controlled substance by fraudulent means.

"We are trying to determine whether anything like that happened," Griffin said. "There is not enough information or facts to say we have a crime being committed or not."

Leaf did not immediately respond to a message left by The Associated Press and Griffin said the police have not interviewed him.

"Some allegations have been made and some rumors are flying around. We've been asked...to look into it," said Griffin.

MLB

Rays' Pena wins franchise's first gold glove

Ichiro picks up eighth straight gold glove; Young, Pedroia, and Mauer join Pena as first time winners

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Carlos Pena grabbed attention for all those balls he hit. Now the Tampa Bay first baseman and his teammates are getting noticed for the ones he caught.

Pena raised the Rays' profile Thursday when he became the first player in franchise history to win the Gold Glove for fielding excellence.

"I think this is the first of many for the Tampa Bay Rays," he said on a conference call.

"I feel like we all won the Gold Glove as a team," he added. "I think we all make each other better."

The Rays reached the playoffs for the first time since starting play in 1998. They went to the World Series, losing in five games to Philadelphia.

Texas shortstop Michael Young became the first infielder to win a Gold Glove from a team with the worst fielding percentage in the majors. Pena, Young, Boston second baseman Dustin Pedroia and Minnesota catcher Joe Mauer were first-time winners.

The outfield was a repeat from last season: Los Angeles' Torii Hunter and Seattle's Ichiro Suzuki each won for the eighth straight year and

Cleveland's Grady Sizemore earned his second award.

New York Yankees pitcher Mike Mussina, coming off his first 20-win season, added to his accolades with his seventh Gold Glove. Seattle third baseman Adrian Beltre won for the second straight year.

Pena bounced around the majors for several seasons before joining Tampa Bay in 2007, and quickly got a regular spot by hitting 46 home runs.

Pena starred with the bat this year, too, with 31 homers and 102 RBIs despite missing 3 1/2 weeks because of a broken finger. He sparkled with the glove, making only two errors.

"I can't deny that I like hitting home runs," Pena said, but "this is an award I always thought of."

"You have no idea how excited I was when I received the news," he said. "Go steal a hit, go help your pitcher out. I've always taken so much pride in my defense."

The 30-year-old Pena has shown improvement in the field, cutting down from 13 errors with Detroit in 2003. He made eight last year with the Rays.

Pena said it had been his goal "to actually play like a Gold Glover and eventually get

recognized."

"Carlos works very hard on his defense and he has turned himself into a premier defensive player," Rays executive vice president for baseball operations Andrew Friedman said.

Rawlings has presented Gold Gloves since 1957. Managers and coaches pick players in their own leagues near the end of the regular season, and can't vote for someone on their team.

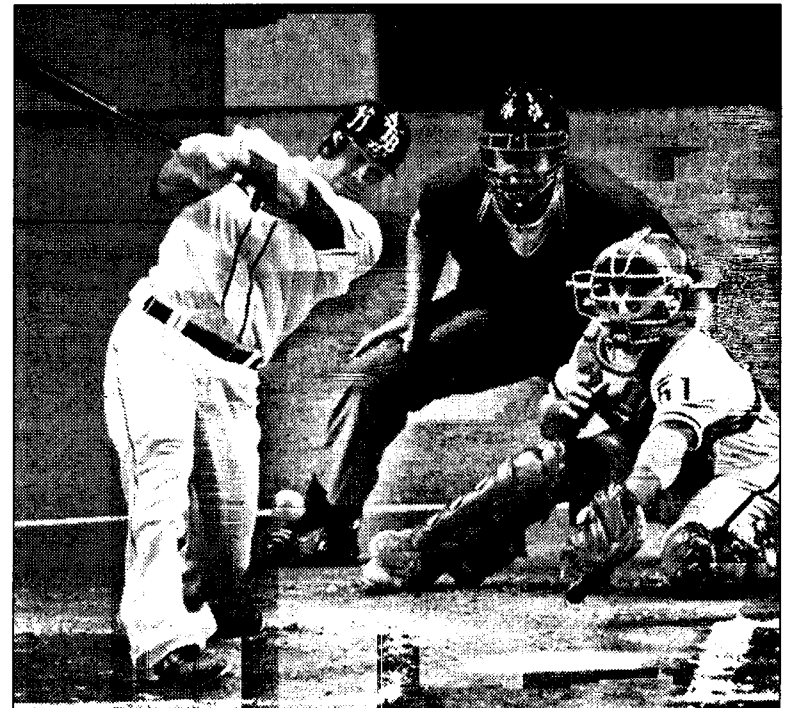
Hunter has not made an error since Aug. 31, 2007. The AL outfield record for Gold Gloves is 10, shared by Ken Griffey Jr. and Al Kaline.

Pedroia, the AL Rookie of the Year last season, joined Kevin Youkilis (2007) and Jason Varitek (2005) as the only Red Sox players to win a Gold Glove in the last 17 seasons.

Young led AL shortstops in fielding percentage. This was his fifth season at the spot since switching over from second base.

Mussina won for the first time since 2003. At 39, he was the oldest AL winner this year; pitcher Greg Maddux won an NL Gold Glove this week at 42.

The Gold Gloves often raise the ire of many baseball fans. Critics claim the best fielders are overlooked in favor of more popular players, and fur-



Tampa Bay Rays first baseman Carlos Pena hits a grounder against the Phillies in game two of the World Series on Oct. 23.

ther insist that better hitters get a break in the voting.

Hunter and Sizemore earned \$100,000 bonuses in their contracts for winning Gold Gloves. Beltre and Suzuki got \$50,000 each and Pena, Mauer and Young won \$25,000 apiece. Mussina and Pedroia did not have Gold Glove clauses.

The NL Gold Gloves were announced Wednesday. Along with Maddux, winners were catcher Yadier Molina, first baseman Adrian Gonzalez, second baseman Brandon Phillips, shortstop Jimmy Rollins, third baseman David Wright and outfielders Nate McLouth, Carlos Beltran and Shane Victorino.

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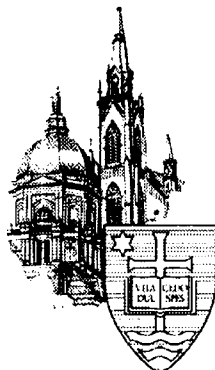
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MLB

Fenway undergoes final stage of renovations

Upgrades to seating will keep one of baseball's most historic ballparks open for at least another 30-50 years

Associated Press

BOSTON — The Boston Red Sox are wrapping up almost a decade of renovations to Fenway Park that should keep their venerable ballpark open for another 30-50 years.

"We are committed to Fenway Park — short-term, middle-term, long-term," team president Larry Lucchino said Thursday as the Red Sox unveiled their winter renovation plans. "We're going to be here. No thought has been, or is being given to a new ballpark."

Past years' renovations have included the Monster Seats above Fenway's famous left-field wall, new and improved luxury suites and expanded concourses that have given Red Sox fans room to roam. This year's more modest goals are to waterproof the concrete under the lower deck sections, replace and repair the seats from first to third and add upper deck seats down the first-base line.

While the legal capacity — including those who work at

the ballpark — will remain 39,928, the net result of the changes will be the addition of about 350 more seats and a sellout crowd of about 37,750 for night games.

"There's no reason they couldn't play here for generations to come," project leader Janet Marie Smith said. "There's no reason it should become physically obsolete. It survived the domes and it survived the multi-purpose arenas.

It's back again."

Next year's plans include waterproofing the rest of the lower deck, a section that was added onto the structure in 1934. Other, smaller projects that come up will be tackled when they arise.

"We are in the eighth inning of a nine-inning game," Lucchino said. "I'm certainly glad that we are in the closing innings of this gigantic undertaking."

The majors' oldest and smallest ballpark, Fenway opened in 1912 and is being shored up to last through its 100th anniversary, when the Red Sox are hoping to host the All-Star



Construction worker Kenneth Chora works at removing the old wooden seats at Fenway Park in Boston on Tuesday. AP

game, Lucchino said. But it's not clear how long the Red Sox can stay in a ballpark lacking some of the revenue sources built into new facilities, like the \$1.3 billion Yankee Stadium scheduled to open next spring.

"(We) spend a lot of time dis-

cussing what's happening with other ballparks," Lucchino said. We'll be watching with interest how that new ballpark affects their revenue and their financial wherewithal."

The Red Sox will also be watching to see whether the

new ballparks can be supported if the economy continues to sour.

"We have not had the kind of economic downturn the nation is confronting right now," Lucchino said. "I think we'll all learn a lot."

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NCAA FOOTBALL

OSU's Small to sit out one game

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Ohio State coach Jim Tressel said Thursday that receiver and punt returner Ray Small was suspended for one game "to start with" and that he had handled the situation correctly, despite complaints from Small's father.

Tressel confirmed that Small will not play when No. 12 Ohio State plays at Northwestern on Saturday. Team spokeswoman Shelly Poe said the suspension was due to a "repeated violation of team rules."

But Small's father, Ken Small, said he is mystified why his son is being suspended.

"They're intentionally trying to blow his career," Ken Small told The Associated Press by telephone from his home in suburban Columbus.

It has been no secret that Ray Small has continually been in and out of Tressel's doghouse for the past two seasons. His father said that the latest suspension stemmed from missing or being late for some classes and meetings. He also said part of his problems was parking tickets.

Ken Small cited several other recent legal transgressions by Ohio State players and compared them to the minor problems his son has had. One player a year ago was arrested for propositioning a female police officer posing as a prostitute. At least two players have been arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Ken Small said it was clear his son is being treated unfairly by Tressel.

"He had a couple of incidents, but he never got caught smoking marijuana before the national championship game. Or he never got a DUI, or picked up a prostitute. He was just late," Ken Small said. "And the punishment is you can't even go into the (practice) facility? They act like he's dangerous. These other kids ... didn't get banned from the facility. All they got was being sat down for the first few plays of a game."

Tressel hinted that Small, a 5-foot-11, 180-pounder from Cleveland, was being punished for ongoing problems.

"If a guy makes repetitive mistakes in football, he's probably going to lose opportunities to play," Tressel said. "The same would be with anything off the field, if a guy's repetitive, it's going to impact (his playing time)."

Tressel, speaking at the Woody Hayes Athletic Center, grew increasingly upset as reporters asked him questions about Small's suspension. Tressel meets with reporters every Thursday for 15 or 20 minutes after he finishes his radio show.

He abruptly ended the interview after 5 minutes on Thursday.

"OK, guys. Thanks. I appreciate it. I thought we were going to talk about Northwestern. Thanks. Thanks," he said.

As he walked down a corridor lined with trophies from the team's past, he shook his head in disgust.

Before that, reporters asked him if the suspension was just for one game. Tressel's brief reply: "To start with." He also said that the length of the suspension would be determined by what Small does "from this point on."

He also said that Small and his family had never discussed transferring out of the football program — which Ken Small said was not true.

"No, that's false. That's an outright lie," he said. He said he and several family members, along with Ohio State defensive lineman Rob Rose, all met with Tressel last spring and they discussed Small transferring. But Ken Small said he talked his son out of it.

Ray Small got off to a great start this season, but his playing time has been drastically cut. He had 14 catches in the first three games to lead the team, then was benched for the third game and didn't catch a pass in the game after that. After making two receptions against Wisconsin, he didn't catch a pass during the next two games.

In Ohio State's most recent game, a 13-6 home loss to No. 3 Penn State on Oct. 25, he had two catches for 37 yards.

He currently is second on the team in receptions with 18 for 149 yards.

The speedy Small is also the Buckeyes' top punt returner, with 18 for an average of 13.2 yards, tops in the Big Ten and 14th in the nation.

This spring, due to unspecified team infractions, Tressel took away Small's preferred uniform No. 4 and gave him the No. 82.

Tressel said he was sure that he had both critics and supporters when it came to disciplinary moves.

"I'm sure there's both ends of the spectrum out there in opinions, like there are about what we're doing with football," said Tressel, who has also caught heat because of his team's erratic play this season. "There's one end that feels this way and one end that feels that way. Most things lie somewhere in the middle. But I don't feel bad about how we've tried to help any of our guys."

Ken Small said Tressel has it in for his son and has no intention to play him in games.

"Yes, that's what it sounds like to me," he said. "He's saying, 'We're not going to kick him off the team, but he won't play.'"

"They're intentionally trying to blow his career."

Ken Small
Ray Small's father

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SWIMMING

Squads to take on Purdue

By MICHAEL BLASCO
Sports Writer

After a week off since its previous meet against Pittsburgh, both the men's and women's squads are gearing up to face off against in-state rival Purdue.

"We're very excited to swim against Purdue," Men's coach Tim Welsh said. "They're a wonderful program, a great in-state rival with two South Bend boys on their team. We're glad to have them"

Welsh's Men's team comes off a thrilling victory against Pittsburgh that went down to the final event of the meet.

"We swam well at Pitt and raced tough, and it gave us the confidence that we can be tough when we need to be," Welsh said.

"We're very enthusiastic and optimistic headed into the meet."

However, the Irish face one of their toughest challenges of the season against the

Boilermakers. Purdue, ranked No. 16 nationally, is the first ranked team to travel to the Rolfs Aquatic Center this season.

