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Saturday's loss discourages students, fans



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Frustrated with the shutout loss to Florida State, many students and fans emptied the stands before the end of the game, with significantly more seniors leaving than freshmen.

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
News Editor

Coach Tyrone Willingham said at Friday's pep rally that Notre Dame students do not leave a game. However, at Saturday's loss to Florida State, several gaps in the student section appeared.

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"Broken record"
Irish Insider

Junior Joe Swiderski said he watched the Boston College game for three hours in front of a computer but he could not bear to watch the second half of the Florida State game. Disappointment eventually took over and he left in the third quarter.

"It is one thing to lose and play well and it's another thing to lose by the worst margin of defeat in

30 years," Swiderski said. "I don't think that makes me a fair-weather fan ... It's so hard to watch the team not even being competitive."

Saturday's loss was the third time this season Notre Dame lost by more than 30 points and ranked as the ninth-worst defeat in school history.

The feeling of desperation prevailed during the third quarter in the student section as students did traditional touchdown push-ups for first downs.

The overall feeling from most students was one of disappointment, but several students chastised fans who left during the game.

Senior Derek Podolny said though he expected the eventual outcome he was upset by the dis-

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New Council debuts

By AMANDA MICHAELS
News Writer

Rising out of fierce debate and born from the partial merging of the Executive Cabinet and Student Senate, the Council of Representatives, as it is unofficially called, meets for the first time tonight under the watchful eyes of both its proponents and detractors, who are waiting to see whether the new body will spark real changes to Notre Dame's student government.

"Right now, there seems to be the impression that the student body has an inefficient, figure-head government," said Drew Sandstrum, who joins Dan Zenker, Amy Chambers and Claire Berezowitz as the four senators chosen to sit on the new Council. "The Council of Representatives, I'm hoping, will dispel that image," he said.

Student government's lack of action and efficiency has been a long-time concern and was considered last year by Senate's Oversight Committee, but deemed "too large of a problem" to be solved by that particular group, said Elliot Poindexter, a former senator who is now president of the judicial committee. The creation of the Council signals the first major, collective step toward the improvement of the current system.

"I think that it's a good intermediate step, and it will help us determine whether we need a more drastic change," said Sandstrum.

Including all members of the Executive Cabinet and four stu-

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Professors question academic engagement

Editor's Note: This article is the first in a series of three articles focusing on academic engagement at Notre Dame.

By JOE TROMBELLO
News Writer

Sunny Boyd, associate professor of biological sciences, waits for the one student out of 300 in her physiology class who may come to the three-hour long office hours period. If a student shows up, she is certain it will be to ask a question directly related to the upcoming exam. More students will come right before the exam, hoping to have their last-minute questions answered; few will come merely just to chat.

She estimates that 100 students may skip class on any given day. Those who do attend will only read the assigned parts of the textbook, refusing to spend time

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"Business degrees worry A&L faculty"
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At left, graphic design professor Robert Sedlack and student Rozann Carter meet in Sedlack's office.

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Undergraduates going on for doctorates (percentage of students during 1991-2000)

	ND	Top 20 Colleges	Total	
			ND	Top 20
Humanities	9.5	11.2	6.1	11.4
Social Sciences	5.4	6.4		
Fine/Performing Arts	1.7	5.2		
Business	.7	3.4		
Science	13.6	30.5		
Engineering	10.4	9.5		

Source: NSF Baccalaureate Origins Report compiled by Franklin and Marshall College

MIKE HARKINS/The Observer

International study applications increase

By TERESA FRALISH
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Applications for international study programs have increased significantly over the last several years, according to Director of International Study Programs Thomas Bogenschild.

"I think there's been a substantial increase," said Bogenschild. "Clearly more students are applying."

Because ISP is just now beginning to track acceptance rates for its various programs, Bogenschild said he could not say exactly how selective the programs are, or if selectivity has increased over the past few years. However, he noted that the Dublin, Ireland, Toledo, Spain, Rome, Italy and Australia programs

"I think there's been a substantial increase."

Thomas Bogenschild
director of ISP

were in general the most competitive.

Because some locations, such as Beijing, China, only allow for two participants, admittance for such programs can be very selective depending on the year and applicant pool. Officials from the London Program could not be reached

for comment on the number of applications being received and admittance rates. However, associate director Terry Bays said she has seen an increase in freshmen interest about London, even though all London program participants must be juniors.

In part due to higher number of applicants, both the London Program and ISP have made changes in how they

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INSIDE COLUMN

Catholics can't sing

I have recently come to the conclusion that Catholics can't sing. It's not really that we can't — there are choirs at most churches, and some kind of music program at nearly all — but that we somehow feel like the business of singing, and of finding (and writing) really beautiful music to grace the liturgy with, is someone else's business.

Matt Smedberg

Wire Editor

The result of this attitude, which has been around since before Vatican II, is the dismal state of liturgical music today. The hymns which have become the staples of the liturgical diet — "Here I Am, Lord", or "Anthem", or even "Let There Be Peace On Earth" — are just not great music. The Mass of Creation really isn't that inspiring when put next to something by Mozart or Haydn. I feel all too often like I'm being subjected to a weekly diet of schmaltz.

Music is important. It turns a Mass into something solemn and powerful — or into a farce. It can bring people to raise their minds and spirits to God — or it can get them to join their minds and spirits to each other, and forget all about God. If you want companionship with your brother, go to the dining hall. If you come to pray, go to Mass.

What I really wish, is that Campus Ministries were not so scared of using Latin in the Mass. Latin's a really neat language, and there is some really, really cool music written in it.

Would it really scare students and alumni away from the Basilica if they heard the strains of "Kyrie Eleison" wafting from the choir loft instead of "Lord have mercy?" I don't think so; in fact, it might bring us more respect among Catholics who still care about the liturgy, and who now see Notre Dame as a bastion of American Catholic liberalism.

Personally, I love Gregorian Chant. Now, does this mean that I think we should only have Gregorian Chant in the Mass and nothing else? Hardly. And yet, do I appreciate that, since I have been at Notre Dame, I have yet to hear any chant in a Mass, ever? Not at all. Chant is tied up with the whole history of the Church; if we let it fall by the wayside, it is a rejection of our heritage just when we need to remember it the most.

Notre Dame aspires to be the pre-eminent center of Catholic theology in this country. As part of this goal, it owes it to itself to set an example of rich, Catholic liturgy. There is an old saying about the purpose and function of liturgy: "lex orandi, lex credendi." The rules of worship are the rules of belief. In other words, if, when we worship God, we do it in a way which is inappropriate, or inconsistent with what we say we believe about Him, that can very well undermine our whole faith.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Matt Smedberg at msmedber@nd.edu.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT DID YOU THINK OF THE FOOTBALL GAME?



Brian Rosenberg
University of Southern Palatine

"It made Baby Jesus cry."



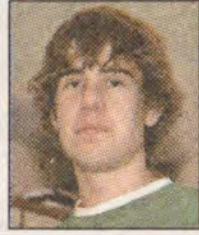
Paul Critser
off-campus junior

"We got bamboozled."



Meghan Morgavan
Northern Illinois University

"I don't care — we're ranked and you're not."



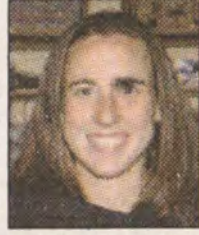
Pat Ross
off-campus junior

"I still love you Carlyle."



Vanessa Garcia
University of Illinois

"I think Brady Quinn has smoother arms than I do."



Jen Herdman
Holy Cross junior

"It was bad news."



STEPHANIE GRAMMENS/The Observer

As part of its national tour, the Irish dancing group "Spirit of the Dance" performed at Saint Mary's O'Laughlin Auditorium Sunday evening. The group performed traditional Irish dances as well as other styles such as flamenco.

IN BRIEF

Donate blood today at the Farley Hall Blood Drive, taking place today at 11 a.m.

Attend the journalism panel, "Journalism Ethics: The Craft of Credibility," today in McKenna Hall from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in rooms 100-104. The forum will include members of the advisory committee for the Gullivan Program in Journalism, Ethics and Democracy.

Head over to Legends for the Monday Night Football Game Watch, taking place today from 9 p.m. to 12 a.m.

Attend the Men's Awareness Night on eating disorders today from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Coleman-Morse Center Room 330. This event is sponsored by the group A Life Uncommon.

Architect Leon Krier will speak today today from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in Washington Hall. Krier received the 2003 School of Architecture Prize for Classical Architecture.

University of Texas Professor Martha Menchaca will present a lecture on "Recovering History, Constructing Race" today from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium.

Head over to Rolf's Sports and Recreation Center, Court 1, for Drop-In Floor Hockey tonight from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

The Italian Club will sponsor a free screening of the Italian film, "Ciao, professore!" Wednesday night at 8 p.m. in DeBartolo 141.

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

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

OFFBEAT

High School Girls Nab Suspected Flasher

PHILADELPHIA — About 20 Catholic school girls chased down a man who had been flashing them near their high school, tackled him to the ground and held him there until police arrived, authorities said.

The students from St. Maria Goretti's High School for Girls in South Philadelphia said the man had been flashing students since the middle of September.

He typically hid behind a van, waited for students and then jumped out and

exposed himself, police said.

But on Thursday, store owners in the area saw the man flashing girls and started yelling at him. The students then chased him down the street and subdued him with the help of a passerby, authorities said.

Monkeys Terrorize India Workers, Tourists

NEW DELHI — In a capital city where cows roam the streets and elephants plod along in the bus lanes, it's no surprise to find government buildings overrun with mon-

keys.

But the officials who work there are fed up. They've been bitten, robbed and otherwise tormented by monkeys that ransack files, bring down power lines, screech at visitors and bang on office windows.

The Supreme Court has stepped in, decreeing that New Delhi should be a monkey-free city after citizens filed a lawsuit demanding protection from the animals.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 62 LOW 54	HIGH 57 LOW 54	HIGH 76 LOW 44	HIGH 48 LOW 31	HIGH 44 LOW 27	HIGH 44 LOW 32

Forum examines journalistic ethics

Special to The Observer

"Journalism Ethics: The Craft of Credibility" will be the subject of a public forum Monday 3 p.m. in Rooms 100-104 of McKenna Hall. It is free and open to the public.

Panelists will discuss ethical problems that recently have occurred in journalism and point out potential concerns for news gathering and reporting in the future. The forum will feature members of the advisory committee of the John W. Gullivan Program in Journalism, Ethics & Democracy at Notre Dame.

Committee members include Tom Bettag, senior executive producer of ABC News' "Nightline"; Bill Dwyre, sports editor of the Los Angeles Times; John W. Gullivan, former chairman of the board of Kearns-Tribune Corporation and publisher emeritus of the Salt Lake City Tribune; Monica Yant Kinney, metro columnist of the Philadelphia Inquirer; John McMeel, chairman of Andrews

McMeel Universal; Bill Mitchell, online editor/marketing director of the Poynter Institute for Media Studies; Anne Thompson, national correspondent for NBC News; Kelley Tuthill, anchor-reporter at WCVB-TV, Boston; and Don Wycliff, public editor of the Chicago Tribune.

The committee, which oversees the curriculum and activities of the University's undergraduate concentration in journalism, was formed in 1997 and is composed of Notre Dame graduates involved in various aspects of communications.

The Gullivan Program was established with a grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation and is now supported with an endowment created by the family of John W. Gullivan. It offers students professional training in journalistic skills along with examination of the social, political, economic and philosophical concerns related to the practice of journalism.

Blak Images highlights talent

By KATHERINE GALES
News Writer

He's Notre Dame's starting defensive tackle three years in a row.

He served as game captain last year in the win against Michigan.

He stands tall at six-foot-four and weighs nearly 300 pounds.

He's also a poet.

Darrell Campbell spoke from the heart this weekend about "the make-up of me; some things inside that I think need to be shared with you."