One of the intriguing matchups in the meet comes on the diving board, as both teams bring in tremendously talented divers. Purdue first diver, freshman and Indiana native David Boudia, competed in the Olympics this summer in Beijing, and Purdue's second diver, sophomore David Colturi, was an NCAA Finalist. Meanwhile, Notre Dame senior Michael Bulfin was an All-American in the NCAA Championships last year.

Welsh thinks it may be Notre Dame's most exciting diving competition of the year.

In the women's matchup, the teams enter with the roles nearly reversed compared to their male counterparts.

Notre Dame, ranked No. 24 nationally, looks to remain unbeaten in its home pool. The Irish have won all 28 events in which they have

competed at the Rolfs Aquatic Center.

Notre Dame hopes that its sophomores can maintain their fast start. Of the 14 individual events that the Irish won against Purdue, sophomores won 13 of them.

While the Irish are well rested after a weeklong layoff, Purdue will travel to Notre Dame on Friday night after taking on Northwestern in Evanston. The Boilermakers' travel schedule could have an impact on the meet.

The meet is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. on Saturday at the Rolfs Aquatic Center.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Irish meet Cardinals in quarterfinals

By MATT GAMBER
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For No. 11 Notre Dame to avoid bowing out in the quarterfinals of the Big East tournament, the Irish (11-5-2, 7-2-2 Big East) will have to avenge one of their two conference losses with a home win against Louisville tomorrow night.

The Cardinals (11-6-2, 5-5-1 Big East) edged the Irish 2-1 in overtime on Sept. 28 and beat West Virginia 2-0 Wednesday to earn the right to face Notre Dame on Saturday at 6 p.m.

"They're a well-organized team, a good team with some very good players," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "There's no way our guys will look past them, that's for sure. We were maybe a little bit unlucky in the way things fell for us [at Louisville], but it's a game we'll be ready for."

Senior forward Bright Dike notched the lone Irish goal in

the loss to the Cardinals, who scored unanswered goals — in the 89th and 95th minutes, respectively.

Notre Dame will be without senior goalkeeper Andrew Quinn, who injured his shoulder during Notre Dame's 2-1 win over Georgetown on Oct. 29 and is likely out for the season. Junior Philip Tuttle will make his second straight start in his place after recording his first career shutout in Notre Dame's last game, a 1-0 victory at West Virginia on Nov. 1.

"It's business as usual," Clark said. "He's a very good goalkeeper ... we're very sorry for Andrew, but at the same time, I think we're in pretty good shape."

But the Irish will be challenged, both by the Cardinals tomorrow and, should they advance, by match-ups with ranked teams like No. 3 St. John's, No. 16 South Florida and No. 17 Connecticut.

"The top eight teams are in the quarterfinals, so it pretty well tells you that anyone

could win it," Clark said. "That's the interesting thing about our league — it's a very difficult league, so you couldn't begin to forecast it."

After winning the Big East Blue division's regular season crown, the Irish are looking to position themselves for NCAA play by advancing in the conference tournament.

"This is huge as far as getting seeded," Clark said. "Our record will ensure we make the NCAA's, but the key is now if we could win [the Big East tournament], we'd be in a terrific situation to be a top-four seed in the country."

The top four national seeds would be guaranteed home games until the semifinals, an advantage the Irish would gladly take.

"That would be a terrific situation for our team," Clark said. "That's the main importance."

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SMC SWIMMING

Belles face Alma in MIAA competition

Saint Mary's looks to grab first conference win

By ERIC PRISTER
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's will look to win its first conference meet Saturday as they take on Alma in Alma, Mich. The Belles come into the competition after splitting their last meet, defeating the Illinois Institute of Technology, but losing to the host University of Chicago.

The Belles are led by sophomore Maggie Williams, who so far this season has recorded four first-place finishes, which include victories in the 100 and 200 yard backstroke, the 200 yard freestyle relay, and the 200 yard medley relay.

Also performing well so far for the Belles is freshman Audrey Dalrymple, who has achieved first-place finishes in the 100 yard breaststroke, the 200 yard individual medley and the 200 yard medley relay.

The Scots, who are also 0-1 in the conference, are led by sophomore diver Brianna Harfman, who won both the 1m and 3m diving competitions in their last meet, and by sophomore Jordan Bryde, who won the 100 yard backstroke in Alma's first competition of the year. The meet will take place Saturday at 1:00 PM.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Utah downs TCU, remains unbeaten

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Brian Johnson threw a 9-yard touchdown pass to Freddie Brown with 47 seconds left to cap an 80-yard drive that kept No. 10 Utah's BCS hopes alive with a 13-10 victory over No. 11 TCU on Thursday night.

The Utes, who improved to 10-0 for the second time in school history, were swarmed at midfield by the fans who made Rice-Eccles Stadium shake when Johnson rallied Utah to its first touchdown and saved the Utes' postseason hopes.

Johnson threw for 230 yards for the Utes (10-0, 6-0 Mountain West), who recovered on defense after allowing TCU to gain 202 yards in the first quarter.

The Horned Frogs (9-2, 6-1) missed two field goal attempts in the fourth quarter either of which would have put TCU up by seven.

Ross Evans bounced one kick off the line upright, then with 2:48 left he was wide right on a 35-yard attempt. Utah got the ball back on the 20 and

Johnson led the Utes' comeback.

TCU nearly had the drive stopped, but on fourth-and-5 Johnson completed an 11-yard pass to Brown to the Frogs' 15. Two plays later, Johnson found Brown on a slant for the winning score.

Robert Johnson sealed it with an interception in the final seconds and Utah won despite getting outgained 416-275.

Aaron Brown ran for 106 yards on 15 carries and Andy Dalton passed for 251 yards, but the Frogs hurt themselves with penalties and untimely breakdowns. TCU was called for 11 penalties and allowed two sacks on third downs that took the Frogs out of field goal range twice.

TCU was stunned to lose a game that had started like a blowout.

Utah fans wore black to match the uniforms the Utes broke out for the showcase game. The fans were loud and rowdy and didn't faze the Frogs one bit in the first quarter as TCU had 202 yards of offense and took a 10-3 lead.

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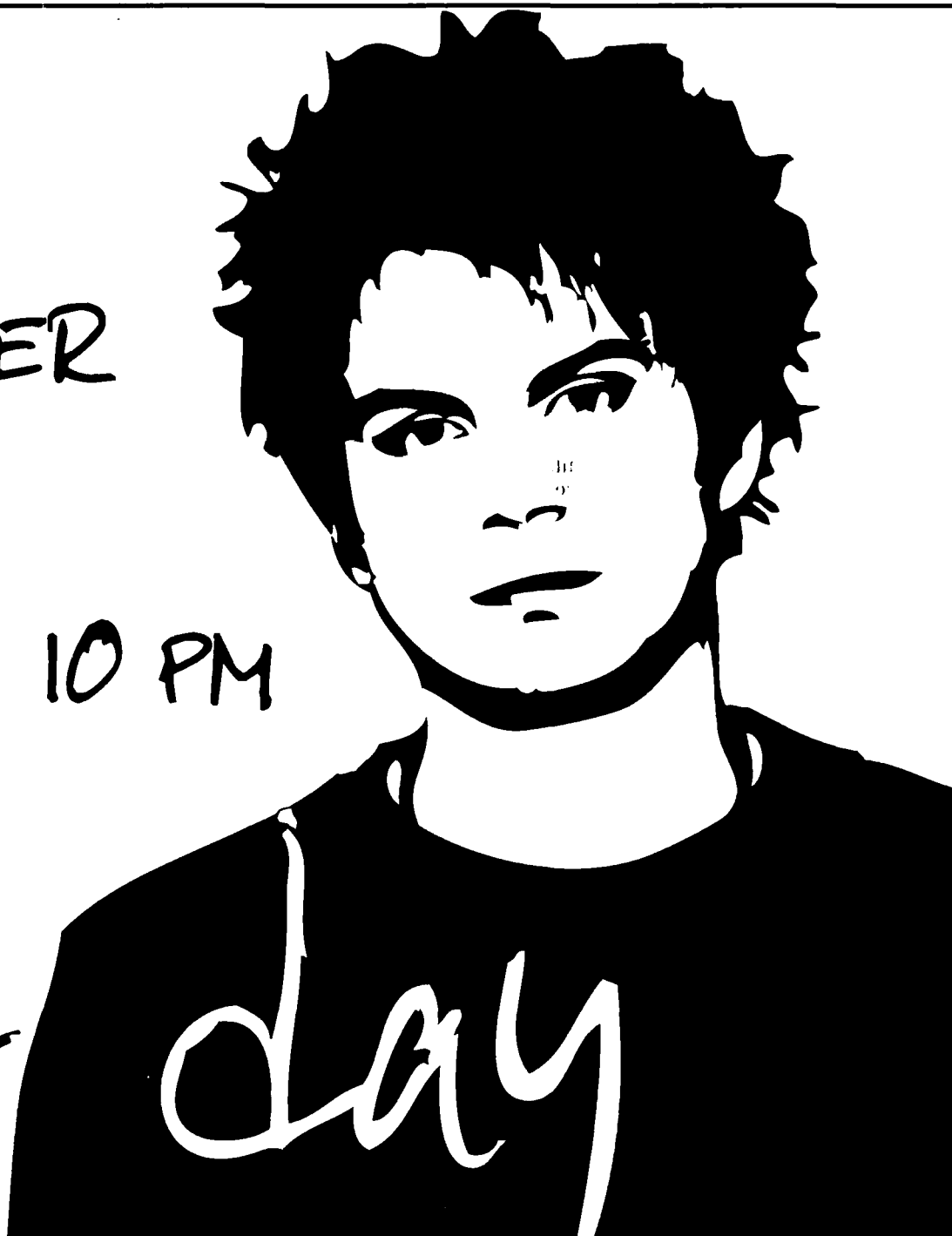



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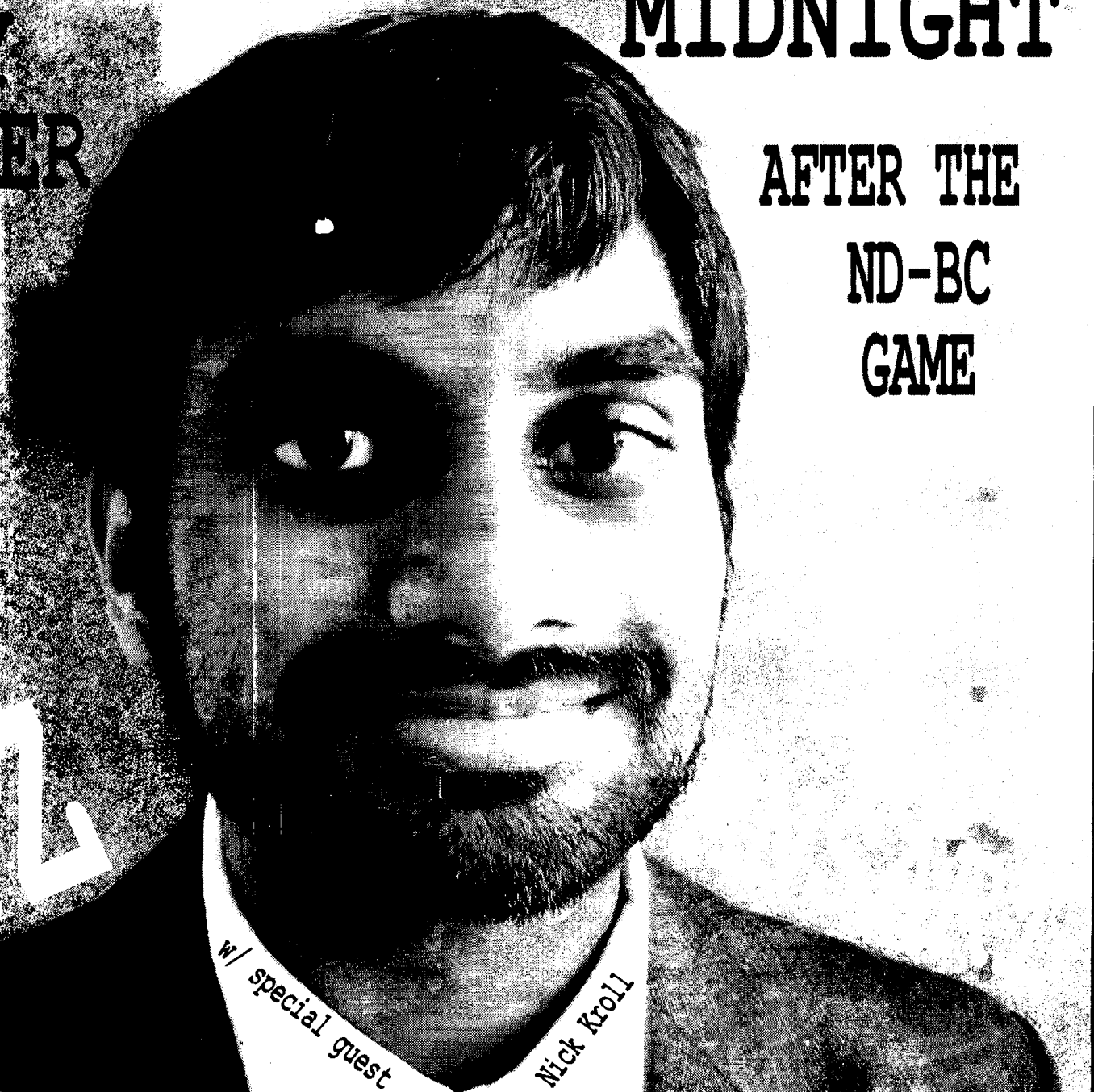
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back Marcus Young, Siegfried also fields a suffocating defense, which allowed an astoundingly low zero touchdowns on the year.

But the games are played for a reason, and on any given Sunday, even the most invulnerable teams could potentially stumble. Led by quarterback Pat Rushford, the Alumni Dawgs will look to control the clock, wearing down the Ramblers' defense while keeping their vaunted offense off the field.

"We expect Alumni to come out intense since we've played them before. Even though we won 14-3, it was a hard-fought game until the end," captain Kevin Kelly said.

The Dawgs played Siegfried closer than any other team this season, being the only team to put up any points against the well-disciplined Rambler defensive unit. This experience, coupled with a desire to play the role of spoiler might give Alumni just enough impetus to topple the colossus that has been Siegfried football this season.

"We are just try to keep things going the way they have been and make sure to stay focused and crisp on execution," Kelly said.

Kickoff is Sunday at 1 p.m. at Riehle Fields.

Dillon vs. Stanford

A regular season rematch is in store Sunday when third-seeded Dillon takes on sixth-seeded Stanford.

The Big Red won Oct. 5 matchup 7-6, and captain Chris Cugliari said that the most important thing his team took away from that game went beyond Xs and Os.

"We hadn't had a lot of luck against Stanford, so it was big to get that monkey off our back," he said. "The biggest thing we

took away from that game is that we know we can beat them."

Dillon's defense was the story of that game, with a key interception by cornerback Brian Shafer shifting the momentum.

"I would say our biggest strength is definitely our defense creating turnovers," Cugliari said.

Cugliari said that his team has been focused on the psychological aspects of the game this week.

"We've been working on mentally going over responsibilities and we're making sure that we're not going to have any mental mistakes," he said. "Ever since we've been back from fall break, we kicked it up a notch."

Cugliari also said that even though Stanford made it to the championship last year, he's confident his team had what it takes to make it to the Stadium.

"I think we definitely have what it takes," he said. "It's going to be a matter of all 23 guys showing up and being ready to give their best efforts Sunday. I think we definitely have the talent to make it there."

Morrissey vs. Sorin

The quest for the Stadium begins this Sunday as undefeated Sorin takes on perennial powerhouse Morrissey for a spot in the semifinals.

Morrissey returns to the gridiron after a 21-6 rout of Knott last week that guaranteed the Manor the No. 5 seed in the playoffs. Morrissey will try to duplicate that effort against a Sorin defense that has been merciless all season.

Senior quarterback Joe McBrayer, who led Morrissey to an interhall championship two years ago, is confident his team's experience will give them the edge this week.

"We have a lot of players who have been in this situation before," McBrayer said. "We know what we have to do to win in the postseason."

McBrayer will try to ignite the offense with help from senior wide receiver Kyle Anderson, who poses a deep threat on the perimeter.

But strong team defense has been Morrissey's strong point all season.

Junior linebacker Phil Yuhas leads an aggressive defense that has overpowered teams with its speed and intensity. Senior lineman Mike Kaiser, known to his teammates as "The Black Hole," will be doing the dirty work in the trenches.

Sorin, who clinched the No. 4 seed in the playoffs last week after a scoreless tie against St. Edward's, is making its first playoff appearance in years. The Otters have not won an interhall football championship since 1888.

Led by cornerback Jordan Gonzalez and defensive lineman Matt Gamber, Sorin's defense has carried the team through the regular season. Yielding only six points all season, the Otters have posted three consecutive shutouts.

Junior captain Robert Gallic is confident that the offense will find a way to score points if the defense maintains its high level of play.

"We always do just enough to get the job done," Gallic said. "Our real concern is trying to come up with better team touchdown celebrations."

While the Otters have been focusing on their touchdown dances, Morrissey has been all business in practice.

"We've been using our intense practices to springboard into teams," McBrayer said. "We're looking to light up the scoreboard this week."

The two contenders face off this Sunday at 1:00 p.m. at Riehle Fields.

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In Notre Dame's first exhibition, the Irish defeated Briar Cliff 103-64 last Friday, but despite the large margin of victory, McAlarney said the Irish could've played better.

"We have to flush that out of our heads," McAlarney said after the game. "We need to go out and play — that's our strength. We didn't do that but it was the first game. We definitely weren't at our best but it's a process and we'll look bet-

ter."

But one thing the Irish did do right against Briar Cliff was shoot free throws. The Irish shot 18-for-21 from the charity stripe.

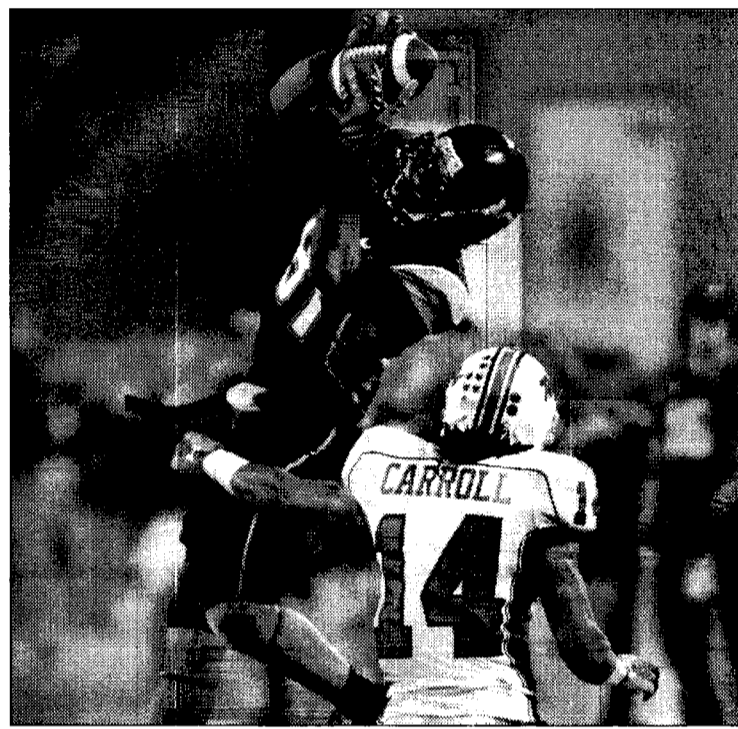
Ryan Ayers led the way with 21 points and five rebounds, while Tory Jackson had 18 points, seven rebounds, seven assists and five steals. McAlarney added 11, while Harangody netted 16 and grabbed 11 rebounds and Luke Zeller had 12 points and six rebounds.

Tipoff is at 2 p.m.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Evans breaks school rushing record in win



Virginia Tech receiver Jarrett Boykin hauls in a reception in the Hokies 23-13 victory over Maryland Thursday.

Associated Press

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Darren Evans and Virginia Tech spent 12 days hearing about an offense that fans blamed for the team's struggles in a wide-open ACC.

They spent Thursday night suggesting the problems are solved and much brighter days are ahead.

Evans ran for a school-record 253 yards and a touchdown and the Hokies played stout defense to continue their Thursday night mastery with a 23-13 victory over No. 23 Maryland.

"We're tired of hearing about our offense not being good," Evans said after his 32-carry, breakout performance. "We just had to show up tonight and that's what we did."

And no one showed up more than Evans, a redshirt freshman who had shown flashes of his potential over the first eight games, but nothing to suggest what he did against the Terps.

"I've never seen him run like that. He was running like a man possessed," said Sean Glennon, who started at quarterback in place of Tyrod Taylor, who has a left ankle sprain. "He was running over people, he was breaking tackles. I think he grew up tonight. He went from being a rookie to a veteran and made my job easy."

And he did it on a stage the

Hokies have come to own.

Virginia Tech (6-3, 3-2) improved to 15-3 on Thursday night and ended a two-game losing streak while remaining one of five teams in the ACC's Coastal Division with two conference losses. The Hokies, Virginia and Miami are a half-game behind Georgia Tech (4-2).

Evans credited his much maligned offensive line with making his job easy by opening holes that he said were "the biggest they've been all year." His runs included bursts of 50 and 45 yards, and several others into the secondary.

After beginning to doubt whether he had a future with the Hokies, "This game has really put my head above the water," he said. "It really showed me that I belong out here."

Evans broke the record of 243 yards set by Mike Imoh in 2004.

He had no bigger fan Thursday than coach Frank Beamer.

"He kind of got in there and got hot and when he got hot, we just kept giving it to him," Beamer said. "There were some holes there and when he got in there, he ran strong."

Maryland (6-3, 3-2) came into the game as the only ACC team with one league loss, but dropped into a tie for the Atlantic Division lead with Florida State and Wake Forest.

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to make sure we're in a great position for each of those matches."

The Irish are led by junior outside hitter Christina Kaelin, who has racked up 286 kills on the year, and Kellie Sciacca, who has 223 kills on the season, good for a .328 hitting percentage. Junior outside hitter Serenity Phillips, recently returned from injury, has posted 201 kills, and posted 25 kills, 10 digs, and nine blocks against the Golden Eagles on Sunday.

Brown said that after the upset loss to Marquette, she didn't change much in her practice routine, and continued to focus on what she had all season.

"Going into that match, we knew of our weakness in terms of the serving, blocking, and defensive side of the game," Brown said. "We haven't been able to hold our opponents to a lower hitting percentage. That has been the concentration even prior to last weekend, and it certainly has continued to be one of our primary focuses this

week."

Notre Dame only has three matches remaining in its Big East schedule, but Brown said that she wasn't trying to crank up the intensity of her team just because their schedule was coming to a close.

"I think the pace of what we've been doing in practice has been good," she said. "But it's not like we're panicking now because the time is less. I think we've been going at a pretty good pace and we're continuing at a pretty good place as well."

Against the Scarlet Knights, Brown said she wanted the team to continue having a consistent attack. Rutgers is led by sophomore outside hitter Caitlin Saxton, who has 188 kills on the season.

"I think we've played best when we've had a balanced offense, so certainly that's important for us," Brown said. "Again, we're working hard at trying to bring the opponent's hitting percentage down. We've worked hard on our block, changing up the defenses a little bit, and in particular stopping the opponent's middle attack."

This match marks the first time in three weeks Notre Dame will have to prepare for only one opponent. In previous weeks,

the Irish have had matches on consecutive days.

"It's always easier when you only have to prepare for one, for sure," Brown said. "I think when we play those weekends back-to-back, the turnaround time from one match to another is short."

Brown said that she planned to use the extra practice time to focus on her team's own problems, as opposed to preparing for an extra opponent.

"Definitely that has helped and I think especially with the weaknesses that we've had," she said. "We've been able to concentrate on our side of the net and the things we can do better."

The match against Rutgers will be Notre Dame's last before a crucial two-game home series against conference leader St. John's and fourth-place Connecticut. Brown said, though, that it was important that her team didn't look past Rutgers.

"Every match in the conference is critical just because there's going to be a big group of teams that have anywhere between three and five losses," she said. "So who you've beaten and your record is going to be very important in terms of advancing to the Big East Tournament and getting the best possible seed."

The Irish will face off against Rutgers Sunday at 2:00 p.m. in Piscataway, N.J.

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"It's not where we'd like to be. But we know that's still within our control. We're doing everything we can to make sure we're in a great position for each of those matches"

Deble Brown
Irish coach

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"Home-field advantage doesn't help you if don't have a lot of fans there," Waldrum said. "Hopefully, the weather cooperates, and we're expecting a great crowd even though it's an earlier game."

The contest will be televised live on CBS College Sports and tickets are free for students.

Marquette is the only team that has led against the Irish this year and Waldrum said he expects this game to be as competitive as Notre Dame's 3-1 win over the Golden Eagles on Oct. 5.

"They're always a very difficult team to play," Waldrum said. "Their head coach, Markus Roeders, always does a good job putting a competitive team on the field."

Roeders has led Marquette to six NCAA Tournament appearances but has just a 1-4 career record against Notre Dame.

Still, Waldrum said this season's Golden Eagles squad is dangerous because of its good balance, especially on the back line.

"They're very athletic and competitive and fast," he said. "And the thing I'd say is they have really good goalkeeping

and a good, strong defense."

Waldrum said that even against Marquette's solid defense, he hopes the Irish can produce enough offense that he can rest senior forward Kerri Hanks. Hanks, Notre Dame's top scorer, injured her knee in a 5-0 win over Cincinnati last Sunday.

"I'd say it's a game-day decision with [Hanks]," he said. "She had a good week of practice and she's doing a lot better but I think I'm inclined to be a little conservative with her. We're gonna try to rest her if we can but if we have to use her, we will."

If Notre Dame gets past Marquette, they might have a chance at revenge against West Virginia, who took down the Irish in penalty kicks in last year's Big East final. The Mountaineers will play Connecticut in the other semifinal at Alumni Field today at 2:30 p.m. But Waldrum said his team cannot afford to overlook the Golden Eagles.

"We've gotta be focused with a team like Marquette coming in," he said. "We can't even afford to guess about the other game. We just need to go out and beat Marquette then worry about the rest of the weekend when we get there."

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hockey history. Notre Dame surprised the No. 1 ranked Eagles with a 7-1 blowout victory in 2006.

The win put Notre Dame on the national map and the Irish went on to hold the No. 1 ranking for nine weeks that season.