Campbell's poetry recitation was just one of the many outstanding acts at this weekend's "Blak Images: Bak to Basiks" talent show. The event, sponsored by the Black Cultural Arts Council, performed on Saturday evening to a packed auditorium in Washington Hall.

"[The show was] one of our highest turnouts in recent years," said BCAC president Jourdan Sorrell. "It was very diversified as well, which is always our goal — [to have] as many people as possible there and to have as many different groups of people as possible."

"Overall, the show was very positive," said Keenan freshman Sheldon Dutes. "I thought it was awesome that Notre Dame has so much talent and so many talented, well-rounded people."

"People took away that they can see quality acts — [that] people can come together and put together a very quality show," Sorrell said. "The perception of black images was primarily targeted for African Americans. Yes, the focus is Afro-centric but very inclusive of other people and cultures, [as shown by the] variety of artists and performers, as well as the turnout. BCAC is trying to reach out and welcome the broader



SOFIA BALLON/The Observer

The Ladies First Class Steppers dance at Blak Images on Saturday. The show celebrated Notre Dame's diverse talent in performance.

Notre Dame community, therefore embracing African-Americans as well."

Featured groups included the band Station One, the Voices of Faith gospel choir and the dance teams Troop ND, the Swing Club, Ladies of '05 and the First Class Steppers.

Also performing were rapper Brian Shaugnassy, football players and poets Brandon Hoyte and Campbell, singer Jenna, slam poet Grant Osborn, singing/piano duo Beth Duran and Matt Kinsella, poet Dennis Latimore and the rap-R&B group Traxtarts.

Student performers came from a variety of areas.

"I had done some performances earlier this year at Legends and Acoustic Café with some of the people who were also in the show or who were organizers," said Shaugnassy. "I was in black coffee-house last year, so when I heard about Blak Images I thought I'd ...

try and get involved with it."

Shaugnassy said he was impressed by the abilities of his fellow performers.

"I thought it was amazing — each act was extremely talented and it was just cool to see a bunch of different views on the same kind of art," he said.


A piano rendition of Nelly's "Dilemma," as performed by Kinsella and Duran, had the audience cheering wildly and singing along. Football players Hoyte and Campbell also impressed the crowd by showing their insightful side.

A strong point of the show were emcees Anne Marie Desir, Frank Duerson and Rick Cornett. Their humorous asides between acts provided the audience with laughs and kept everyone interested in the show.

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Students were not the only ones leaving the stands early. Fans young and old huddle on the near-empty benches as they watch the Irish lose 37-0 to Florida State.

Football

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appearance of alumni and students in the third quarter.

"It's a matter of seeing how truly fair-weather fans we are or have that people aren't willing to accept even one losing season and support the team through that season," Podolny said.

The trickle of students leaving the Stadium increased throughout the second half and a sparse student section remained to sing the alma mater and the fight song. It appeared as though the senior section seemed the most deserted, while the freshman section remained full.

Sophomore Rebecca Eckstein

said that despite the team's drastic turnaround from last year's 10-3 season is disheartening, she remained at the game.

"I thought we could continue the success," Eckstein said. "I feel like whether we are winning or losing it's still our team."

Senior John Dee said Saturday's performance was disappointing for both the fans and the team and acknowledged the team's hard work and failure to put the pieces together.

"I'm a senior and I wanted to stay for as much of the game as I could and as fans we expect the team to do well and we need to be there to support the team," Dee said. "We need to support the team and be there to support them and if they are playing in an empty stadium we can't

expect them to do well."

Signs of student disillusionment were evident earlier in the week as more than 300 students braved rainy weather to exchange their student to general admission. Several were turned away as the demand exceeded the allotted 300-ticket exchange.

Senior Michael McBirnie said although he sold his ticket for Saturday's game for a personal reason, he does intend to attend the remaining games in the season.

"I had another thing to do, but [the game] was not much of a sacrifice," McBirnie said. "I still think we can pull in some more wins."

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Abroad

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evaluate applicants. Previously, the top students were admitted every program they applied at, and most other applicants were forced to remain on waiting lists for long periods of time.

Now, students must designate their top choice program when they apply, although they can change their mind later on in the admission process.

"The goal is to get as many people accepted to their first choice program as possible," said Bays.

Students' applications are first evaluated by their top-choice program, which then decides whether to extend an offer of admission.

Other programs will only evaluate an application after the student has turned down the acceptance offer or if the first-choice program does not admit the student.

On average, students apply to two to three programs, said Bays.

One common conception among students is that admission is easier for the fall semester.

"It varies from program to program," said Bogenschild. "Fall has traditionally been less competitive."

According to Bays, selectivity for spring and fall generally evens out because most science and engineering students are required to study in London in the fall, but she said she still sees a strong interest in the fall semester.

"There is a preference for spring among some students," she said.

Both Bays and Bogenschild said that disciplinary violations may hurt applicants, but do not necessarily prevent them from being admitted.

In general, officials will consider what the violation was, when it occurred and whether it shows a trend in the applicant's behavior. Students on disciplinary probation are prohibited from studying abroad and must have a 2.5 GPA to apply.

"Usually we bring them in to talk about it," said

Bogenschild.

In addition to disciplinary problems, Bogenschild said a student's motivation and foreign language are important for gaining admission.

Both officials said they anticipate having to make cuts to their programs because of financial problems that have affected departments throughout the University.

However, they were unsure exactly such funding cuts would affect the number of students they can send to study abroad programs.

Bogenschild estimated that about 30 to 40 percent of Notre Dame students participate

during their four years in some type of study abroad program, such as summer study or year-long programs.

The international study programs with the most participants are Australia, Dublin, Ireland,

Angers, France, Innsbruck, Austria, Rome, Italy and Toledo, Spain, with about 20-30 students per semester.

The London Program, where all faculty and staff are University employees, is the largest of Notre Dame's study abroad programs, with about 150 students participating each semester. For the rest of the international study programs, ISP works through another university's program.

Depending on their major, students are limited to certain locations.

All majors can study in London, with exception of architecture students who spend a year in Rome. Engineering students are limited to London and Perth, Australia, while arts and letters students generally have the most flexibility in their choice of locations.

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Council

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dent senators, the Council of Representatives was granted the authority to amend the constitution and approve the budget, powers formerly held by Senate.

"Right now we're just starting with the constitutional changes that set up this new, enhanced Executive Cabinet, but we will eventually totally redo the student government," said student body president Pat Hallahan.

Chambers, who argued against the resolution until its approval, said, "My reservations were that we were giving the budgetary and constitutional powers to the Council of Representatives, a body that wasn't even formed yet."

Chambers said she felt that the way the proposal was drafted and passed — in the Executive Cabinet and the Senate independently — contradicted its ultimate goal of unity and communication between the two groups.

"What I wanted was this: to get everyone at the same table first. If the result of this resolution is so great, it seems like we should utilize that group to arrive at the necessary changes," she said.

Other debate surrounding the transfer of powers to the Council questioned the ability of the non-elected heads of organizations, now sitting on the Executive Cabinet, to remain unbiased when approving budgetary expenditures.

"I believe that there was a purpose why the power of budget approval was granted specifically to the Senate," said former senator and former residence life committee chairman Kevin Conley. "[Many members of the Executive Cabinet] have a big stake in the allotments. Can we expect these individuals to completely set aside their allegiances and make a fair determination as to what is best for the student body?"

Despite these reservations, many look to the Council to bring about major changes to student government. Though its agenda

will not be mapped out until today's meeting, members said they hope it will move plans that were previously stalled in the gap between Senate and the Executive Cabinet forward.

"We hope to address RA training, the TCE publication and other issues. We just want to make sure that this group stays the best representation of the students, and we hope in the future it can be a productive body," said Zenker.

Members will also have to approve a new name for the body, as it is still officially called the Executive Cabinet.

Hallahan, who will only oversee the progress of the Council his early graduation in December, said "We took the best first step together on creating this new committee together and laid a foundation for what student government is going to look like. The ultimate goal is finding ways to eliminate overlap and make the whole system more efficient."

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Arafat prepares for peace

JERUSALEM — Following an Israeli offer, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat said Sunday he is ready for peace talks, while about 6,000 Palestinians returned to jobs in Israel for the first time in a month.

In an abrupt turnaround last week, Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said contacts were already underway with Palestinian officials, adding, "We are ready to enter negotiations at any time." Sharon had previously conditioned talks on a crackdown on violent Palestinian groups responsible for attacks on Israelis.

Asked about Sharon's remarks, Arafat told reporters he would accept an offer for talks. "There is no official communication, but we are ready," he said after meeting a delegation of Greek lawmakers at his headquarters in the West Bank town of Ramallah.

Russia angered by U.S.

MOSCOW — Russia's foreign minister criticized the United States on Sunday for expressing concern about actions against the oil giant Yukos, but President Vladimir Putin's new chief of staff said he doubted the wisdom of freezing a large chunk of the company's shares.

Last week, U.S. State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the Bush administration regarded the arrest and jailing of Yukos head Mikhail Khodorkovsky, and the freezing of 44 percent of the company's shares, as raising "serious questions about the rule of law in Russia."

Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov, speaking on state television, reacted angrily.

NATIONAL NEWS

Californians return home

BIG BEAR LAKE, Calif. — With the Southern California wildfires nearly contained, a wave of residents Sunday returned to the San Bernardino Mountains to see if their homes survived one of the most destructive infernos.

In the community of Cedar Glen, owners of about 350 homes found only devastation.

"The house is completely gone, nothing," Pedro Helguera, 52, said of the home he and his wife had lived in for 24 years. "We've got to start from the bottom."

The blaze, known as the Old Fire, was among a barrage of wildfires that have killed 20 people, destroyed more than 3,400 homes and burned nearly 750,000 acres across Southern California.

Shark attacks surfing star

LIHUE, Hawaii — The water was clear and there was no indication of danger when a 13-year-old surfing star went out on the waves with her best friend and her friend's father.

But while Bethany Hamilton was lying on her board off Kauai's North Shore, a shark bit once and then disappeared, taking off her left arm just below the shoulder.

"Nobody saw it happen. She just yelled, 'A shark bit me!'" said her father, Tom Hamilton.

LOCAL NEWS

Exodus of educated in IN

FORT WAYNE, Ind. — Former South Bend residents Cynthia and Derrick Wozniak are young and highly educated — just the kind of people a state suffering from a prolonged "brain drain" cannot afford to lose.

The couple joined that exodus when they left for Sarasota, Fla., trading harsh northern winters for a home 20 minutes from the balmy Gulf Coast.

Their story is just one of thousands that have given Indiana the nation's worst record in keeping well-educated 25- to 34-year-olds from moving out of state, according to an analysis of U.S. Census Bureau figures.

Strike kills 15 soldiers in Iraq

Fallen helicopter marks deadliest day for U.S. soldiers in Iraq since March

Associated Press

FALLUJAH, Iraq — Targeting American forces with new audacity, insurgents hiding in a date palm grove shot down a Chinook helicopter carrying dozens of American troops Sunday, killing 15 and wounding 21 in the deadliest strike against U.S. forces since they invaded Iraq in March.

Witnesses said the attackers used missiles — a sign of the increasing sophistication of Iraq's elusive anti-U.S. fighters.

Three other Americans were killed in separate attacks Sunday, including one 1st Armored Division soldier in Baghdad and two U.S. civilians working for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Fallujah. All three were victims of roadside bombs, the military said.

It was the deadliest day for U.S. troops since March 23 — the first week of the invasion that ousted Saddam Hussein — and a major escalation in the campaign to drive the U.S.-led coalition out of the country.

The giant helicopter was ferrying the soldiers on their way for leave outside Iraq when two missiles streaked into the sky and slammed into the rear of the aircraft, witnesses told The Associated Press. It crashed in flames in farmers' fields west of Baghdad.

"It's clearly a tragic day for America," Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said in Washington. "In a long, hard war, we're going to have tragic days. But they're necessary. They're part of a war that's difficult and complicated."