"We were highly motivated to prove that we were a program on the rise," Jackson said. "I don't think

that BC respected us that year, it'll be quite a bit different going into Friday night."

Boston College is undefeated on their home ice so far this year with a perfect 4-0 record, the team is 5-1 overall.

Like many Jerry York coached teams, the Eagles are getting it done with offense so far this season. The very quick offense is averaging four goals a game in a tough Hockey East conference.

Senior captain Brock Bradford their attack, with six goals through six games. He had two including an overtime game-winner against Merrimack last Friday.

Bradford along with rest of the BC offense will test Irish goalie Jordan Pearce early and often.

"Pearce is generally good in games where he sees a lot of shots. I expect him to be motivated, he's played pretty for us so far this year but he's only as good as the team in front of him."

Notre Dame (4-3) broke out

of a mini-slump to start the season with a pair of wins over Northern Michigan on the road last weekend. Pearce picked up his fifth career shutout on Friday night.

The Irish have started off with a very strong schedule

with all three of their losses coming to top ten so far this season.

"This is another one of those statement games for us," Jackson said. "Unfortunately our two big statement games have been on the road, but this is a good test for

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Jeff Jackson
Irish coach

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Notre Dame also started the season by playing No. 6 Denver in Colorado.

One bright spot for the team thus far has been the quick start for freshman Billy Maday. Maday has scored three goals including one on the first shot of his career against Denver. He also has notched three assists already.

Maday played junior hockey with Irish sophomore Calle Ridderwall. The two have reunited along with linemate Kevin Deeth and quickly established a good chemistry.

"He's started off about as we expected him to do. It's been good to see him reconnect with Calle," Jackson said.

Notre Dame is also slated to play Providence Saturday night to round out the east coast trip. The Friars (2-4) are not quite as intimidating as Boston College, but should be another good test for the Irish.

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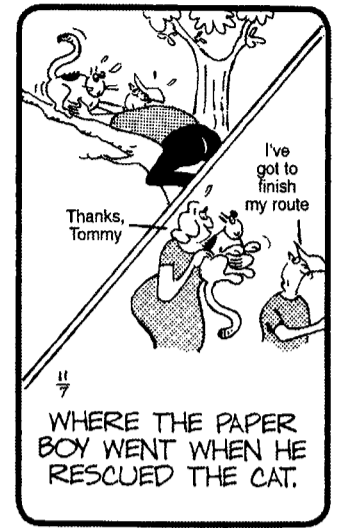
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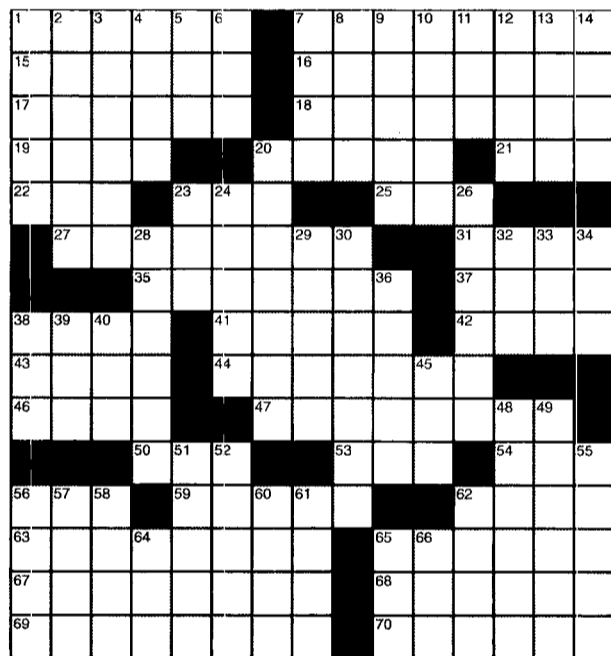


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- ARIES** (March 21-April 19) Try to doze off real quick lest Bovice pays you a visit.
- TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) Shouldn't shucking corn mean something funnier?
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) Your butt smells like your mouth. That's a compliment, trust me.
- CANCER** (June 21-July 22) What do you call a turtle that flies? A shellicopter, of course.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) What would you call it if you could fly? I'd call it a jerkicopter.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) The flappers were pruder than you.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Let's be honest: Obama over McCain wasn't exactly a shocker. Ha, it says shocker in the newspaper.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Pick up the doggone trash, dagnabbit.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Lisa Turtle takes off her girdle.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Jenna Jameson or Ron Jeremy? This one's too easy. Get crazy with it. Text your vote to (617)797-7132.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb 18) If you shake more than twice...it's kind of nice.
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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Hosts of the party

Golden Eagles come into town with hopes of upsetting No. 1 Irish

By FRAN TOLAN
Associate Sports Editor

No. 1 Notre Dame will host a Big East semifinal match against No. 25 Marquette tonight at 5 p.m. The conference final will also be held at Alumni Field, on Sunday against the winner of Friday's West Virginia-Connecticut winner.

The Irish have a perfect record and will have home-field advantage as long as they keep winning. But Irish coach Randy Waldrum knows hosting the Big East tournament does not guarantee victories. He said the team hopes to see a packed crowd Friday to give it an extra boost.

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IAN GAVLICK/The Observer

Sophomore defender Julie Scheidler heads a ball away from a Cincinnati attacker in Notre Dame's 5-0 victory in the Big East semifinals Sunday.

HOCKEY

Icers travel to BC for rematch

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Editor

Rivalry weekend in Boston starts tonight when No. 12 Notre Dame hits the ice to take on No. 2 Boston College in a rematch of last year's national championship game.

The Eagles got the best of Notre Dame when they met in Denver last April, but Irish coach Jeff Jackson said the team has moved on from the loss.

"I mentioned it to the team today. It's really not about that, that's in the past and we have to focus on the present," he said.

The last time the two teams met in Boston was also a memorable game in Irish

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INTERHALL FOOTBALL

Squads gear up for playoffs as chase for the Stadium begins

By ALEX WEST, TIM LANG, SAM WERNER and CHRIS MASSOUD
Sports Writers

St. Edward's vs. Keenan

Second-seeded St. Edward's hopes to avoid an upset Sunday against seventh-seeded Keenan, whose play has steadily improved throughout the season.

After tying with Stanford 6-6 last week, Keenan is excited to be in the seven seed in the play-

offs. "We've started playing a lot stronger since the beginning of the year." Knight captain Bart Dear said.

Dear also thinks his team has momentum going into the playoffs after playing tough with Stanford.

Last week, St. Edward's explosive offense was locked up by Sorin's defense in a 0-0 tie. The Gentlemen think the reason for last week's offensive troubles, in which they gained less than 50

yards of total offense, may have been due to fall break.

"Fall break puts you out of sync a little bit, we're just working on timing, adding a couple of nuances," St. Ed's coach Cameron Hogue said.

Hogue also said that St. Ed's has been trying to develop, "an actual running game."

The Knights hope to keep the Gentlemen's offensive struggling by applying pressure to quarterback Matt Abeling and preventing the big play.

The upset-minded Knights think they can win Sunday with strong play on the offensive and defensive lines. They will also be looking to use their balanced defense to shut down the big plays of the Gentlemen. Hogue said he was expecting "tough defense" from Keenan Sunday.

The game will be played on Riehle Field at 2:00 Sunday.

Siegfried vs. Alumni

On paper, there is no conceivable way the eighth-seeded

Alumni should be able to contend with the top-seeded Siegfried.

In four games this season, the Dawgs have a point differential of minus 24, while the Ramblers have racked up an impressive 65 points on offense to give them a differential of plus 62. Besides a high-octane offense, spearheaded by the three-headed monster of quarterback Max Young, full-back Dex Cure, and running

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VOLLEYBALL

Team looks to bounce back

A victory at Rutgers could erase tough loss

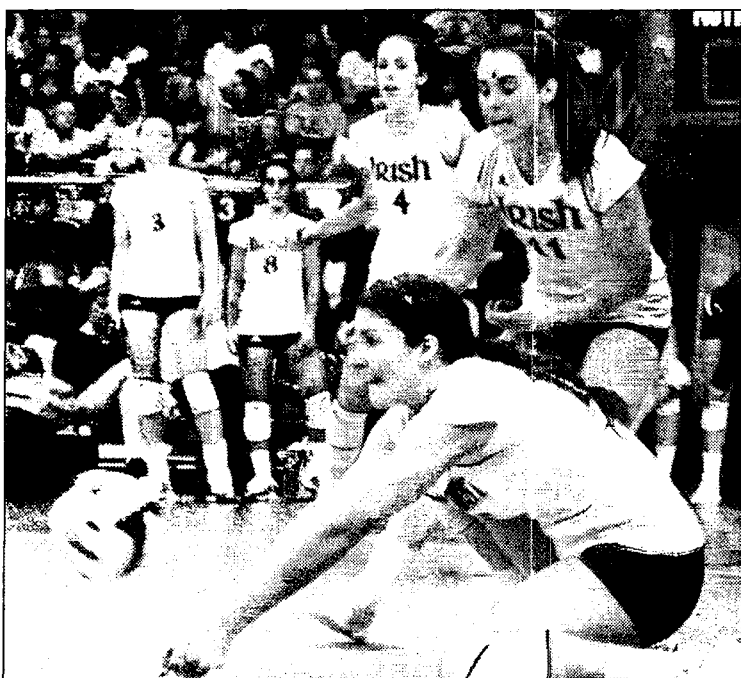
By SAM WERNER
Sports Writer

One week after a disappointing five-set loss to Marquette, the Notre Dame will be back on the court looking to regain some Big East momentum.

A win Sunday against Rutgers (2-18, 1-9 Big East) would be crucial in positioning the Irish higher in the Big East standings. Notre Dame (12-12, 7-4 Big East) currently sits at sixth in the conference, a position that isn't good enough for Irish coach Debbie Brown.

"It's not where we'd like to be," she said. "But we know that's still within our control. We're doing everything we can

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TOM LA/The Observer

Freshman outside hitter Kristen Dealy passes during Sunday's 3-2 loss against Marquette.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Brey picks up fourth commit in class of '09

By CHRIS HINE
Editor-in-Chief

As this year's Notre Dame squad will continue its quest for a national title this weekend, coach Mike Brey and his staff received some help Thursday in reloading for the future in the form of a verbal commitment.

Tom Knight, a 6-foot-9 forward from Dixfield, Maine, gave Brey his commitment late Wednesday night, according to Scout.com.

Knight is the fourth verbal commitment for Notre Dame in the class of 2009. He joins guard Joey Brooks and forwards Jack Cooley and Mike Broghammer. All four will sign their letters-of-intent on Nov. 12.

Knight, Cooley and Broghammer will join the like of forward Luke Harangody, sophomores Tyrone Nash, Carleton Scott and transfer Scott Martin in the front court next year.

Brooks will provide depth in Notre Dame's backcourt, along with transfer Ben Hansbrough, following the graduation of guard Kyle McAlarney this year and Tory Jackson and Jonathan Peoples in 2010.

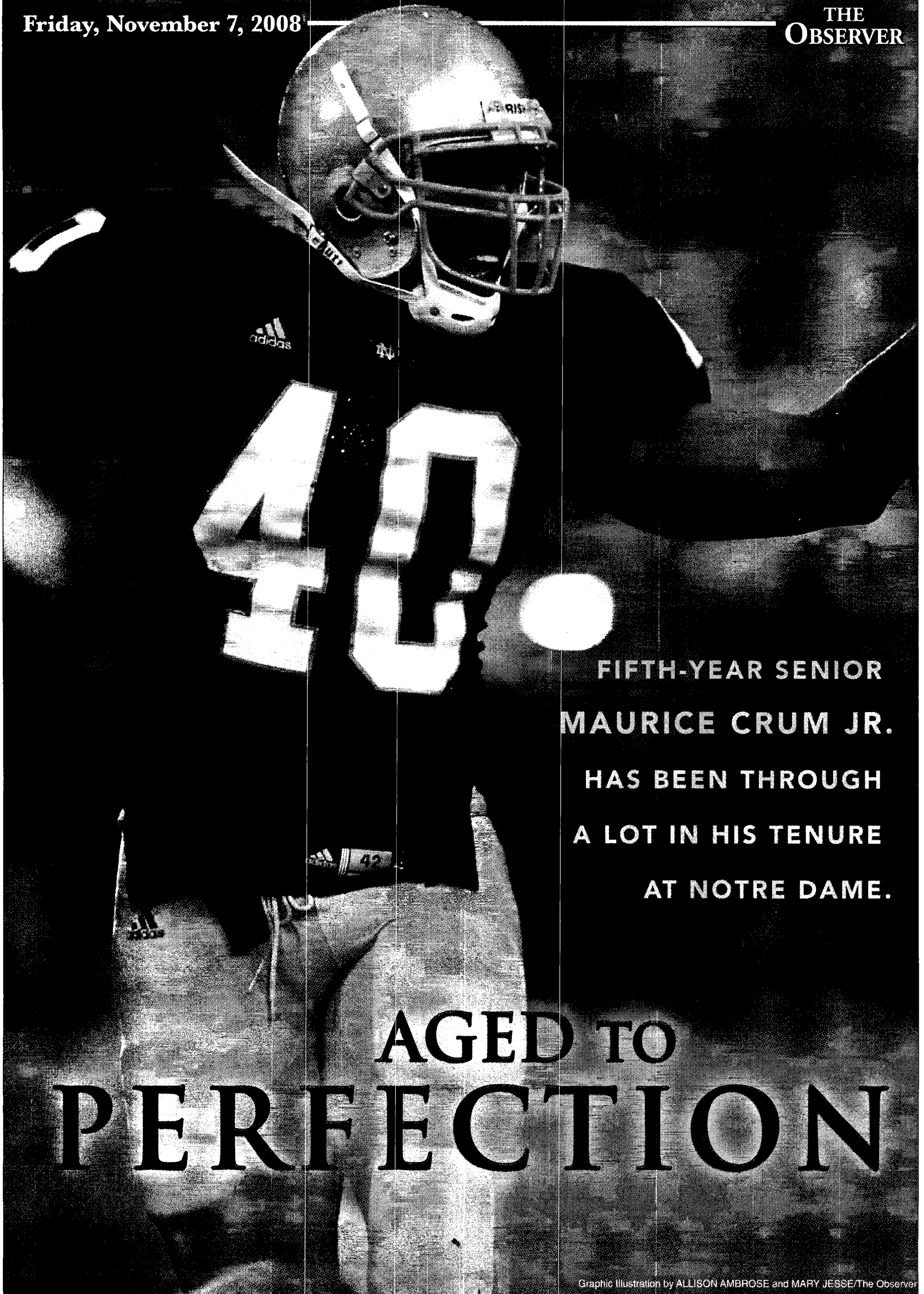
But before the recruits can sign, this year's team will play its second exhibition of the season against Stonehill College Sunday at the Joyce Center. Stonehill is located near Boston and is a member of the Northeast-10 conference.

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FIFTH-YEAR SENIOR
MAURICE CRUM JR.
HAS BEEN THROUGH
A LOT IN HIS TENURE
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COMMENTARY

Don't blame the coaches for losses

Every time Notre Dame loses a football game, Irish fans love to engage in another kind of game that lasts until the following Saturday — the blame game.

And there's nobody fans like to blame more than the coach. That's not just true of Notre Dame, where fans and pundits have critiqued Charlie Weis all week — that's pretty much standard procedure for any sports team at any level.

Team's not doing well? Blame the coach.

Blaming the coach can feel good — it's cathartic because it's an easy way to vent frustration and assign responsibility for something that went wrong.

Blaming the coach can be pretty easy — anyone can sit and say the team should've done this or that after a tough loss.

But blaming the coach, at least in Notre Dame's case, isn't entirely correct.

Last time I checked, Charlie Weis isn't out there blocking on the offensive line.

He isn't throwing or carrying the ball and he isn't out there trying to tackle somebody.

The responsibility for Notre Dame's loss to Pittsburgh does not rest solely with Weis. The players share the brunt of the blame.

Notre Dame was up 17-3 going into the second half and Irish wide receiver Golden Tate suggested that the offense became complacent in the second half. Sure enough, the Panthers clawed their way back into the game.

Who taught the Irish that a 14-point lead was safe? I doubt Weis did. The players should know better than to take their foot off the gas pedal until late in the fourth quarter when

Notre Dame has a comfortable lead. Weis shouldn't have to remind them.

This week, Weis decided to shake things up a little bit so his players got that message. On Monday, the team had 6 a.m. workouts, and I'm sure they received some words of encouragement from Weis.

"The first thing they're going to do is go in and lift and run. Usually that's the area where the camaraderie comes out the best, when they're all pumping iron and running," Weis said Sunday. "It kind of gets things out of their system and gets them moving forward."

And how did that session go? "It might not have been very pleasant," Weis said Tuesday.

"I think that [Monday] morning probably didn't start off too well for the fellas, OK? But by [Monday] afternoon I think things were on track. It wasn't a good start of the day."

But Weis should not have had to do this in the first place.

His players should already have that killer, competitive instinct. They shouldn't have to develop it now that they're in college.

There's only so much that Weis can do. Once the ball is snapped, the game is out of his hands and it's all up to the players.

Yes, the players have to be well-coached to know what to do what the ball is snapped, but that motivation for the defense to tackle the guy in front of them, for the offensive line to out-muscle their man, for the wide receivers to beat their coverage, the running backs to find their holes, and Clausen to hit the open man, that motivation has to come from within. And it needs to start this week.

If that doesn't happen, it won't be long before the players are playing the blame game with each other.

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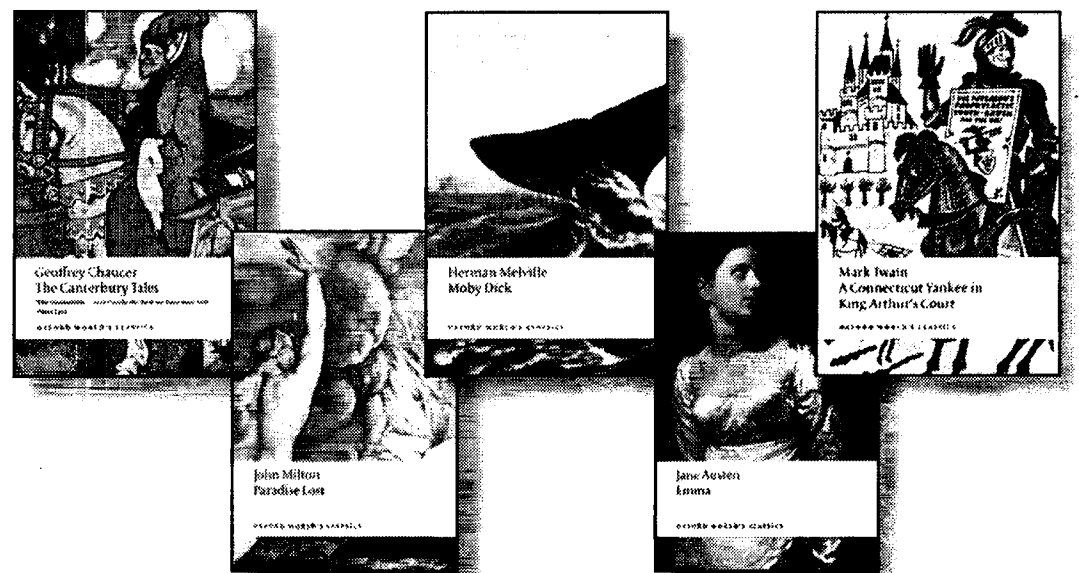
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Charlie Weis
Irish coach

2008 Irish opponents

	Last week	This week
	(1-8) L, 35-10, Wyoming	at BYU
	(2-7) L, 48-42, Purdue	at Minnesota
	(8-2) W, 25-24, Wisconsin	vs. Purdue
	(3-6) W, 48-42, Michigan	at Mich. St.
	(5-4) W, 58-0, Wash. St.	at Oregon
	(6-2) Idle	vs. Georgia Tech
	(0-8) L, 56-0, USC	vs. Arizona St.
	(6-2) W, 36-33, ND	vs. Louisville
	(5-3) L, 27-21, Clemson	vs. Notre Dame
	(6-3) W, 33-27, Temple	Idle
	(2-6) W, 28-21, Louisville	at Rutgers
	(7-1) W, 56-0, UW	vs. California

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Heart of Gold

Maurice Crum Jr. has given all he can over the past five years, on and off the field

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Editor

It takes a pretty good excuse for Irish coach Charlie Weis to allow a player to miss practice. This summer fifth-year senior Maurice Crum Jr. came up with one that was good enough to miss a whole week of workouts.

Crum spent a week in Accra, Ghana bringing much-needed computers and books to a local orphanage.

Crum along with several others from Students Bridging the Information Gap (SBIG) arrived in Africa on June 10 to spend a week at the orphanage and deliver 15 new computers and over 2,000 donated books to the children there. The group also raised enough money to construct a brand new, air-conditioned computer lab to house the new machines.

"The trip was really special," Crum

said. "Having a chance to see someone else's lifestyle and being welcomed into their culture really put my life in perspective."

SBIG was founded by Crum's former teammate Abdel Banda who started the organization after suffering a career-ending injury in his sophomore year. Banda included Crum in the project from the start.

"I got a pretty big heart as far as giving back, so naturally when he first started talking about it, one of the first people that he was talking to about it was me," Crum said.

While in Africa, Crum helped set up the new library and taught some of the 300 chil-

dren living at the orphanage how to use the computers. They also had some time for fun.

"I got to play a soccer game with the kids. They were younger kids, but they killed us," he said. "Next time I go back, I think I'll bring a football."

The program intends to visit and donate to a different orphanage in Africa each year. Crum said he plans to attend and do as much as he can to help out.

Playing soccer with the kids inspired Crum to want to start his own charity called Cleats for Kids to distribute cleats throughout the continent. He is currently in a graduate class that teaches the ins and outs of getting help from the United Nations. Crum said that he plans on doing work to set it up once the football season slows down.

In the meantime, Crum has a few things to keep him busy on the field.

This Saturday against Boston College, Crum has a chance to crack the Irish record books. He is currently five tackles away from joining the top 10 tacklers in Notre Dame history. Crum is third on the team this season with 49 tackles through eight games, bringing his career total to 290.

"That is stuff you dream about. I've been in the right place a bunch of times to make a bunch of tackles," Crum said.

He is also only 10 tackles away from passing former safety Tom Zbikowski for eighth place all-time. Bob Crable, who played in the late 1970s, has a safe hold on the

No. 1 spot with 521 career tackles.

"Leaving my mark on this place is something special and something that at least I'll be in the books for something," he said.

Ironman

Crum already holds an impressive spot in the books with the longest games played and games started streaks in the program's rich history. Crum was red-shirted his freshman season, since then he has played in every single game for the past four years.

"I feel like my greatest attribute is my toughness," Crum said. "If I can help the team and be effective, I'm going to play."

Crum has also started 44 of those 45 including 43 in a row to start his career. Crum's one miss was two weeks ago against the Huskies in Washington. Crum sat out the first play because of the formation Washington opened the game with.

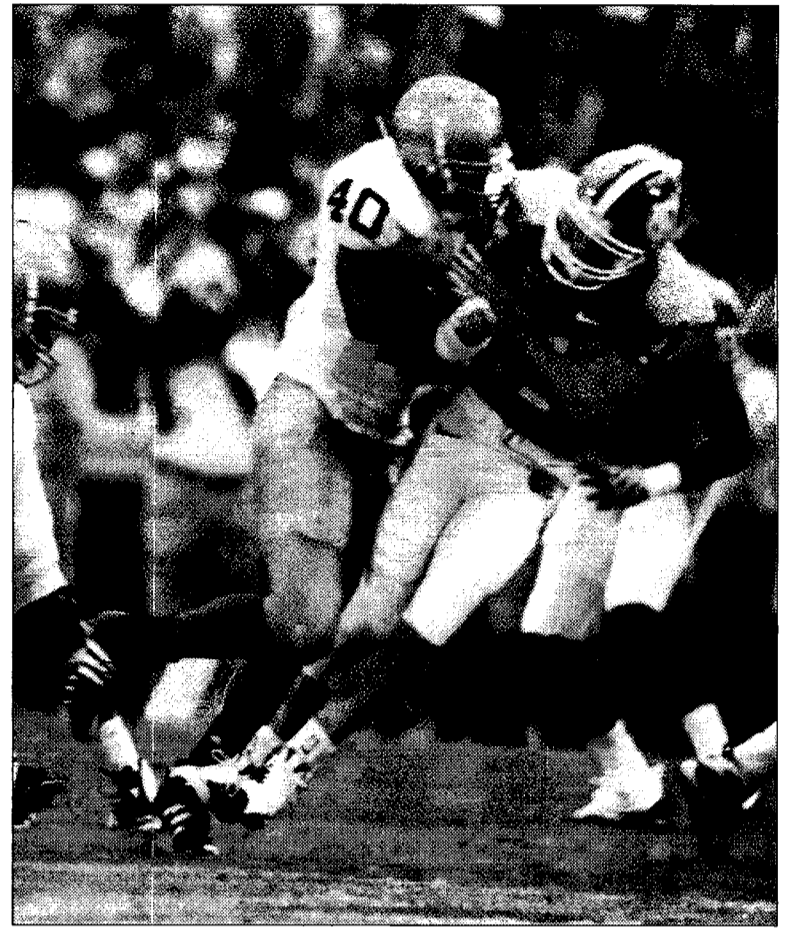
And he has never missed a game due to injury.

"It has a lot to do with will power. You're going to get beat up, but for me the greatest cure for pain is for the next play to occur," he said. "As long as you are out on that field and the adrenaline is pumping, nothing else really matters."

Crum needed all the adrenaline he could muster during his sophomore season when he played the majority of the season with a back injury. Crum said that he frequently had back spasms throughout the season, but didn't want to get the necessary surgery until the season had ended.

"Needless to say, it hurt, but my will power and my desire to help the team kept me on the field," he said.

The back hasn't been a problem since his surgery, but there are plenty of other bumps and bruises that a mid-



VANESSA GEMPIS/The Observer

Irish fifth-year senior middle linebacker Maurice Crum Jr. makes a hit during Notre Dame's 29-24 loss to North Carolina on Oct. 11.

dle linebacker picks up during games.

"Bruised legs, turf toe, you know, just the regular kind of football stuff."