Like past attacks on U.S. forces and a string of suicide bombings that killed dozens in Baghdad the past week, U.S. coalition officials blamed either Saddam loyalists or foreign fighters for the strike outside Fallujah, a center of Sunni Muslim resistance to the U.S. occupation.

President Bush was at his Texas ranch, out of public sight Sunday. "Our will and



U.S. soldiers carry the remains of a soldier killed when a surface to air missile downed a military transport helicopter just southwest of the city of Fallujah, Iraq.

resolve are unshakable," said a White House spokesman traveling with him.

L. Paul Bremer, the head of the occupation in Iraq, repeated demands that Syria and Iran prevent fighters from crossing their borders into Iraq.

"They could do a much better job of helping us seal that border and keeping terrorist out of Iraq," he told CNN. The "enemies of freedom" in Iraq "are using more sophisticated techniques to attack our forces."

U.S. officials have been warning of the danger of shoulder-fired missiles, thousands of which are now scattered from Saddam's arsenals, and such missiles are believed to have downed two U.S. copters since May 1.

Those two crashes — of smaller helicopters — wounded only one American.

The loaded-down Chinook was a dramatic new target. The insurgents have been steadily advancing in their weaponry, first using homemade roadside bombs, then rocket-fired grenades in ambushes on American patrols, and vehicles stuffed with explosives and detonated by suicide attackers.

In the fields south of Fallujah, some villagers proudly showed off blackened pieces of the Chinook's wreckage to arriving reporters.

Though a few villagers tried to help, many celebrated word of the helicopter downing, as well as a fresh attack on U.S. soldiers in

Fallujah itself. Two American civilians working under contract for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers were killed and one was injured in the explosion of a roadside bomb, the military said.

"This was a new lesson from the resistance, a lesson to the greedy aggressors," one Fallujah resident, who would not give his name, said of the helicopter downing. "They'll never be safe until they get out of our country," he said of the Americans.

The downed copter was one of two Chinooks flying out in formation from an air base in Habbaniyah, about 10 miles from the crash site, carrying troops to Baghdad on route for rest and recreation — R&R.

Green River Killer to plead guilty

Associated Press

SEATTLE — This week, a slight man with thick glasses, a man who has been married three times and is the father of one child, is to stand before a judge who will ask him at least 48 times how he pleads to separate charges of murder.

Each time, Gary Leon Ridgway will respond "guilty," sources involved with the case have told The Associated Press. When it's over Wednesday, he will have more murders on his record than any other serial killer in the nation's history. And a mystery that confounded detectives for two decades will come to a close.

Ridgway, 54, a longtime painter at Kenworth Truck Co., is expected to admit being the Green River Killer, named for the river south of Seattle where the first victims were found.

The plea would spare him the death penalty in King County, instead assuring him life in prison without parole, the sources said. However, two of the bodies on the official list of Green River victims were found in Oregon, which has capital punishment, and it is still unclear whether Ridgway will plead to those.

The remains of scores of women, mainly runaways and prostitutes, turned up near ravines, rivers, air-

ports and freeways in the 1980s. Of them, investigators officially listed 49 women as probable victims of the Green River Killer.

Ridgway had been a suspect ever since 1984, when Marie Malvar's boyfriend reported that he last saw her getting into a pickup truck identified as Ridgway's.

But Ridgway told police he didn't know Malvar, and a police investigator in Des Moines, midway between Seattle and Tacoma, who knew him cleared him as a suspect. Later that year, Ridgway contacted the King County Sheriff's Green River task force — ostensibly to offer information about the case — and passed a polygraph test.

Business degrees worry A&L faculty

By JOE TROMBELLO
News Writer

Nearly one-third of Notre Dame undergraduates choose to major in the Mendoza College of Business, a fact that troubles some Arts and Letters faculty who see the emphasis of undergraduates on business as a factor that may impede an academic, liberal arts education.

Arts and Letters views

In his 2003 Dean's Report, Mark Roche, dean of the College of Arts and Letters, expressed concern about the number of Notre Dame undergraduates — 32 percent — who choose to major in business, as compared to 7 percent of undergraduates who enroll in business at the top 20 universities.

"The University has rightly expressed concern about the high percentage of Notre Dame undergraduates majoring in business ... this high percentage is hardly compatible with a vision of Notre Dame as a Catholic liberal arts university," he wrote.

Likewise, Robert Norton, chair of the department of German Languages and Literature, believes that the emphasis among Notre Dame students on a business degree runs contrary to the notion of a liberal arts education.

"The general tendency [of a lack of an intellectual life outside of the classroom may] reflect the increased number of students who study business as an undergraduate," he said. "One-third of students are engaged in a course of study intended to prepare them specifically for some [career] — this is quite contrary to the spirit and tradition of a liberal arts education," he said.

From 1991-2000, only 0.7 percent of Notre Dame undergraduates majoring in business went on for a doctoral degree, a percentage much lower than the 6.1 percent of undergraduates throughout all Notre Dame colleges that sought Ph.D.s. The trend

of fewer business students seeking Ph.D.s than the general population holds true among other top 20 undergraduate universities as well, as 3.4 percent of students majoring in business attended doctoral level programs, in comparison with the 11.4 percent of total students who sought doctoral degrees.

The business response

William Nichols, associate dean of the Mendoza College of Business, said that business graduates often receive lucrative job offers in the corporate world, which may explain

the nationwide trend of low percentages of Ph.D.-seeking business students.

Nichols also said that those who believe business to be a subject that does not provide a strong liberal arts education are "misinformed." He stressed that business courses examine many of the same questions and issues as arts and letters but the context differs.

"The majority of classes that business students [take] are arts and letters," he said. "It would be a mistake to think that classes in the business school do not provide a liberal arts education."

Nichols said that he does not believe business students to be any less intellectual or less academically engaged than peers from other University colleges.

"I don't think that business students are different from other people — they are curious about the world, regardless of their major. Notre Dame students are bright, and bright students are curious about life issues," he said.

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reading material in the text that will not be on the exam but may prove useful or even interesting to them. The MCAT will not test these concepts.

Boyd, like some other faculty members from different colleges throughout Notre Dame, vent these and other concerns about the lack of intellectual engagement that Notre Dame students generally display outside of the classroom. They talk about the lack of passion that many students have for an academic subject and their decision to do little more than what is required of them academically. They talk about the lack of political activism on-campus. They talk about the emphasis on athletics and the lack of student interest in academia. They talk about how students at Notre Dame could do better.

Politics and passion

In contrast with other faculty members who comment about the lack of contact with students during office hours, Robert Sedlack, an assistant professor of graphic design, said that he has many daily conversations with students. Because faculty offices are so close to classrooms in the Riley Hall of Art, Sedlack said that students frequently engage in causal conversations to ask questions or to request a brief critique of their work.

"These kinds of conversations take place all the time. There are all kinds of opportunities for me to have impromptu discussions of student's work," Sedlack said.

Boyd said that she was astonished to discover how little Notre Dame students seem to care about politics, a measure of what she would consider to be true passion for learning and a personal involvement in current issues.

"I was shocked and surprised at how un-politically involved Notre Dame students are," she said. "I get the impression here that students don't care [about politics]."

Like Boyd, Robert Norton, chair of the Department of German Languages and Literature, said that despite his students' hard work ethic, they seem to be lacking in passion and a genuine, personal interest in the material that they study. This pervasive attitude contradicts with that of some students whom he taught at Vassar College, students who seemed to him to be engaged in a rich intellectual life.

"[Students here don't] convey the impression that a work of literature has meant a great deal personally to them, that he [or she] has grappled with it ... that it has challenged certain convictions or that [they have] been excited by it," he said. "That has never happened to me here [at Notre Dame]."

Anre Venter, director of undergraduate studies in psychology, agreed with Norton, saying that students generally seem to learn only for the sake of earning a good grade, rather than for pure enjoyment in the discipline.

"Kids here are grade-driven and performance-driven. That's where it begins and ends for most people," he said. "Notre Dame should be an end in itself, and students should learn for the sake of learning."

Academia and careerism

Other professors, such as Layna Mosley, assistant professor of political science, said that they feel that Notre Dame students may not be as inclined to consider academia as a career path in comparison with peers from other institutions. Mosley said that this may be explained in part because students who attend Notre Dame may not have been exposed to academia in their family backgrounds.

"Notre Dame students may be more likely to come from backgrounds where they are the first or second generation [to attend college]. They may be less likely to come from academic backgrounds," she said.

Ten percent of incoming freshmen in 2002 were first-generation college students, according to the Office for Institutional Research. Because of this lack of exposure, Mosley believes that

students do not always think of academia as a viable career and do not always understand what professors do.

"I don't think that students have a good sense of what [professors] do — they don't quite get it," she said.

Students from the top 20 American universities sent nearly twice as many graduates to Ph.D. programs from 1991-2000 as Notre Dame, and only Notre Dame's department of engineering sent a greater percentage of their students to doctoral programs than engineering programs from these peer institutions.

William Nichols, associate dean of the Mendoza College of Business, said that he believes Notre Dame students to be more career-oriented than students at other peer universities might be. Thus, Notre Dame students with aspirations in business, law or medicine may be less likely to seek graduate work in Ph.D. programs than their peers.

"I've got to believe that a fair percentage of students who come to Notre Dame have a professional career in mind — that may be different at other schools. I think our students are career-oriented from day one."

A culture change

Some faculty said that getting students to develop a richer intellectual life outside of the classroom would necessitate a fundamental shift in the pervasive attitudes that exist among Notre Dame students.

Norton said that improving the academic environment among Notre Dame undergraduates would mean allowing students to believe that intelligence and academic engagement are valued.

"It would entail a change in attitude, where in college, being a brilliant person is the thing," he said. "Here [at Notre Dame], that's not the case — it's how you look and what your athletic ability is. The idea that being smart is cool would have to take hold."

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Mutual fund reforms planned

New York Attorney General Spitzer criticizes SEC and demands reforms

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal regulators and New York's top law enforcer, pressing investigations of a mutual fund scandal, also are drawing up an overhaul of the \$7 trillion industry that traditionally has enjoyed a pristine image.

New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer is lashing out at the Securities and Exchange Commission for what he calls its failure to detect abuses and act quickly. "Heads should roll" at the agency, he says.

Companies must be forced to pay back to investors the hefty fees received for managing mutual funds during the time they allowed fund trading abuses to occur, Spitzer said Sunday.