Crum said that a big part of his will to play through injuries comes because he wants to set a good example for whomever may be watching.

"I don't know who's watching me or who wants to be like me and I don't want them to get the wrong idea. There's a difference between being hurt and being injured."

Leading the way

Crum is very conscious of his role as a leader of the Irish team. He is one of only 17 players to be named captain twice. He was the only captain who was not a fifth-year senior and this year he was a shoe-in for the spot along with offensive captain David Grimes and special teams captain David Bruton.

"Being a leader of a team means that you have to be whatever your teams needs you to be," Crum said.

Crum said that in a season full of many highs and lows, his job has changed on a weekly, or even daily basis. As middle linebacker and the oldest player in a young defense, Crum has had to be a rock for his team on and off the field this season.

Crum attributes most of his leadership skills to his father, Maurice Crum, Sr. who was a linebacker at the University of Miami.

"My dad has always been a very important factor in my life. Him being around and knowing the game, it helps," Crum said.

Crum said that he was forced into being a veteran

player pretty quickly with such a young team. He did get the chance to watch players like Brandon Hoyte and Corey Mays, which helped him learn how to work well together.

"They all had a role, one was the hammer one provided the energy. I had a different group of guys to study and take their skills and apply them to my own play," he said.

Crum couldn't define a specific role for himself because he has had to wear about every hat there is in the past four years for his team.

All of his hard work has certainly paid off. The entire nation is starting to recognize Crum's work on and off the field. He is currently a finalist for the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award, which is given

to a senior from each sport every year for their leadership on the field, in the classroom and in the community.

Crum graduated from Notre Dame last May with a degree in Sociology and enrolled in graduate school after the University approved him for a fifth year on the field.

Crum attributes the praise of that award to his family.

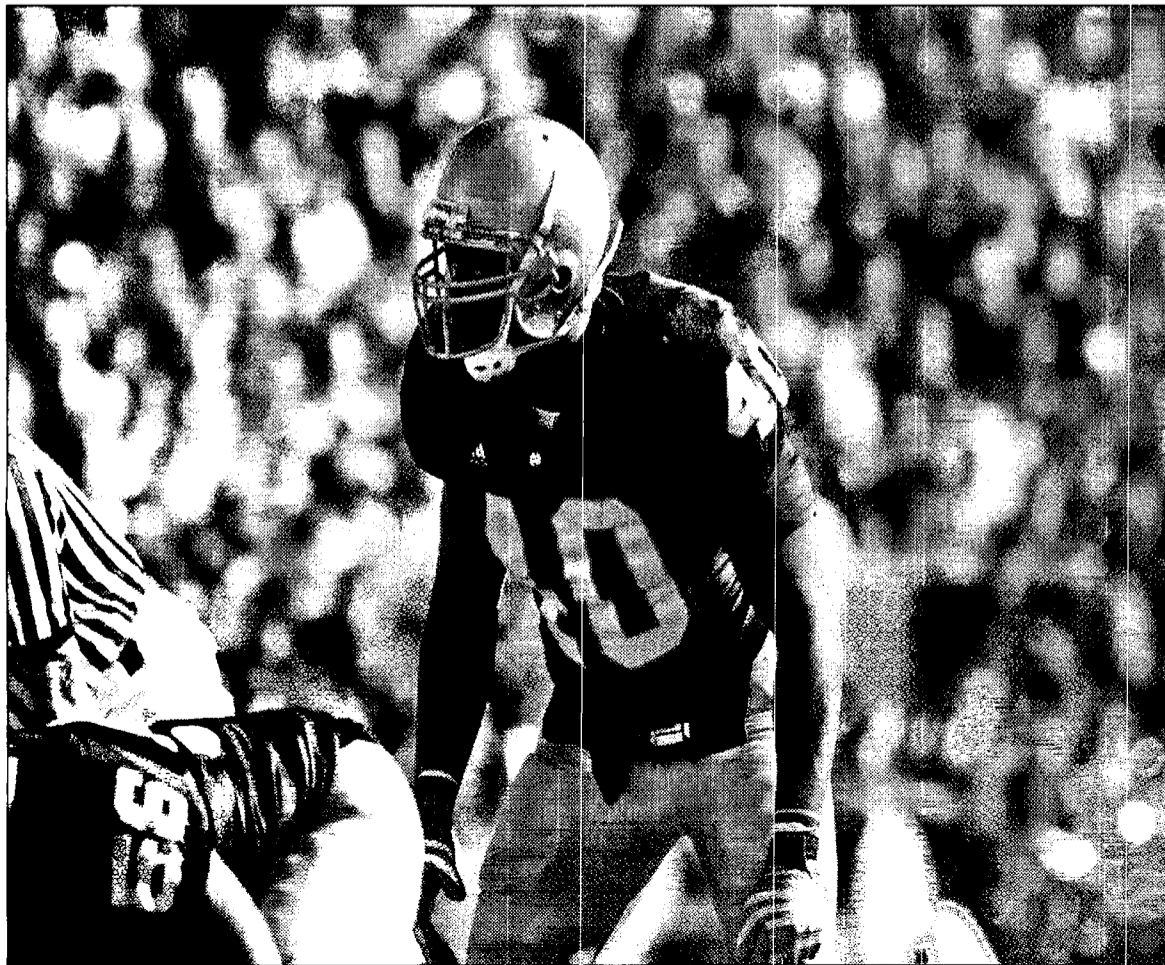
"The way that raised me and teaching me values, teaching me to be that well-rounded guy. [The award] is just a result of my upbringing," Crum said.

The winner of the award is based on nation wide fan voting and will be decided on Dec. 10.

Between a degree from Notre Dame, a place in the Irish record books and annual trips to African orphanages Crum certainly has the résumé to win.

"Having a chance to see someone else's lifestyle and being welcomed into their culture really put my life in perspective."

**Maurice Crum Jr.
Irish linebacker**



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Irish fifth-year senior middle linebacker Maurice Crum Jr. prepares for a play during Notre Dame's 28-21 win over Stanford on Oct. 4. Crum had four tackles in the game.

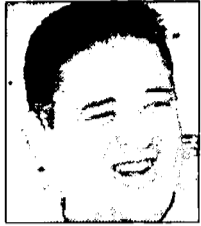
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Charlie Weis
head coach

Charlie Weis
Fourth season at Notre Dame
career record: 27-18
against Boston College: 0-1

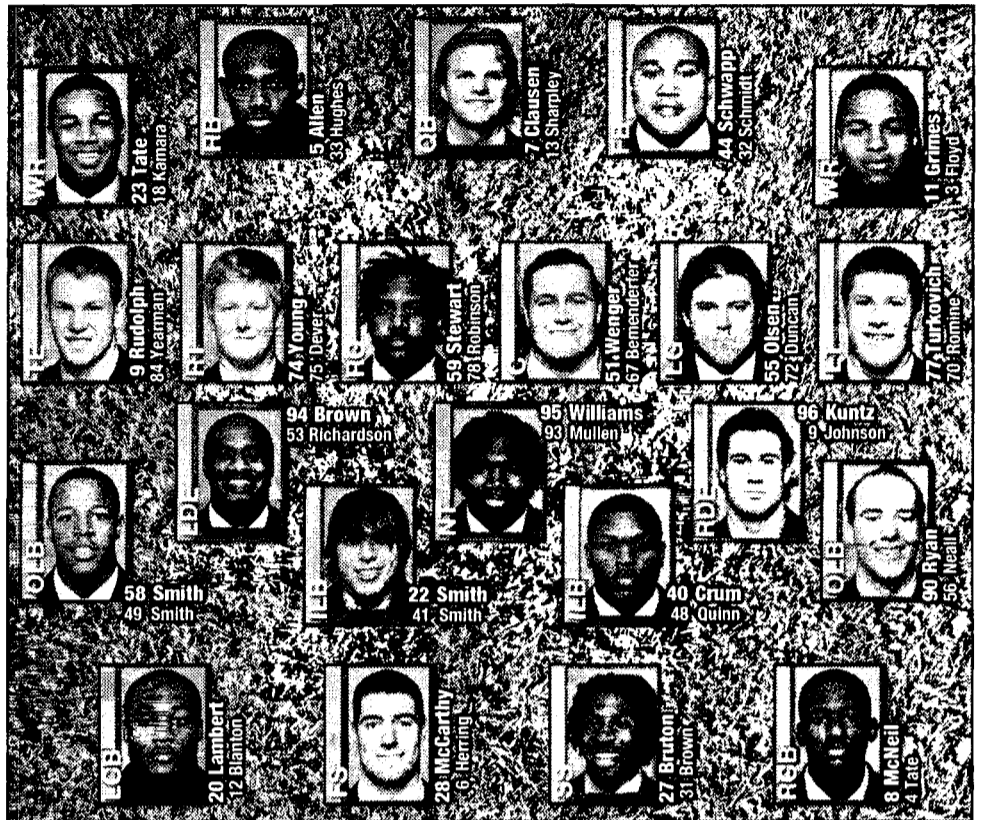
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1	Deion Walker	WR	6-2	188	FR
3	Michael Floyd	WR	6-3	215	FR
4	Gary Gray	DB	5-11	188	SO
5	Armando Allen	RB	5-10	195	SO
6	Ray Herring	DB	5-10	198	SR
7	Jimmy Clausen	QB	6-3	217	SO
8	Raeshon McNeil	DB	6-0	190	JR
9	Ethan Johnson	DE	6-4	275	FR
9	Kyle Rudolph	TE	6-6	252	FR
10	Dayne Crist	QB	6-4	233	FR
11	David Grimes	WR	5-10	177	SR
12	Nick Lezynski	QB	5-8	157	SO
12	Robert Blanton	DB	6-1	180	FR
13	Evan Sharpley	QB	6-2	215	SR
14	Brandon Walker	K	6-3	202	SO
15	Brian Castello	QB	6-2	191	SO
15	Dan McCarthy	DB	6-2	200	FR
16	Nate Montana	QB	6-4	200	FR
18	Duval Kamara	WR	6-5	219	SO
19	George West Jr.	WR	5-10	196	JR
20	Terrail Lambert	DB	5-11	195	SR
21	Harry Gallup Jr.	RB	5-11	200	JR
22	Harrison Smith	DB	6-2	206	SO
23	Golden Tate	WR	5-11	195	SO
24	Leonard Gordon	DB	5-11	187	JR
24	Brian Coughlin	WR	6-0	172	JR
25	Jonas Gray	RB	5-10	230	FR
26	Jamoris Slaughter	DB	6-0	182	FR
27	David Bruton	DB	6-2	212	SR
28	Kyle McCarthy	DB	6-1	203	SR
29	Jashaad Gaines	DB	6-0	202	JR
29	Michael Garcia	WR	6-1	178	SO
30	Steve Paskorz	FB	6-2	235	SO
31	Sergio Brown	DB	6-2	205	JR
32	Luke Schmidt	TE	6-3	246	JR
33	Robert Hughes	RB	5-11	237	SO
34	James Aldridge	RB	6-0	225	JR
35	Kevin Smith	LB	5-8	200	SR
35	Kevin Brooks	TE	6-2	241	JR
36	Joe Bizjak	K	6-2	165	JR
36	David Postluszny	LB	6-0	220	FR
37	Mike Anello	DB	5-10	170	SR
37	Fras Noel	RB	5-8	190	NO
38	Chris Bathon	DB	5-10	192	JR
38	Christopher Curries	WR	5-10	181	SO
39	Ryan Burkhardt	K	5-11	190	JR
40	Maurice Crum Jr.	LB	6-0	235	SR
41	Scott Smith	LB	6-3	235	SR
41	Nikolas Rodriguez	RB	5-11	205	SR
42	Kevin Washington	LB	6-1	250	SR
42	Dan Franco	WR	5-10	188	JR
43	John Leonis	DB	5-9	169	SR
43	Eric Maust	P	6-2	177	JR
44	Asaph Schwapp	FB	6-0	257	SR
45	Darius Fleming	LB	6-1	236	FR
45	Kris Patterson	WR	5-11	185	SR
46	Steve Filer	LB	6-3	236	FR
47	Joe Vittoria	LB	5-11	44	JR
47	Mike Narvaez	FB	5-11	231	JR
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49	Toryan Smith	LB	6-1	244	JR
51	Dan Wenger	C	6-4	302	JR
52	Braxton Cave	C	6-3	315	FR
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61	Martin Quintana	LB	6-1	242	JR
62	Bill Flavin	C	6-3	252	SO
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81	John Goodman	WR	6-3	197	FR
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91	Emeka Nwankwo	DE	6-4	295	SO
93	Paddy Mullen	NT	6-3	300	JR
94	Justin Brown	DE	6-3	277	SR
95	Ian Williams	NT	6-2	310	SO
96	Pat Kuntz	DE	6-3	283	SR
97	Kallen Wade	LB	6-5	255	JR
98	Sean Cwynar	DE	6-4	283	FR

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Notre Dame 2008 Schedule

Sept. 6	SDSU — W
Sept. 13	MICH — W
Sept. 20	at MSU — L
Sept. 27	PURDUE — W
Oct. 4	STANFORD — W
Oct. 11	at UNC — L
Oct. 25	at WASH — W
Nov. 1	PITT — L
Nov. 8	at BC
Nov. 15	NAVY
Nov. 22	SYRACUSE
Nov. 29	at USC



COACHING

QUARTERBACKS

IRISH RUSHING

IRISH PASSING

NOTRE DAME

Charlie Weis and his staff have taken a lot of heat in the past week for play-calling choices and the inability to pull out a big game. Weis changed the team's practice schedule this week; it will be interesting to see how they respond.