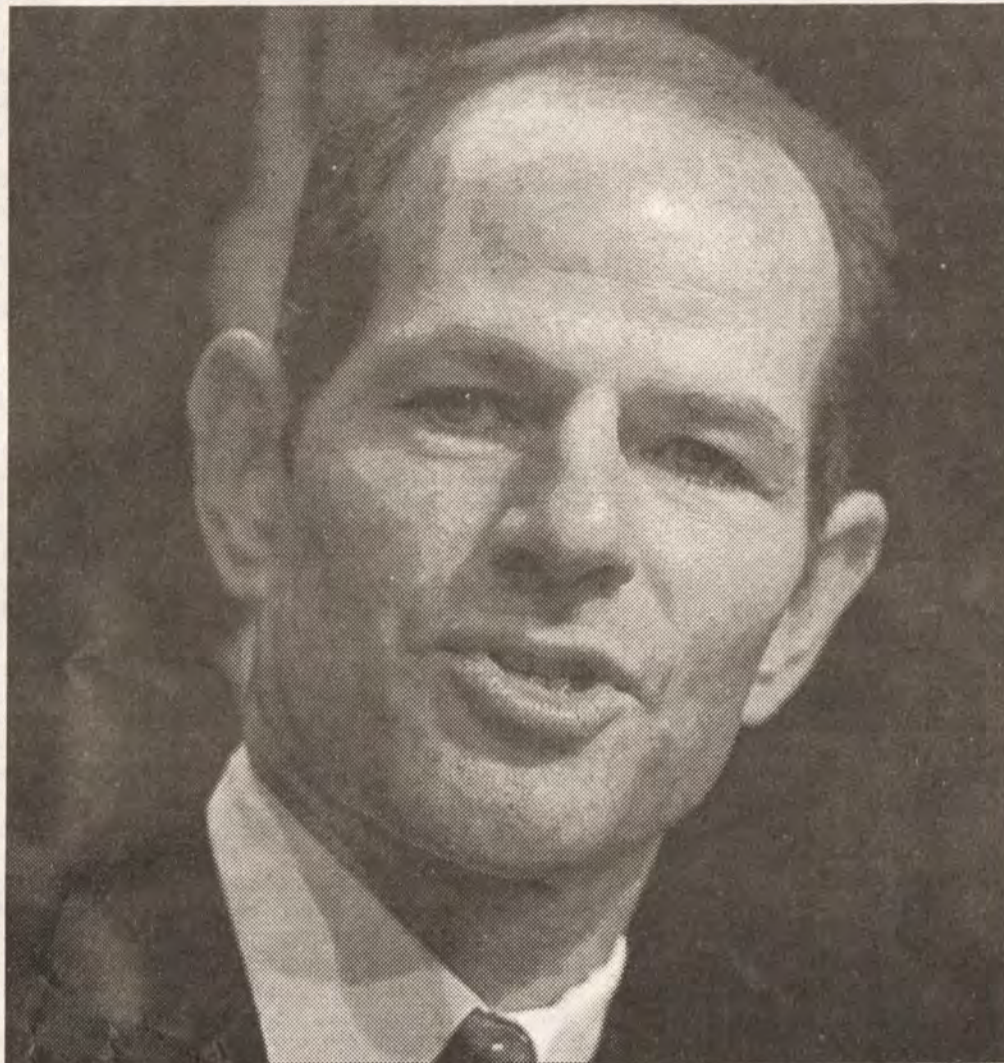
"If they're expecting to get settlements [with regulators] they're going to have to give much more back than just [investors'] losses. They're going to be paying stiff fines and giving back their management fees. They violated their trust with the American investor," the attorney general told The Associated Press in an interview.

Management fees by mutual fund companies totaled more than \$50 billion last year, he noted.

Eclipsed for months by Spitzer in the pursuit of conflicts of interest and abuses by Wall Street investment firms, the SEC jumped into the mutual fund investigation in early September. Dozens of firms have been subpoenaed, including Fidelity Investments, Janus Capital Group, Morgan Stanley and Vanguard Group.

It was Spitzer who first raised the charge that preferential trading deals for big-money customers at mutual fund companies could be siphoning billions of dollars from ordinary investors.

Congress is looking into the scandal and the regulators' response, with Spitzer



Showcase

New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer has demanded that mutual fund investment companies make reparations to investors.

and the SEC's enforcement director, Stephen Cutler, called to testify before a Senate committee on Monday.

In the latest and sharpest enforcement action, the SEC and Massachusetts regulators brought civil fraud charges last week against Putnam Investments, the nation's fifth-largest mutual fund company.

Two senior investment managers at Putnam were charged with using improper trades to profit personally from mutual funds they oversaw. Boston-based Putnam denied any wrongdoing but confirmed that four money managers had been fired.

Several investment companies, including Janus and Bank of America, have pledged to make restitution to mutual fund investors who lost money through alleged improper trading.

More broadly, the scandal has tarred the reputation of mutual funds, traditionally viewed as a safe, conservative investment. Some 90 million people have money in U.S. stock mutual funds; half of all American households invest in them.

"This is the biggest stink that's ever happened to the mutual fund industry," said Roy Smith, professor of finance at the Stern School at New York University.

In the process, a political dispute has broken out

between Spitzer and the SEC. They already had sparred last summer over legislation to preclude states from signing settlements with Wall Street firms that mandate business changes.

Spitzer is turning up the rhetoric.

"Heads should roll at the SEC," he said in a newspaper interview last week. "There is a whole division at the SEC that is supposed to be looking at mutual funds. Where have they been?"

That division is headed by Paul Royce, also summoned to testify at Monday's hearing by a Senate Governmental Affairs subcommittee.

IN BRIEF

Kroger gives strikers final offer

INDIANAPOLIS — Kroger Co. said Friday that it has presented a final contract offer to 4,000 workers in Indiana who are threatening to strike when their current contract expires.

Union representatives called the sudden break in talks "unfortunate" and said they will ask members to reject the proposal and authorize a walkout against the grocer during a vote scheduled for Sunday and Monday.

Cincinnati-based Kroger said Friday it has offered members of the United Food and Commercial Workers Local 700 a four-year contract that includes more than \$30 million in wage increases and pension contributions, as well as an offer to pay increased health care costs.

Sean-John charges denied

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras — The head of Honduras' assembly plant industry said Wednesday that claims of sweatshop conditions there were false.

"The treatment is excellent, better than in any factory in the United States," said Jesus Canahuati, president of the Association of Maquiladoras, a term used for export assembly plants.

On Tuesday, the director the National Labor Committee, a U.S.-based workers rights group, issued a report alleging poor conditions at a Honduran clothing factory that produces a line of Sean John clothing for rap music star Sean "P. Diddy" Combs.

Venezuela eases controls

CARACAS, Venezuela — President Hugo Chavez eased restrictions Sunday on credit card use, easing the currency controls that he imposed to shore up the economy during a two-month general strike called by his opponents.

Under the new rules, Venezuelans will be allowed to spend up to \$2,000 annually on their credit cards while traveling abroad.

The move partly eases the strict controls introduced in January to reduce capital flight and prop up the Venezuelan bolivar, which lost 25 percent of its value during the two-month strike. Government opponents called the strike in an unsuccessful bid to force early elections.

U.S. farmers push goods in Cuba

Associated Press

HAVANA — Florida fruit juices and North Carolina turkey are among products American companies are showing off in Cuba this week as they press to sell more farm products to the communist island.

Grouped inside a stand at the International Fair of Havana, which opened Sunday, the 71 American firms from 18 states and Puerto Rico hope their displays will persuade Cuban officials to buy more under an exception in a 42-year U.S. trade embargo.

"We're hoping to sell more apples, grapes, pears, and dried fruits," said Miguel Mauricio, president of the

Florida Produce, a Tampa, Fla.-based wholesale fruit and vegetable company.

The trade fair, which runs through Nov. 9, comes as Congress is trying to open Cuba to American travelers, a move that goes against both White House efforts to enforce a travel ban and the U.S. policy of isolating the communist country.

On Thursday, the Senate voted 59-36 to bar the use of government money to enforce current travel restrictions. The House last month also voted to ease travel restrictions, but the White House has threatened a veto and recently moved to step up enforcement of the travel ban.

Cuban Vice President Carlos Lage

told reporters at the opening of the fair that the growing number of U.S. exhibitors "demonstrates the inconsistency, the irrationality, the absurdity of the policy" of the embargo.

This year's American presence doesn't compete with the number of U.S. firms that took part in a U.S. food and agricultural exhibition held here a little more than a year ago. It featured 288 exhibitors from 33 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

But it's more than the one or two American companies that have signed up for this fair in past years. The growing U.S. presence shows that American firms want to keep selling — and Cuban officials want to keep buying, Mauricio said.

No federal charges filed in arena crash

Associated Press

JACKSON, Miss. — Federal officials said Sunday that a woman who rammed her car into an arena where President Bush had just given a speech had no intention of harming the president and no federal charges are pending against her, but she will face state charges.

A friend said the woman, Betina Mixon, may have wanted to hurt herself.

Mixon, 29, of Horn Lake had three children in her car when she crashed into a wall of the DeSoto County Civic Center on Saturday.

Bush had just spoken at a campaign rally for Haley Barbour, the Republican nominee for governor, and was in his limousine preparing to leave, a senior administration official said.

The president left the arena less than five minutes later from an exit about 40 yards from the crash.

After interviewing Mixon, investigators determined she had "no direction of interest toward the president whatsoever," Ann Roman, a Secret Service spokeswoman, told The Associated Press on Sunday.

A federal investigation is ongoing, but "there's no federal charges pending," she said.

Roman said the woman faces state charges that could include aggravated assault.

Mixon was taken into the custody of the DeSoto County Sheriff's Department; a call to the department Sunday was not immediately returned.

Alicia Graves, 19, who said she had known Mixon for about 10 years, said her friend had gone through a lot the last few months.

"With marriage, her dad just dying and her brother sick and all that, I think she had a nervous breakdown," Graves said Sunday.

Episcopal church ordains gay bishop

Associated Press

DURHAM, N.H. — The Episcopal Church became the first major Christian denomination to make an openly gay man a bishop, consecrating V. Gene Robinson on Sunday as bishop of New Hampshire. The act almost certainly means disgruntled conservatives will break from the church.

Robinson, 56, became a bishop when at least 40 other bishops attending his consecration surrounded him for the laying on of hands.

The historic moment came more than an hour into the ritual and after two Episcopal clerics and a parishioner took advantage of the traditional opportunity to object.

But the crowd of 4,000 worshippers attending the ceremony at a University of New Hampshire sports arena was overwhelmingly pro-Robinson. Presented to the audience at what's normally center ice, Robinson was greeted by a rousing, three-minute standing ovation. He smiled, nodded and brushed away a tear.

In informal remarks, Robinson's voice broke twice as he thanked New Hampshire for electing him a bishop and reaching out to the "people who find themselves at the margins," as Jesus did.

Conservatives have made moves to split from the church over Robinson and leaders of the global Anglican

Communion have said his consecration puts their worldwide association, with 77 million members, in jeopardy.

Assistant Bishop David Bena of Albany, N.Y., spoke for 36 opposing bishops in the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Church of Canada. He said his group and most bishops in the international Anglican Communion will not recognize Robinson as a fellow bishop.

Reading from a statement, Bena said Robinson's "chosen lifestyle" is incompatible with Scripture and the teaching of this church. Bena spoke after Presiding Bishop Frank Griswold asked if there was "any reason why we should not proceed," a traditional part of Episcopal consecration services.

The Rev. Earle Fox from the Pittsburgh Diocese also objected. But when he began citing specifics of same-sex behavior, Griswold politely cut him off, saying "please spare us the details and come to the substance."

In all, the objections took about 10 minutes.

Outside the ceremony, a handful of anti- and pro-gay demonstrators were kept apart by police. Armed officers also stood on the roof. Dissenting traditionalists also held a competing Communion service at a nearby church.

The consecration sermon by

New Hampshire's retiring Bishop Douglas Theuner was interrupted twice by vigorous applause as he defended Robinson's gay commitment against detractors.

Theuner said Robinson "will stand as a symbol of the unity of the church in a way none of the rest of us can" because he will "bring into our fellowship an entire group of Christians hitherto unacknowledged in the church."

Robinson won more applause for reaching out to Episcopalians upset with his elevation. "They must know if they must leave, they will always be welcomed back," he said.

Though there have been gay bishops in the past, all were closeted when they were elevated to their posts. Robinson has been open about his 14-year relationship with his partner throughout the process in which he won election to the new post.

The title conferred on Robinson, a longtime assistant to New Hampshire Bishop Douglas Theuner, is "bishop coadjutor," meaning he automatically becomes head of the diocese when Theuner retires March 7.

A national association for conservatives opposed to ordaining gays, the American Anglican Council, says parishioners already were drifting away in protest of Robinson's elevation.

It plans to hold the denomi-

nation's conservative flank together by building a network of "confessing" diocese and congregations.

The network will exist more or less separately from the national denomination, claiming to preserve the traditional beliefs of the Episcopal Church and the international Anglican Communion of which it's a part.

Some predict this will develop into the worst Episcopal split since the denomination was founded in 1789. And depending on the shape things take, a spate of church lawsuits may well result.

But Griswold, the leader of the 2.3 million-member U.S. denomination, has downplayed the negative fallout. He said two weeks ago that members who oppose Robinson's elevation "for the greatest part ... are committed to remaining within the Episcopal Church" and living with "divergent points of view."

Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams, Anglicanism's spiritual leader, said Saturday that he

believes divisions within the worldwide Anglican Communion over Robinson's selection will eventually heal.

"And one day we shall be led, in both thankfulness and repentance, to share with one another what we have learned apart, to bring to one another a history not without its shadows and stresses, but still one in which something quite distinctive has been learned," Williams said in London.


"[Robinson's] chosen lifestyle is incompatible with Scripture and the teaching of the church."

David Bena bishop

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Treaty to ban cloning faced with opposition

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — The United States is campaigning for a General Assembly vote on a resolution for a treaty to ban all forms of human cloning, but 23 countries are opposed and Islamic nations want a two-year delay.

U.S. Ambassador John Negroponte sent letters to ambassadors from about 100 countries that support a total ban, saying a delay would be "extremely unfortunate" and urging them to adopt the resolution when it comes up for a vote Thursday in the General

Assembly's legal committee.

"There is a need to act now to confront the emerging threat of human cloning," Negroponte said, appealing to the ambassadors to vote against any motion to delay the resolution, which was sponsored by Costa Rica.

The cloning issue has deeply divided the 191-nation General Assembly, which traditionally seeks to reach a consensus on new treaties to generate the most support.

A rival resolution introduced by Belgium and co-sponsored by 23 countries including France, Germany, Britain, China and Japan, calls for a ban

only on cloning to produce babies, leaving the question of human cloning for research and medical experiments to individual countries.

U.S. Deputy U.N. Ambassador James Cunningham said there was a fundamental difference of principle.

"Our view, and the view of the hundred or so supporters of the Costa Rican resolution is that it's a question of principle that the ban that we should be working on is total — and should cover both kinds of cloning," he said in an interview Friday.

The Costa Rican resolution

would set up a working group to start drafting a treaty, and would establish the goal of a total ban on human cloning. It would not ban non-human cloning.

"What postponement really means is acquiescing in accepting that this research on cloning can continue without the majority of the General Assembly pronouncing itself in favor of a total ban, which will happen if we get a vote," Cunningham said.

The opposition to a total ban was initially led by France and Germany, who proposed a two-step approach. They argue that

there is very strong international support for a worldwide ban on cloning babies, but less support for a ban on "therapeutic" cloning for research and medical purposes.

"Now there's a legal vacuum," said Belgian diplomat Marc Pecsteen, whose country is now leading the opposition. "Under our resolution, maybe there will be scientific cloning but at least it will be regulated."

But Pecsteen said that unless there is universal support for a treaty, it won't be effective, so "we think it's better not to have a vote on the issue because we are so divided."

Foreign study growth rate slows

Associated Press

A new study says the number of foreign students attending U.S. colleges increased by less than 1 percent in 2002-03 — the lowest growth rate in seven years. It's just the latest piece of evidence that international students are shying away from the United States because of tough immigration rules.

The Institute of International Education said tightened visa procedures enacted after the 2001 terrorist attacks, which have delayed the entry of many foreigners into the United States, contributed to the low growth rate.

The IIE said in its annual "Open Doors" report, to be released Monday, that foreign enrollment increased by only 0.6 percent last year. In each

of the two previous academic years, foreign enrollment had increased by 6.4 percent.

"It's not just the policies themselves, but the understanding and perception of the policies that have really affected the numbers," said Peggy Blumenthal, the IIE's vice president of educational services.

"The word of mouth is out in certain countries about the difficulty getting a visa. And the perception is having as much of an impact as the delays."

Foreigning students entering the country in the wake of the terrorist attacks on Washington in New York, as the federal government responded to calls for tighter domestic security. One of the Sept. 11 hijackers held a student visa.

U.S. schools want foreign

students both for the revenue they bring in — the IIE said international students spend up to \$12 billion annually between tuition and other expenses — and their contributions to academic research.

A continuing decline in foreign student enrollment "may damage our ability to attract the best and the brightest," said Alice Gast, vice president of research and associate provost at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

In a separate online survey, the IIE said 46 percent of U.S. colleges reported declines in foreign enrollment in the current school year. There were 586,323 international students studying in the United States last year, said the IIE, which promotes closer educational relations between the United States and other nations.

IRAN

Demands could end Iranian cooperation

Associated Press

TEHRAN — Iran's supreme leader said Sunday that "demands" from abroad could prompt Tehran to retreat from a recent commitment to give inspectors from the U.N. nuclear watchdog more access to its atomic facilities.

The warning by Ayatollah Ali Khamenei comes as the International Atomic Energy Agency evaluates a dossier on Iran's nuclear program that Tehran supplied to meet an Oct. 31 deadline. The dossier was submitted to prove it is not developing atomic weapons — as U.S. officials believe.

Iran agreed last month to allow unfettered inspections of its nuclear facilities and to stop enriching uranium — a process that creates fuel for nuclear plants but also can be used to build weapons.

"If parties to the talks with us come up with excessive demands and we feel that our interests and values are harmed, we won't hesitate to end this trend [of cooperation]," Khamenei said in a speech on state-run television.

"Peaceful nuclear technology is our legitimate right and no country and no organization can deprive us of this right."

Khamenei spoke before a large group of military and government officials at a party marking the daily breaking of

the fast for the Muslim holy month of Ramadan.

Khamenei, who has the final say on all state matters, said he will intervene to stop the Iranian government from making decisions he considers inappropriate.

"So far, nothing has been done against our principles," he said. "Wherever I feel that a step has been taken against the directions and goals of the establishment, I will stop it."

IAEA Director General Mohamed ElBaradei told CNN on Sunday that the agency still is evaluating Iran's nuclear dossier.

The United States accuses Iran of pursuing nuclear weapons and has pressed for the IAEA to declare Iran in violation of the Nuclear Nonproliferation

Treaty. Tehran, however, insists it is only developing nuclear energy to produce power as its oil stocks decline.

IAEA experts have found traces of highly enriched weapons-grade uranium on equipment at Iranian sites, a discovery ElBaradei has called the most troubling aspect of Tehran's nuclear activities.

Iran insists the traces, found in environmental samples, were inadvertently imported on equipment meant to generate electricity and says it does not know where the equipment originated because it was purchased through third parties.

If the IAEA decides Iran is developing nuclear weapons, it could ask for a review by the U.N. Security Council, which could impose sanctions on Tehran.


The IAEA board of governors is scheduled to discuss the issue Nov. 20.

Khamenei said Iran will not back down on seeking nuclear technology for peaceful purposes.


He also vowed the country will eventually produce fuel for its future nuclear reactors so it does not have to rely on other countries for the material.

"Peaceful nuclear technology is our legitimate right and no country and no organization can deprive us of this right."


**Ayatollah Ali Khamenei
Iranian leader**



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Bush's critics are blind as bats

I dressed up as George W. Bush for Halloween this year. It was a royal pain: the only Dubya mask left on the shelf cost \$4.99 and was made in Mauritius, and believe me, it had all the quality you'd expect from a Mauritian-made product.

Mike Marchand

The mask had tiny little eye-holes that were smaller than a dime, which meant that while wearing it, I could only really see what was right in front of me, but was blind to everything else.

Undistinguished
Alumnus

A sizable segment of you readers is probably howling in laughter at that last statement and the parallels it has to the world today.

Everybody's quick to link Iraq to Vietnam now, as if there were any similarity between a six-month desert conflict that's cost 300 American soldiers' lives and a nearly two-decade long jungle guerrilla war that killed 58,000 troops.

But yeah, other than all that, the situations are practically identical. Or at least they are for those people who were against the war from the beginning.

Take The New York Times' Maureen Dowd: "The war began with Bush illogic: false intelligence (from Niger to nuclear) used to bolster a false casus belli (imminent threat to our security) based on a quartet of false premises (that we could easily finish off Saddam and the Baathists, scare the terrorists and democratize Iraq without leeching our economy)."

Having been wrong about everything concerning Operation Iraqi Freedom, the anti-war left has switched to a new tactic: completely lying about everything so that it makes them right. This "strategy" is all over Dowd's thesis.

Dowd mentions the African nation of Niger (a shorthand reference to the

supposed claim that President Bush made in his January 2003 State of the Union address that Saddam Hussein attempted to buy uranium from Niger) as an attempt to show that Bush lied about the reasons for war.

In fact, the now-famous 16-word quote in the address was that "the British government has learned that Saddam Hussein recently sought significant quantities of uranium from Africa," not just Niger. British intelligence stands by their work, and reports by Chief U.S. Weapons Inspector David Kay support an African connection.

Second, Dowd asserts that the justification for war was an "imminent threat to our security." This, too, is a complete fabrication: invading Iraq was to prevent them from ever becoming an "imminent threat."

From the same State of the Union: "Some have said we must not act until the threat is imminent. Since when have terrorists and tyrants announced their intentions, politely putting us on notice before they strike?"

However, constant repetition has made this lie accepted, and even "objective" sources like The New York Times, the Associated Press and Agence France-Presse have all published news stories touting that Bush declared Saddam an "imminent threat."

These two little white lies lead to the big one, the one that the anti-war left hopes to bludgeon Bush upside the head with: that the administration "misperceived" the amount of post-war Iraqi resistance to instituting a stable, democratic government and is currently botching the job.

"When you put American troops in harm's way, you better not do it without a plan," sneered Gen. Wesley Clark, who has little to say about poor planning (coughKosovocough).

No matter whether or not one supported the war, the postwar establishment of a free Iraq should be a cause everyone, certainly classic interven-

tionist liberal idealists, could get behind. But four of the leading Democratic presidential candidates (Clark, Dean, Edwards, Kerry) oppose the President's \$87 billion evidently-not-a-plan aid package.

That opposition has the potential to undermine the entire series of successes the postwar reconstruction has already accomplished in just a few short months: reopening all hospitals and most schools, courts and banks; restoring most electrical, telephone and water services; creating Iraqi police and security forces totaling more than 100,000 officers; and establishing the beginnings of a free press and representative government. Just imagine what they could have done if they had a plan.

It is true that an organized, sophisticated resistance has dedicated itself to reversing these achievements, and that they have taken quite a deadly toll, both on U.S. forces and on non-American "soft targets" like the International Red Cross.

However, to compare this situation with Vietnam is to insinuate that the resistance is part of a much larger hostile group opposed to the United States, and to state this war is not winnable and we should just go home. The former is clearly not true, and the latter would be a bigger disaster than not having gone in at all.

So who's really sightless? The president whose vision is prevailing, or the opponents whose theories of failure are so blinding that they're forced to shade the truth to make their point?

Who knows, maybe Mauritius makes Stevie Wonder masks.

Mike Marchand, class of '01, wanted to dress up as Gen. Wesley Clark for Halloween, but was afraid nobody would realize who he was. His column appears every other Monday. Contact him at Marchand.3@alumni.nd.edu.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Mistakes are a fact of life.
It is the response to error that counts."

Nikki Giovanni
American poet

Why we really went to war

You know that "Operation Iraqi Freedom" was plagued by controversy from day one because of its so-called "illegitimate" grounds. I am here to tell you that this operation was fought for a different reason than what we were told.

Greg Parnell

*Issues, Ideas
 and Ideologies*

After months of debate and discussion, my conclusion is that it was not really about liberating the Iraqi people from a tyrant, nor about eliminating a psychopath before he could use weapons against Americans, nor about the oil. True, these may indeed be effects of the war, but they are not the cause.

The war in Iraq is an attempt to set in motion a process that will slowly and discreetly trigger the collapse of an enemy far more dangerous to America than Saddam Hussein: Islamic Fundamentalism.

I am a firm believer that the United States must always pursue all peaceful alternatives before resorting to war. However, Islamic Fundamentalism and American Democracy cannot peacefully coexist. Why? Because there are absolutely irresolvable differences in their most basic belief systems.