Clausen continues to be a major threat to opposing defenses. He threw more than 40 passes against Pitt without an interception. He is still far from perfect, but he provides his team with a chance to score every time he touches the field.

The three-headed backfield has established a little more consistency as each back settles into his own role. They still aren't the dominant force on the ground that was promised in August.

Floyd and Tate are good for a few highlight reel plays every Saturday. On the road, the Irish will try to set the pace by throwing the home-run pass early and if Clausen can find time to throw he should have some success.

BOSTON COLLEGE

Jeff Jagodzinski set an ACC record last year by winning 12 games in his debut season. Jags has the Eagles defense playing as good as they have in a long time. He still needs some time to prove himself as a recruiter.

Chris Crane had big shoes to fill when Matty Ice left town for Atlanta. He has held his own in a run-oriented offense, but eight touchdowns and 12 interception thus far leave some doubts.

Boston College ranks in the top 25 in rush defense allowing only 106 yards per game to opponents. The only back to rush for more than 65 yards against the Eagles is Georgia Tech's Jonathan Dwyer — he had 109.

The Eagles front line picks up almost three sacks a game and will definitely come after Clausen. The pressure has kept teams from racking up passing yards in Boston, they are also ranked in the top 25 in pass defense.

ANALYSIS

The way the Eagles defend the run means Jagodzinski has a good handle on his team. With the home crowd on his side, he'll have the Eagles playing up to their full potential.

Crane may be a senior, but Clausen holds an experience factor in this matchup. The Irish sophomore has seen more defenses and throws a better ball.

The Irish were already fighting an uphill battle. Without Chris Stewart the line will be able to rotate less and get tired as the game goes on. Don't expect too many late runs from the Irish.

The Eagles are going to beat through the air, but Clausen has seen about everything a college defense can throw at him. The Irish will most likely look to the pass to establish a rhythm and should find some success throwing the ball.



Bill Brink
Sports Editor

Notre Dame doesn't have the confidence right now to beat a good opponent on the road. Between Stewart's absence and BC's tough run defense, The Irish run game won't move the ball. The Eagles' two-back tandem averages 4.2 yards per carry and Notre Dame has trouble stopping the run. Boston College has won five straight against the Irish, and this team isn't the one to break the streak.

FINAL SCORE: Boston College 34 Notre Dame 21



Jay Fitzpatrick
Managing Editor

Notre Dame has a lot to play for this week. A bowl game, a rivalry and most importantly, respect. The Irish have blown halftime leads in two losses this season, and Weis will not let that happen again. The offense jumps on BC early and does not let up throughout the game. Throw in a swarming defense and a much-improved special teams, and this is a big win for Notre Dame.

FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 48 Boston College 21

Irish experts

HEAD

Boston College Eagles

Boston College

Eagles

Record: 5-3

AP: NR

Coaches: NR

Jeff Jagodzinski
Second season at
Boston College
career record:

17-6
against
Notre Dame:
1-0



Jeff Jagodzinski
head coach

Boston College 2008 Schedule

Aug. 30 at KENT ST. — W
Sept. 6 GA. TECH — L
Sept. 20 UCF — W
Sept. 27 URI — W
Oct. 4 at NC ST. — W
Oct. 18 VA. TECH — W
Oct. 25 at UNC — L
Nov. 1 CLEMSON — L
Nov. 8 NOTRE DAME
Nov. 15 at FLORIDA ST.
Nov. 22 at WF
Nov. 29 MARYLAND

Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht	Wt.	YR
1	Josh Haden	RB	5-8	182	FR
2	Brandon Robinson	WR	5-10	198	SR
3	Ifeanyi Momah	WR	6-6	225	SO
4	Donnie Fletcher	CB	6-1	186	FR
5	Ryan Lindsey	WR	5-8	165	SO
6	Jeff Smith	RB	5-9	198	JR
7	Justin Tuggle	QB	6-3	208	FR
7	Kevin Akins	LB	6-2	224	SR
8	Marcellus Bowman	FS	5-11	217	JR
9	DeLeon Gause	CB	5-11	174	SO
10	Chris Crane	QB	6-4	239	SR
11	Clarence Megwa	WR	6-1	216	JR
13	Codi Book	QB	6-3	221	SO
14	Alexander Atyeh	QB	6-5	225	FR
14	Billy Flutie	WR	6-2	186	SO
15	Dominique Davis	QB	6-4	198	FR
16	Brian Toal	LB	6-0	238	SR
17	Chris Johnson	QB	6-2	215	FR
18	Rich Gunnell	WR	5-11	196	JR
19	Nick Loury	QB	6-0	220	FR
19	Paul Anderson	SS	6-1	211	SR
20	Roderick Rollins	CB	6-0	188	JR
21	John Lowell	QB	6-4	195	SO
21	Razzie Smith	CB	5-10	177	JR
23	Hampton Hughes	DB	6-3	200	FR
23	Billy Bennett	PK	6-1	204	SO
24	Dan Mulrooney	RB	6-1	201	SO
25	John Hovsepian	WR	6-3	192	SR
25	Chris Fox	SS	5-11	201	SO
26	Kurtis Magee	DB	5-10	182	CS
27	Okechukwu Okoroa	DB	6-1	192	FR
28	Ugo Okpara	CB	6-1	163	FR
29	Dominick LeGrande	SS	6-2	200	FR
30	Donte Elliott	S	6-0	178	FR
32	Chris Hayden-Martin	CB	6-1	190	FR
33	Dan Williams	LB	6-2	239	FR
34	Mike McLaughlin	LB	6-0	252	JR
35	Robert Francois	LB	6-2	253	SR
36	Kevin Distaso	LB	6-1	222	JR
36	James McCluskey	FB	6-2	246	SO
37	Jarick Walker	LB	6-0	213	SO
38	Mark Maglio	CB	5-9	176	JR
39	Darius Bagan	LB	6-2	223	SO
40	Jerry Kelly	RB	6-0	238	FR
41	Montel Harris	RB	5-10	192	FR
42	Isaac Johnson	CB	6-0	179	FR
43	Michael Dell'Aquila	DB	5-11	188	SO
43	Gerald Levano	P/K	6-2	185	FR
44	Alexander DiSanzo	LB	6-3	222	FR
45	Wes Davis	FS	6-1	215	SO
46	Ryan Quigley	P	6-3	180	FR
47	Brad Newman	DE	6-2	250	SO
48	Stephen Atkinson	DB	6-1	186	FR
49	Gavin Lamb	TE	6-5	240	FR
49	Garrett Seeger	LB	6-0	213	SR
50	Will Thompson	LB	6-1	235	FR
51	Corey Phelps	LB	6-3	234	JR
51	Jack Geiser	LS	6-2	250	JR
52	Austin Giles	DE	6-3	283	JR
53	Greg Abilheira	PK	5-10	165	SO
53	Mike Morrissey	LB	6-2	210	SO
54	Nick Clancy	LB	6-3	217	FR
55	Damik Scafe	DT	6-3	293	SO
56	Max Holloway	DE	6-2	241	FR
57	Sean Flaherty	LS	6-2	220	FR
58	Bill Ferguson	DE	6-2	215	JR
58	Jason Stewart	LS	6-0	189	SR
59	John Chisholm	LB	6-2	207	SO
60	Ron Brace	DT	6-3	324	SR
62	Bryan Murphy	C	6-3	285	SR
64	Nick Rossi	OG	6-6	290	JR
65	Matt Tennant	C	6-4	294	JR
66	Rich Lapham	OT	6-8	322	SO
69	Mark Spinney	C	6-4	287	FR
70	John Elliott	OG	6-4	283	FR
71	Nick Halloran	OG	6-6	265	FR
72	Mike Goodman, Jr.	OL	6-6	328	FR
73	Clif Ramsey	OG	6-6	311	SR
74	Anthony Costanzo	OT	6-7	287	SO
75	Nathan Richman	OT	6-6	284	FR
76	Patrick Sheil	OT	6-6	273	JR
77	Emmett Cleary	OT	6-7	267	FR
78	Thomas Claiborne	OG	6-3	323	SO
80	Ryan Purvis	TE	6-4	260	SR
81	Chris Pantale	TE	6-5	238	FR
82	Justin Jarvis	WR	6-5	196	JR
83	Steve Aponavicius	PK	5-10	198	SR
84	Michael Stone	TE	6-6	242	FR
85	Clyde Lee	WR	6-0	178	FR
86	Jim Ramella	DE	6-4	243	JR
87	Lars Anderson	TE	6-3	248	FR
88	Jordon McMichael	TE	6-5	262	SO
89	Colin Larmond, Jr.	WR	6-3	196	FR
90	B.J. Raji	DT	6-1	323	SR
91	Christian Klein	DE	6-3	240	FR
92	Allan Smith	DE	6-2	232	JR
93	Bryan Murray	DT	6-2	292	FR
94	Mark Herzlich	LB	6-4	238	JR
95	Brendan Deska	DE	6-5	241	JR
96	Kaleb Ramsey	DT	6-3	256	FR
98	Alex Albright	DE	6-5	245	JR
99	Jerry Willette	DT	6-5	281	SR

NOTRE DAME

BOSTON COLLEGE

ANALYSIS

EAGLES RUSHING

Notre Dame has shown that they are vulnerable to big game backs. McCoy rushed for 181 last week, but that was on 40-plus carries. To run the ball effectively against the Irish, it takes a dedicated attack.

EAGLES PASSING

Raeshon McNeil and David Bruton both had interceptions last week. The secondary continues to be the strong point of the Irish defense by making big plays and allowing very few of them.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Prior to the fourth OT, Walker hit seven straight field goals in three games. Whatever was holding him back before is gone. The coverage teams continue to be among the nation's best, but the Irish still haven't made a big play in the return game.

INTANGIBLES

The whole world knows Notre Dame needs to validate its season with a big game, as if the last scheduled game with rival Boston College isn't enough motivation. Irish fans will travel well to Boston, but don't expect too many to be in the stadium.

Boston College uses Harris and Haden pretty evenly and their big, beefy line gives them plenty of room. Crane is also a threat to run the ball from under center and has picked up 230 yards on the ground this year.

Crane has a couple of very tall targets to throw to on the outside that could cause problems much like Pitt's Baldwin did last week. But Crane is averaging 1.5 interceptions per game through the team's first eight games.

Speedy Jeff Smith leads the Eagles with almost 500 returns yards so far this season. Former walk-on placekicker Steve Aponavicius is 7-for-12 in field goal attempts.

With a win on Saturday the Eagles will move the all-time series to 9-9 between the two teams. The Eagles are coming off of two tough losses of their own and need to prove themselves on their home turf.

Notre Dame has been worn down by big backs in the past. A steady diet of a few different runners should allow Boston College to gain an edge on the ground.

Last year this category went to Boston College without an argument. This time around, a matured defense and fresh quarterback make it likely that the Irish secondary will make some big plays to give Notre Dame a chance to win Saturday.

Field goals kept Notre Dame in the game against Pittsburgh. The coverage teams should be able to stifle the Eagle returns and help to give the Irish a much needed advantage in field position.

The closely-matched teams and heated rivalry should create a game to be remembered for a while. Both teams are playing for a bid bowl as well. This one is so even that home field advantage gives the Eagles the final push.



Chris Hine
Editor-in-Chief

Notre Dame learned a lot about itself last week against Pittsburgh and it will help them this Saturday. Boston College will keep this one close, but the Irish should pull it out in the end. They won't let another one slip

away.
FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 27
Boston College 24



Dan Murphy
Sports Editor

As much as it kills me to say it, it doesn't look good for the Irish in Boston this weekend. The Eagles are coming off two close losses, as if playing Notre Dame wasn't enough motivation. The stats once again paint a pretty even picture which should

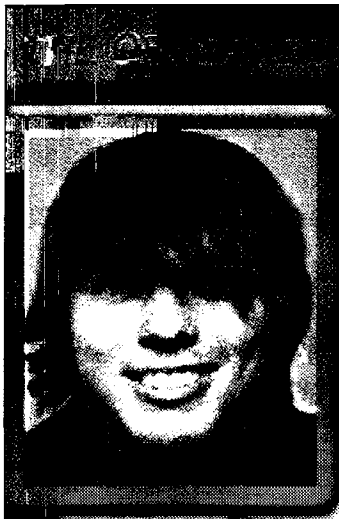
make for a close game. This one will be close, but Boston College will pull away late in the game with a few big plays in the fourth quarter.
FINAL SCORE: Boston College 34
Notre Dame 22

Irish
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Crunching the numbers

2008 SEASON AVERAGES PER GAME

BC points scored	PITT	28.7
ND points scored	ND	26.6
BC points allowed	PITT	26.1
ND points allowed	ND	18.7
BC rush yards	PITT	162.7
ND rush yards	ND	122.7
BC rushing allowed	PITT	122.0
ND rushing allowed	ND	120.6
PITT pass yards	PITT	233.0
ND pass yards	ND	262.6
BC passing allowed	PITT	187.1
ND passing allowed	ND	212.3



HARRISON SMITH #22
LB 6'2" 206 LB.
HOMETOWN: KNOXVILLE, TN

What's your favorite place in South Bend?