As Americans, we place our highest value in the liberal idea of freedom. Of all the things we hold dear, it is our freedoms — like the ability to pursue any career you want and the power to

speaking your mind without persecution — that we are most determined to protect.

We believe we possess the unalienable right to choose our own actions, whether they be right or wrong, for better or for worse, out of selfishness or out of altruism.

Advocates for Fundamentalist societies are strikingly different in their views, for they place virtue above freedom as the supreme objective. Whereas Americans often cite the Judeo-Christian belief in God's gift of free will to man, the Muslim faith focuses predominantly on the purity of the soul and submission to God's will.

Therefore, Fundamentalists reject our basic assumption that we have a right to choose, for if we choose evil, then we are rebelling against God.

Consequently, leaders are willing to abolish individual freedoms in order to try to preserve virtues.

The key to understanding the dilemma between the American Democratic and Islamic Fundamentalist worlds is that the two sides are judging each other by different moral codes. Yes, there are many notable overlaps, but the one distinction that I have outlined is critical.

It means that although their naming of the United States as the "Great Satan" may seem absurd to us, if we draw back and look at it from their perspective, this judgment is indeed logical and valid. "Freedom" permits Britney Spears to exploit sexual lust to gain popularity. Would not our society be

more pure if this was prohibited? Would this not be what God wanted?

I sympathize with the Fundamentalists because they are fighting for their most sacred beliefs, just as we are. However, my sympathy does not extend insofar as to tolerate the notion that murdering thousands of Americans is an acceptable way to promote one's moral code.

Indeed, I have concluded that a freedom-based society is closer to God's will than a virtue-based society, because forced virtue is not true virtue.

Requiring a woman to wear a veil may make her appear humble publicly, but it does not necessarily make her heart so. Sure, freedom means that some Americans will choose to commit evil acts. However, many will not. It is these individuals, who have the opportunity to choose evil and refuse it, who demonstrate true virtue. Obeying God's will means nothing unless one has the power to disobey.

War is tragic, but we struck when we did because we saw an opportunity to prevent a much greater tragedy. Peaceful coexistence would be preferred, but such a peace is impossible as long as the Fundamentalist moral code requires that they destroy the unvirtuous and our own demands that we give freedom to the oppressed.

Sure, we can wait until the impending clash breaks out into an all-out religious world war, the scope of which the world has never seen. Or, we can try to deal a quick deathblow, saving count-

less lives on both sides.

We attacked Iraq because establishing a stable democracy within the Middle East will demonstrate to Muslims that Islam can exist in a democracy, though not in the Fundamentalist form. In Iraq, dissent existed but had no voice, Saddam's arrogance about his weapons gave us legal justification, the economy was eager to grow if given expert management and it is the most secular of the Fundamentalist societies.

We are offering freedom to a country that has the natural and human resources to be a successful democracy, hoping that it can now serve as an example for the rest of the Islamic world. If it does succeed, the Islamic Fundamentalists calling for jihad will find their voices falling on deaf ears.

Instead of fighting against America, the citizens of Fundamentalist nations will rise up and the oppressive regimes that rule them will crumble into the sands of the desert forever. World War Three will be averted. If our transformation of Iraq succeeds, we may never know just how many lives we have saved.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Social justice now

In February, the administration cut the graduate student health insurance subsidy for lack of funds. Notre Dame has now 100 million worth of building projects green lighted. It has received 50 million from one donor alone. When will it reinstate the health care subsidy?

Right now, a number of graduate students are forbidden by the University from taking a second job to support their families. Right now, there are graduate student families struggling to pay their insurance costs. Right now, there are fathers sending their families away because they cannot pay their health care bills.

That this happens at a such a well endowed Catholic university is a moral failure. Notre Dame needs to accompany its grand plans for a peace institute with some economic social justice, right now.

Jim Hogan
 graduate student
 Nov. 2

EDITORIAL CARTOON



Cheering lacked meaning

Notre Dame's traditions are second to none and I have loved being a part of that tradition throughout my lifetime. Certainly one of these great traditions includes the players holding their golden helmets in the air as the student section cheers.

That being said, I was not too thrilled with what occurred at the end of the Florida State game. As the players were leaving the field, they made their way once again over to the student section.

Notre Dame students then proceeded to scream and cheer louder than on any first down during the game, and louder than after any other home game this year, except for Washington State. I think strictly clapping for the team would have been the suitable way to show our players we are behind them.

I pose a question to the students. Do we enjoy going to the games simply to cheer, do the jig, eat a hot dog and have fun? It seems more and more students treat the game as a social outlet, and care little about the game's outcome.

I am not saying the games should be life or death, that you should be mad for a week after we lose, etc. I just want us to impart to the players, coaches, alumni and fans that we also care about winning. Last time I checked, winning was one of Notre Dame's greatest football traditions.

How much more gratifying will it be for the players to come over to the students after a win and tell a difference in the strength of our voices? Students simply clapping for our players after a big loss is still showing great support and no disrespect. Hell, students at Florida State would have left the game midway through the third quarter.

If anything, this is respecting Notre Dame and its traditions. It is respecting all the teams before us that worked so hard to continue Notre Dame's traditions and success. It is respecting our current players by fully supporting them, while still urging them to improve and letting them know we are not satisfied.

Knowing that we support them, but that we still desperately want success will have a better impact on the players than screaming and cheering every time they come off the field. I am pretty sure that our players would in no way be hurt if we simply clapped for them after the FSU game, especially considering the outcome of the game. In fact, I think deep down they might appreciate the fact that we support them, but that we still demand the best of them.

I assume this is one reason they chose to go to Notre Dame, to be the best they can be. We know, and the team knows, that 37-0 is not the best we can be. One thing I do not want the student body to do is lull the team into thinking that we are okay with mediocrity.

Notre Dame players have always had a strong desire to win, and this must continue. We expect them to be the best they can be, and during the game they expect us to be the best we can be. Let the team know that we are behind them, but at the same time, let them know that we expect the same effort, drive, desire and preparation as the players who went before them.

Quinn Eide
 sophomore
 Morrissey Manor
 Nov. 2



'I failed. I totally failed.'

Tired of hearing about students who claim they 'fail' but then end up with setting the curve?

"That was the worst test I have ever taken in my life. I am positive I failed. Maybe I should just quit school and quit life," junior Michael Flanagan said as he stormed out of his Accounting test shortly before break.

Tom Raaf

Scene Columnist

However, when he received his test grade from his professor after demanding it by e-mail sometime in the middle of fall break, he found that his grade was not quite as poor as he had thought; a 96 per-

cent, one of the best grades in the class.

This short little story is just one example of a terrible problem on the Notre Dame campus involving students who do well on tests but claim that they bombed them. I speak from personal experience in saying that there is nothing worse than when you walk home from a test with someone who rants about how poorly they did when in fact you know that they probably beat your score by upwards of 10 points, at worst getting an A-. I call this trend the Academic All-Star Pessimistic Plan to Success Team. By my rough calculations, this group is made up of nearly 25 percent of the students on campus. These are also typically the same students who badger teachers for test grades from the hour after the exam until they receive them by some other special earlier time than the rest of the class ... because of course everyone knows that if you know your last test grade a day before everyone else it gives you an undeniable edge over the class for that 24 hour period.

At first, I thought that

So to you All-Stars out there I say to you this: be proud of the amount you've studied, have confidence in your test performance, and, if nothing else, bank on the professor giving an unbelievable curve. Just don't tell me about your D- and then tuck away your A paper the minute you get it back.

these students were simply considering the worst-case scenario, in hopes that their grade would be better than they thought. Since my initial assessment, however, I have seen so many flagrant violations that I know that this is not the case. Anything under a 98 appears to constitute "failure" for many of these students. It seems as though these poor souls are searching for post-test failure pity while at the same time receiving good test score gratification. Sort of a getting your cake, eating it, throwing it up and eating it again type of philosophy.

Along with this usually comes the common lie about the amount of time these All-Stars studied for the test. "Oh, I just kind of flipped through my notes ... I think it shouldn't be too hard" can be easily translated into "I e-mailed my professor this summer and outlined

the course packet sometime in early July. I have known about this test since senior year of high school and am probably more prepared than the professor." As a result, non-All-Stars or prospective All-Stars feel a false sense of security and under-study for the tests.

So to you All-Stars out there I say this: be proud of the amount you've studied, have confidence in your test performance and, if nothing else, bank on the professor giving an unbelievable curve. Just don't tell me about your D- and then tuck your A paper away the minute you get it back.

Tom Raaf is a junior who is really not quite as bitter and cynical in real life as his columns might lead you to believe. He is a Libra and is most likely having a 4-star day today. Contact him at traaf@nd.edu.

Welcome

The new Fox hit 'The OC' is back

By EMILY HOWALD
Assistant Scene Editor

"Saved by the Bell" was the hit of the late '80s, "90210" left its mark on the late '90s, and with its growing popularity, Fox's new hit, "The OC", might possibly be considered the new "it" show for this decade.

The campus has become a bit calmer on Wednesday evening, as students have resorted to their rooms to watch the show and dramas unveil.

"The OC", which stands for The Orange County, premiered this past summer and after a very successful preliminary season, Fox ordered an additional nine episodes for the fall to bring the show to a full compliment of 22 episodes. The much anticipated fall season premiere began on Oct. 29 and will run every Wednesday at 9 p.m.

What's the show about?

"Welcome to the OC b----; this is how it's done in the Orange County," a phrase that was originally directed at the main character, Ryan Atwood (Benjamin McKenzie), has now become emblematic to the meaning of the hot new show.

Ryan, a young, sexy, misguided teenager from the

wrong neighborhood gets caught stealing a Camaro and ends up with a kindhearted public defender from the Orange County. Predictably, Ryan ends up living with his defender, Sandy Cohen (Peter Gallagher) after he is thrown out by his alcoholic mother, and he enters into a whole new realm of living, the root of the show, he enters into a life in The O.C.

Cohen's wife, Kirsten (Kelly Rowan) is hesitant about allowing this stranger into her home, especially since Ryan is the same age as her comical, although slightly nerdy son, Seth (Adam Brody). Ryan earns his place in their household, as he proves to the family that he is merely looking for a second chance at life, and the fact that he becomes somewhat enamored with the next-door neighbor, Marissa (Mischa Barton) aids in his promise of good behavior.

Ryan, Marissa, Seth, and Marissa's best friend, Summer (Rachel Bilson) develop a close friendship, even though it is a distinct separation between the rich and the poor, the cool and the nerdy. Ryan's hope for a romantic development is distorted when he meets Marissa's long-time boyfriend, Luke (Chris Carmack), and is bullied into understanding that Marissa is off-limits.

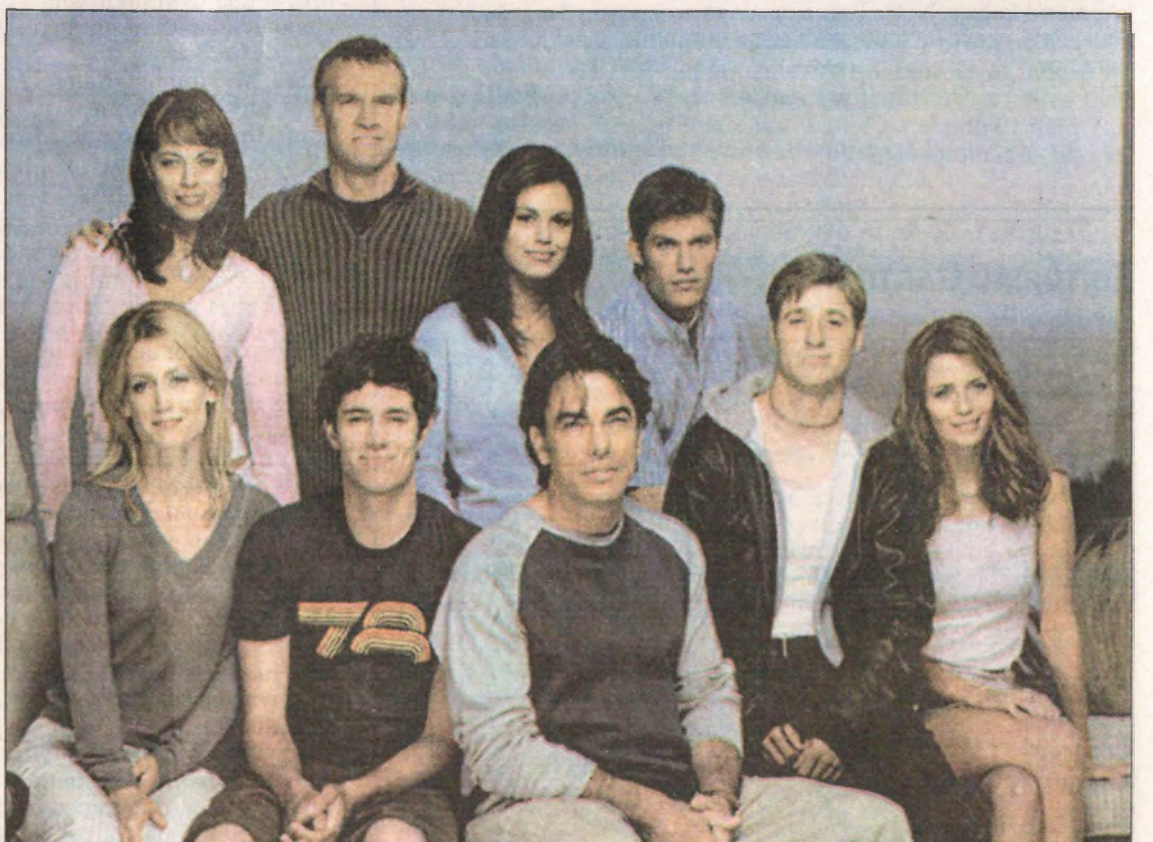
Seth has also had a deep lust

for Summer since the beginning of the show and the tension between them has grown as the plot has unveiled. Seth's witty humor and ability to make fun of nearly every situation, has appealed to Summer, although she fits the popular girl's battle as to whether she can associate herself with someone of a lesser social status.

Marissa's family life has gradually become more troublesome as the show progresses. For her father, Jimmy Cooper (Tate Donovan) has stumbled into trouble with the Securities and Exchange Commission. After he is nearly cast out from their rich community, his wife, Julie (Melinda Clarke) asks for a divorce. Jimmy turns to his longtime friend, Kirsten, and his lust for her becomes more apparent as he becomes more estranged from his family.

Ryan gradually develops a closer relationship with the Cohen family and he establishes a place within their home. Although trouble seems to follow him, he worked throughout the season to earn the respect of those who have helped him. Although he is still deemed somewhat deviant by the members of the Orange County, they have begun to accept him for Kirsten and Sandy have encouraged it.

At the finale of the summer



Ryan Atwood, the Cohens, the Coppers, and friends pose together as all of the main characters of Fox's hit "The OC." The show runs on Wednesday nights at 9 p.m.

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ome to 'The OC'

back on the air after a temporary hiatus ready to please the many fans



"The OC" cast sits together, with the main character, Ryan Atwood, in the center and his love interest on the left. They are with the other main characters of the show. "The OC" is Fox's newest hit.

and Seth finds himself in a love triangle, a position he is entirely unfamiliar with, and quite possibly, his humor may not save him. Summer's head begins to turn toward Seth when a new girl in school shows interest in the comical little Seth. Seth eventually has to make a decision, but expect a great deal of humor as Seth enters the unfamiliar territory of relationships.

Sandy leaves his position as a public defender, and tried his hand at more corporate law. He finds himself in a very compromising position when he is placed in a head-to-head battle with his wife's company.

Many other surprises are expected this season, but creator/writer Josh Schwartz said not to expect the typical teen drama.

"We always wanted to do a multi-generational show that was as much about adults as it was about the kids. We covered a lot of territory in seven episodes. It's impossible to keep moving that

interview.

Peter Gallagher is also excited at the opportunity to work on the show, but he is just happy that for once he is not portrayed as the bad guy. Gallagher has starred in *While You Were Sleeping*, *Johnny Skidmarks*, *The Man Who Knew Too Little*, *Center Stage*, and *American Beauty*, amongst others. Gallagher is excited about the content of the show as well.

"I never saw this as a teen drama. Why tell half the story when you can tell it all? There's no greater joy than watching people in a rich, gated community fall flat on their faces, and discover that regardless of income level, being a parent is the hardest job in the world," Gallagher said.

Kelly Rowan stars as Gallagher's wife and is known for her role in *Hook*, *Assassins*, and *187*. She is also very active in producing and has appeared in several television series.

Adam Brody, who is known as the geeky comic relief for the show, began perusing his career when his parents thought he was heading off to college. Brody has made several appearances on TV sitcoms, and he is appeared in *The Ring* and *Holding Out*.

Mischa Barton, the glamour

next-door neighbor, is a native of England landed her role on "The OC" at age 17. She began her career at the age of nine in New York and has landed many parts in numerous common features. She premiered in *Notting Hill* and *The Sixth Sense*, and has recently been spotted on Neutrogena ads.

The OC

"The OC" began as a replacement for the gap that was created by losing "Dawson's Creek," "90210," "Felicity", and many others, but it has developed into a hit show that stands on a level all by itself. It has evolved past the petty relationships of previous nighttime dramas and faces issues that are prevalent in society today. Although it may be a bit outlandish in its portrayal of the Orange County, it is, nonetheless, a new hit for the season.

So next Wednesday when you are looking for something to do, flip on Fox at 9 p.m. and "Welcome to The OC."

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session, Marissa, Seth, Ryan and Summer decide to take a customary end-of-the-summer trip to Tijuana. Marissa discovers that her parents are divorcing and as she tries to go and drink her problems away at a club she learns that Luke is cheating on her. Marissa escapes from the group and overdoses on pain medicine. Ryan, Summer, and Seth search for her, and at the conclusion of the show, Ryan finds her passed out in a gutter. This gripping conclusion has left much anticipation in the viewers as to the well-being of Marissa and the question of a possible, long-awaited relationship between Ryan and Marissa.

What to expect

As the second part of this first season commences, viewers should expect a lot of the drama to be unveiled in the first couple episodes.

"There are all sorts of surprises, but then again, they're not outrageous surprises. No one is abducted by aliens," Gallagher said of what to expect.

"We always wanted to do a multi-generational show that was as much about the adults as it was about the kids. We covered a lot of territory in seven episodes. It's impossible to keep moving that fast but the show moves. it's popping."

Josh Schwartz
creator/writer

Marissa survives her drug overdose, but immediately seeks help from Ryan because her mom tries to commit her into a mental institution. Ryan and Marissa comfort Julie, and Marissa blatantly explains to her mother that she chooses her father above anything else.

Ryan and Marissa begin their romance, but not without the disapproving glare from Julie, and Luke's battle to win her back. This relationship has been troubled from the start, but hopefully in the end it will work out in favor of the budding romantics.

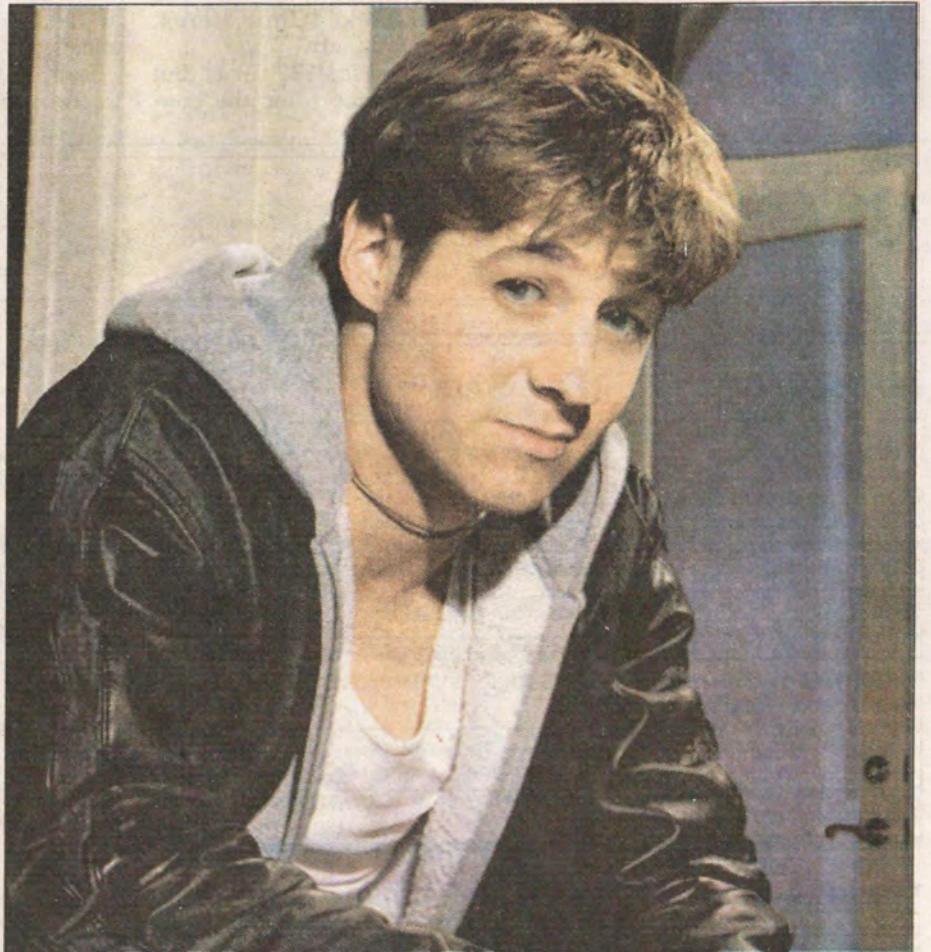
The teens go back to school

fast, but the show moves. It's popping," Schwartz said in a recent interview.

The cast

Benjamin McKenzie is a Texan boy who is a cross between James Dean and a young Russell Crowe. He recently moved to LA in hopes to pursue his acting dream, and he landed the lead role in "The OC" shortly after his arrival. The 24 year old actor isn't entirely like his bad boy personality that Fox depicts him as, however, cast members have said that it takes a bit to get him to crack a smile.

"It's a Fox thing, the bad-boy image. They're trying to type me out. There are worse things in life, you know. I'm just really excited about the opportunity," McKenzie recently said in California at an



Benjamin McKenzie poses as the bad boy. McKenzie plays the main character, Ryan Atwood, in the new hit "The OC."

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Sooners confident after huge win over State

Associated Press

NORMAN, Okla. — Bob Stoops silently stewed as he listened to the chatter coming from Oklahoma State all week.

Oklahoma's coach had the final say after the rout was over.

"Sometimes it's good to be doubted," Stoops said after his top-ranked Sooners beat No. 14 Oklahoma State 52-9 on Saturday.

"There's enough good things said about us. Sometimes it's good to have that sarcasm said about you."

Jason White threw for two touchdowns and ran for another and Oklahoma's defense was dominant once again in ending a two-game losing streak against the Cowboys.

Oklahoma (9-0, 5-0 Big 12) remains on track for the Big 12 title and a spot in the BCS' national title game — the Sugar Bowl — while Oklahoma State (7-2, 3-2) dropped a game behind Texas and into third place in the Big 12 South.

The loss all but ends the Cowboys' hopes of a BCS game.

It was the first time both teams came into the game ranked since 1988.

During the week, Oklahoma State coach Les Miles said the Sooners were the nation's best team "so we are told."

There's no more doubt which team is better.

The momentum of the game shifted late in the first quarter on Darrent Williams' fumble of a punt return. Williams fielded the ball, dropped it, then tried to pick it up. The ball squirted away and Oklahoma recovered at the 50.