Moe's Southwest Grill. Everybody likes Chipotle up here, but Moe's is where we went in high school. There were a ton of them, we went there a lot.

What's your favorite dish in the dining hall?

I used to like the broccoli a lot but I haven't been a fan of it lately. I like it when they have lasagna, and pretty much any type of cereal.

What's your favorite meal back home?

I like my mom's chicken enchiladas a lot. And any time she makes sweet potatoes.

What's your toughest class?

Accounting I. It's by far my toughest class.

What's your favorite play you've made or seen?

My favorite play I've seen wasn't when I was here, I was a senior in high school. It was against UCLA, we scored right at the end. Samardjiza caught a touchdown. The game wasn't over yet, and Pat Kuntz ran out on the field and just jumped on the pile. When you run off the sideline when you're not in the game and the game's not over yet, that's a pretty bold move.

What's your favorite class you've taken so far?

Anthropology. It's cool to learn about all the different cultures.

What's your biggest pet peeve?

When you're walking around campus towards either a bike or someone walking. And you step to one side, and then they step to that side. And you just keep going back and forth. That really gets on my nerves throughout the day.

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Neal adapts to hybrid defensive position

By **BILL BRINK**
Sports Editor

Kerry Neal wants to be the best defensive end-linebacker hybrid player there is.

What exactly does that mean? "Having offensive linemen fear me," he said.

Neal, a sophomore linebacker, plays an interesting role in Notre Dame's 3-4 defense. He usually lines up with his hand on the ground as a lineman, although occasionally he'll drop back into pass coverage.

"You're a linebacker but you're working out with the linemen in practice," he said. "It's back and fourth. You're down there with the linemen pretty much."

But back to being feared. Neal wants to intimidate opposing offenses.

"Just being a dominant player, the most disruptive player," he said. "Having linemen jump offsides because of my speed and stuff like that."

He's got the athleticism to do it.

"He's very athletic and he has not played a lot," Irish defensive coordinator Corwin Brown said. "This is his second year playing, so you would like to think he has a lot of room to grow still because of his athleticism."

Neal has steadily grown since high school, when he once played safety as a 170-pound freshman. Now, he said he's up around 250.

Neal has five tackles this season, three of them for a loss. He also has an interception and a sack. He said he's still learning the game, but that he feels much more comfortable. Freshman year, he said, he sometimes didn't know his role on the field. The additional playing time, he said, helped him learn his position.

"I think the game is really coming to me," he said. "I have to just keep working hard. It helped a lot. I'm not nervous anymore out there. I feel like I'm supposed to be out there."

To continue to improve, he said, he pays great attention to his coaches and watches a good deal of tape.

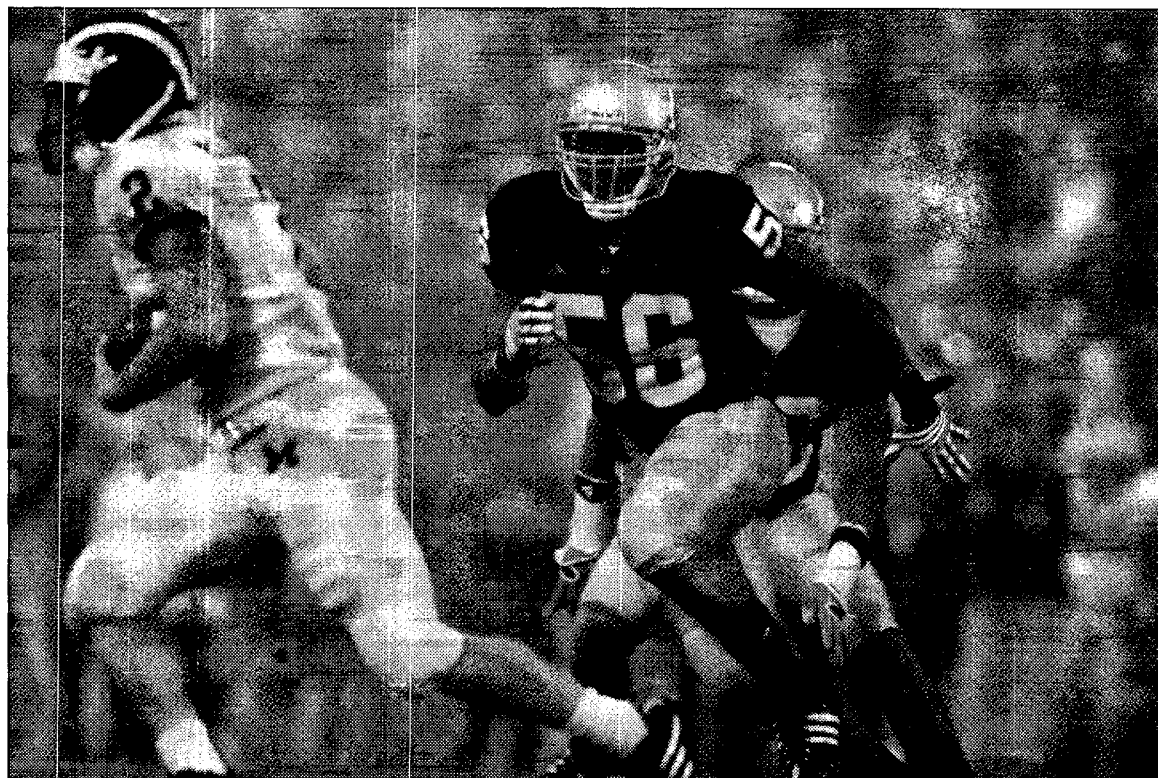
"Staying constantly in the film room," he said. "Learning the game, learning the calls, learning the defense."

"Instead of just being out there on third-and-long, that type of situation, now I can go out there and stop the run."

Limiting Boston College's two-back ground game will challenge the Irish defense. At his position, Neal said, the best way to limit the run is to follow his procedures based on the defensive play called.

"I think the game is really coming to me. I have to just keep working hard."

Kerry Neal
Irish linebacker



ALLISON AMBROSE/The Observer

Irish sophomore linebacker Kerry Neal chases Wolverines tailback Sam McGuffie during Notre Dame's 35-17 win over Michigan on Sept. 13. Neal's position is a hybrid between defensive end and linebacker.

"If I got a gap I need to be in, be in that gap," he said. "If I have a play coming my way, make that play."

Brown said successful defensive players have that ability to make plays, whether or not the odds are in their favor.

"I would just like for all of our players on defense, when you have a chance to make plays, you make them," Brown said. "And if you're in an area to make a special play or a 'big'

play, then you make them. Sometimes that's unrealistic because the other guys will win too."

Neal and the rest of the defense have an additional challenge ahead of them in Chestnut Hill, Mass. Eagles quarterback Chris Crane can run the ball if need be, which the defense will have to take into account.

"You just got to be aware. If we have good coverage on him,

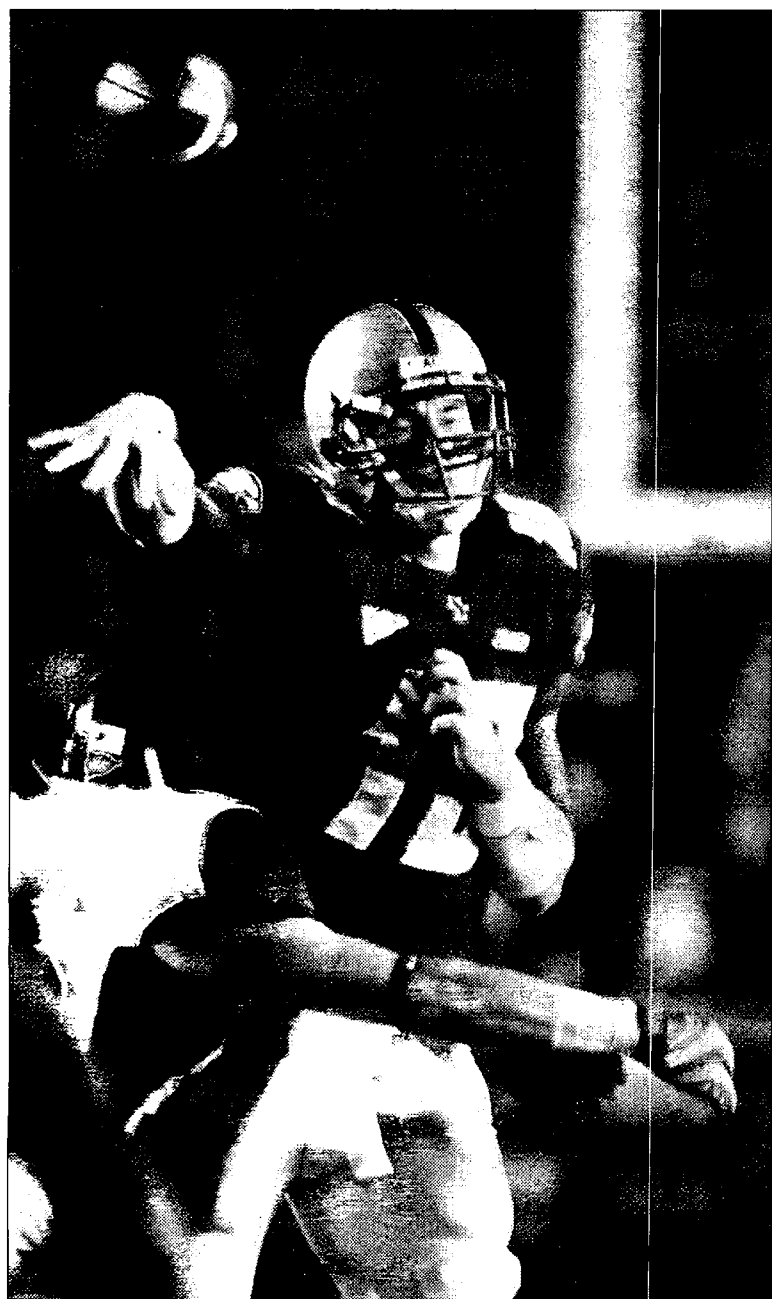
he's going to take off," Neal said.

Neal's learning process is nowhere near complete. He can't estimate himself how far he can go, but Brown said his future looks bright.

"He's still learning the college game," Brown said. "He'll get better. He'll definitely get better."

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Mobile quarterback and full backfield will challenge Irish



Eagles senior quarterback Chris Crane throws a pass during Boston College's 28-23 win over Virginia Tech on Oct. 18.

By **JAY FITZPATRICK**
Managing Editor

When Notre Dame played Boston College last season, the Eagles were the No. 4 team in the country. They would move to No. 2 the following week behind Heisman Trophy candidate Matt Ryan at quarterback.

On the other sideline, the Irish were winless and replaced then-true freshman Jimmy Clausen with Evan Sharpley during the game.

But the important part about this Saturday's rematch is that neither team is the same as last year's versions.

For Notre Dame, all the young players who suffered through tough losses last season have gained experience, but Boston College has lost a good deal of senior leadership, having graduated 19 fifth-year seniors.

The most obvious change is at quarterback. Matt Ryan was drafted third overall by the Atlanta Falcons after throwing for 3,953 yards, 28 touchdowns and 16 interceptions last season.

His replacement this season is senior Chris Crane, who was Ryan's backup on the Eagles two-deep last season.

So far this season, Crane has struggled at times, throwing for only 178.4 yards per game with eight touchdowns and 12 interceptions.

Notre Dame defensive coordinator Corwin Brown said Crane is an important part of the system Boston College runs.

"They have a quarterback who makes good decisions,

throws the ball around pretty well," Brown said. "He makes mistakes just like everybody else. He gets tackled, he gets pressure. He throws interceptions, just like other quarterbacks when you pressure them."

While Crane is not as effective a passer as Ryan was last season, the 6-foot-4 senior is more of a dual-threat quarterback than his predecessor. Crane has rushed for 147 net yards and seven touchdowns so far this season. Last year, Ryan had only one rushing touchdown had a net of minus-nine yards on the ground.

Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said that while the Eagles coaching staff has some running plays drawn up specifically for Crane, a lot of his rushing yards come from scrambling.

"He's actually a guy who likes to run the ball a little bit more, not afraid to run it. They actually do run some read options with him actually carrying the ball," Weis said. "The other thing, if he doesn't see something in the passing game open, he's not afraid to pull it down and go with it. He does a nice job feeling pressure and avoiding the rush and getting out of the pocket and throwing the ball away when he's under

duress."

The other major offensive loss for the Eagles from last season is starting tailback Andre Callender, who also graduated last season.

Callender led the team with 907 yards on the ground and nine touchdowns and also led the team with 59 catches for 613 yards. This season, the Eagles have spread the wealth

in the running game, splitting carries between freshmen tailbacks Josh Haden and Montel Harris.

Harris leads the team with 411 yards on 73 carries, good for 5.8 yards per game, while Haden has 276 yards on 63 carries for 39 yards a game. Weis predicted that Haden will start for the Eagles on Saturday.

"He's not a big guy, but he runs hard. He's very quick and he's also a good receiver out of the backfield," Weis said.

Weis also said that he has game-planned for Harris, but that the two backs are very similar.

"[Harris is] not that much different than Haden. He's not that much different. They're not real big guys but both backs that run real hard," he said.

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Corwin Brown
Irish defensive coordinator



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