Eight plays later, Kejuan Jones scored the first of his two touchdowns to give the Sooners a 17-0 lead early in the second quarter.

"They are an awfully good football team, we knew that coming in," a more contrite Miles said. "We didn't get exactly what we wanted from

our football team, but they certainly did."

In a game that featured two of the nation's top offenses, it was Oklahoma's heralded defense that stole the show.

Oklahoma State's celebrated trio of quarterback Josh Fields, running back Tatum Bell and receiver Rashaun Woods couldn't do much against the Sooners when the game was still competitive.

"All week the whole talk was about their offense," Stoops said. "You would have never thought we played any defense around here."

The Cowboys had more punts (5) than first downs (3) in the first half, and had more penalty yards (58) than offensive yards (47) late into the third quarter.

In the Sooners' final show of superiority, Oklahoma State failed to punch the ball into the end zone on three tries from the 1 early in the fourth quarter.

After Oklahoma stuffed full-back Shawn Willis on fourth down, the school-record crowd of 84,027 exploded into cheers, Stoops vigorously pumped his fist on the sideline and players were celebrating on the field.

Oklahoma State's only touchdown came on Williams' 11-yard return of an interception 26 seconds into the third quarter.

"We showed a lot of pride and toughness on defense," Stoops said. "Our defense not giving up a touchdown all day, that's the finest defense I've seen them play."

The Cowboys, who came into the game averaging 445 yards, were held to a season-low 161 yards.

Woods, who had 20 catches for 355 yards and four TDs in the previous two wins over OU, was held to four receptions for 25 yards. Fields was 9-of-24 for 62 yards with an interception and was sacked four times, three by Dan Cody.

Bell rushed for 122 yards, but most came long after the con-



Oklahoma quarterback Jason White rushes the ball during a game earlier this season. White and the Sooners are ready to continue their great season after thrashing Oklahoma State Saturday.

test had been decided.

"They pretty much dominated us," Oklahoma State guard Ben Buie said. "We had to get away from our game plan. They really didn't surprise us. We knew what they were going to do, but we just couldn't stop them."

Meanwhile, White had an off-game but connected when he needed to. He went 11-of-27 for 194 yards with two interceptions and two touchdowns and scored again on a 1-yard sneak.

Renaldo Works led the Sooners with 103 yards rushing

on 19 carries and Jones added 86 yards on 22 carries. Mark Clayton finished with six catches for 96 yards and a touchdown, the school-record 17th of his career.

"This was one of those hurdles we knew we had to get over," Jones said. "We came out fired up and knew we had to take care of business today."

The Sooners, who saw their 2001 national title hopes derailed by the Cowboys and then lost to them 38-28 last year, were eager to make amends.

Stoops, a former assistant at Florida under Steve Spurrier, even appeared to rub it in like his old boss used to.

The Sooners added two more touchdowns in the fourth quarter, including one off a reverse to receiver Mark Bradley, who then threw the ball to reserve quarterback Paul Thompson in the end zone.

The Sooners are now the owners of the nation's longest winning streak at 11 games. Oklahoma has won all seven games against Oklahoma State when ranked No. 1.

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When I watched the 1993 Notre Dame versus Florida State game, I've never been happier. Saturday was a different story.

Matt has a home game this weekend with an easy opponent and I'm guessing he's going to score

No Browns football this week

If you left the game early Saturday, you suck

I don't like Chris Rix

I just hope we beat since Navy because they are 6-3 and we are 2-6 and the last time that happened Roger Staubach was quarterback and the year was 1963.

If that happens this weekend, I might jump out the fourth floor of my hall

Go Browns

Burgle was out of control this weekend

NFL

Thomas leads Bears to 20-7 victory against Chargers

Associated Press

CHICAGO — After being idle the last two weeks, the A-Train is rumbling again.

Anthony Thomas ran for 111 yards and a pair of 1-yard scores to lead the Chicago Bears to a 20-7 victory over the San Diego Chargers on Sunday. It was Chicago's second victory in a row and third straight at home.

"We're trying to get a rhythm and momentum going for us," said Thomas, who missed the last two games with a sore foot.

Doug Flutie did his best to spoil the Bears' fun, though. Ten days after his 41st birthday, Flutie nearly pulled off another comeback after replacing Drew Brees in the fourth quarter.

He found Tim Dwight on a 22-yard pass, and rushed for another 17 yards to set up LaDainian Tomlinson's 3-yard score that pulled San Diego within 13-7 with 9:13 to play.

San Diego's defense got Flutie the ball back with plenty of time left. But Bears cornerback Charles Tillman downed the punt at the 1, and Flutie couldn't get the Chargers beyond the 17.

"I was just excited about the opportunity to get on the field and do something," Flutie said. "When you don't play and contribute, you feel like you're on the outside looking in a lot, especially when you're losing. ... You just want to be able to help out and do your part."

Baltimore 24, Jacksonville 17

Jamal Lewis had no place to run, rookie quarterback Kyle Boller was struggling and the Baltimore Ravens were having

difficulty getting a first down.

It was up to the Baltimore Ravens' defense to deliver a victory. As usual, Ray Lewis and his gang made it happen.

Lewis had 14 tackles and a key interception, and the Ravens benefited from three fourth-quarter turnovers by Byron Leftwich in a 24-17 victory over the Jacksonville Jaguars on Sunday.

The Ravens took a 13-10 lead into the fourth quarter, then converted Leftwich's two fumbles into 10 points before Lewis secured the win by picking off a tipped pass with 44 seconds left.

"When you play a team like we played today, you have to find a way to get your hands on the football," Lewis said. "We did exactly what we needed to do to come out and win."

The Jaguars (1-7) held the NFL's leading rusher in check and limited Baltimore to nine first downs, but the Ravens (5-3) won anyway.

Houston 14, Carolina 10

The Houston Texans told Tony Banks to avoid mistakes. He did, and they won.

Banks played an error-free game and hit tight end Billy Miller for a 20-yard touchdown pass early in the fourth quarter, helping Houston shut down the Carolina Panthers 14-10 Sunday.

Banks is the first quarterback other than David Carr to start for the second-year Texans (3-5). Carr was out with a sprained

right ankle.

"I'll feel better about picking my check up this week," said Banks, who didn't take a single snap last season.

Entering Sunday, his NFL career had been marked mostly by miscues: 100 turnovers in 85 games, mostly with the Ravens and Rams. But against Carolina's vaunted defense, he was 13-of-19 for 154 yards with the one touchdown and —

importantly — zero interceptions and zero fumbles.

Indianapolis 23, Miami 17

Peyton Manning had clutch completions, Edgerrin James found running room, and Mike Vanderjagt remained perfect.

With the game on the line, however, it was Dwight Freeney who saved the day for the Indianapolis Colts.

The speedy defensive end forced a fumble by sacking Brian Griese with two minutes left, and Indianapolis stopped a comeback bid by the Miami Dolphins to win 23-17 Sunday.

Manning threw for 266 yards and survived a potentially disastrous interception in the closing moments, thanks to Freeney's game-clinching hit.

"He can be a difference-maker," Manning said. "That was the biggest play of the game."

Working against rookie tackle Wade Smith, Freeney had two other sacks and also forced a Griese fumble that led to a first-half field goal. He helped the

"I was just excited about the opportunity to get on the field and do something."

Doug Flutie
Chargers quarterback



Chicago's Anthony Thomas runs the ball against San Diego Sunday. The Bears won 20-7 over the Chargers.

Colts limit Ricky Williams to 36 yards rushing, allowing the Indy offense to control the ball for nearly 38 minutes.

"The biggest problem we had was with Freeney," Miami coach Dave Wannstedt said. "That was probably the most dominant defensive performance we've seen in a long time. We couldn't handle him."

New York Giants 31, New York Jets 28

The New York Giants' special teams threw a changeup of sorts.

The much-maligned unit came up big twice, once after failing to win the game early in overtime, then after getting a gift from the Jets.

Brett Conway atoned for a missed field goal early in overtime by kicking a 29-yarder with four seconds to go, and the Giants overcame a dramatic four-touchdown performance by Chad Pennington with a 31-28 victory Sunday.

"I told him I had a feeling he was going to get another chance," Giants holder Jeff Feagles said of Conway. "It's kind of ironic, we missed the field goal, but then we won the game with the blocked field goal. I'm very happy for our special teams. We finally made some plays."

The unit was the big reason the Giants (4-4) came into the game needing a win as much as the Jets (2-6). Twice already this season, special teams mistakes turned wins into defeats.

Arizona 17, Cincinnati 14

Marcel Shipp is not running like a backup, behind Emmitt Smith or anyone else.

The bruising Arizona running back, the starter since Smith broke his left shoulder blade a month ago, rushed for 141 yards in 29 carries Sunday in the Cardinals' 17-14 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals.

Shipp became the first Cardinal in 11 years to have consecutive 100-yard rushing games. The fourth-year pro from

Massachusetts, who was not drafted, gained 165 yards last week in Arizona's 16-13 overtime victory over San Francisco.

That's 306 yards in two games. "I belong in this league, and I can play with anybody that lines up against us," the soft-spoken running back said.

Smith, the NFL's career rushing leader who was assured the starter's job when he signed with Arizona, should be back in a couple of weeks, and it will present coach Dave McGinnis with a tough decision.

Seattle 23, Pittsburgh 16

Dropped passes are a nuisance, not a disaster. Fans offer their encouragement, not contempt. And the Seattle Seahawks find ways to win despite their mistakes.

Welcome to Darrell Jackson's world.

Jackson scored a fourth-quarter touchdown on a 14-yard pass from Matt Hasselbeck and set up another late score with a 43-yard catch-and-run in Seattle's 23-16 victory over the slumping Pittsburgh Steelers on Sunday.

"I did well for myself in the second half," Jackson said.

The fourth-year receiver had a rough start, dropping six straight passes through three quarters. One would have been a certain touchdown, because Jackson found an open seam to the end zone in the first period.

Philadelphia 23, Atlanta 16

Donovan McNabb finally resembled that guy who's been to three Pro Bowls. All it took was playing the hapless Atlanta Falcons.

McNabb took advantage of an entirely revamped Atlanta secondary to throw for a season-high 312 yards, including a 37-yard touchdown pass to Freddie Mitchell, and the Eagles won 23-16 Sunday for their fifth victory in six games.

Atlanta (1-7) lost its seventh in a row, taking on the look of an increasingly desperate team. Embattled coach Dan Reeves tried to shake things up by starting four new defensive backs, but it didn't do much to slow McNabb.

The lowest-rated regular quarterback in the league coming in, McNabb completed 21 of 33 passes to go over 300 yards for the fourth time in his five-year career. His highest total this season had been 186 yards in Week 2.

Falcon starting quarterback Kurt Kittner, inserting Doug Johnson early in the fourth quarter.

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PGA TOUR

Goosen ousts charging Singh, wins tourney

Associated Press

PALM HARBOR, Fla. — Tiger Woods might be the first guy to call Retief Goosen and congratulate him for winning the Chrysler Championship on Sunday.

"I'm sure he will," Goosen said with a smile.

Goosen made back-to-back birdies late in the final round to turn back a final charge from Vijay Singh, closing with a 1-under 70 for a three-shot victory at Innisbrook.

That means Singh has to wait until the Tour Championship next week in Houston to try to capture the PGA Tour money title and end Woods' four-year reign.

It also kept alive Woods' slim hopes of winning the title for a record fifth straight year.

On a day when several players felt like winners, no one had more cause to celebrate than

Goosen, the stoic South African who enhanced his reputation as a tough customer when he's in the lead Sunday afternoon.

He never trailed on the tough Copperhead course, and when Singh made two birdies to cut the lead to one shot, Goosen responded with a 7-iron into 15 feet for birdie on No. 13 and two shots that led to an easy birdie on the par-5 14th.

Singh bogeyed the next hole, allowing Goosen to coast the rest of the way.

"Once I'm out there, I just want to get as far ahead as possible," said Goosen, who finished at 12-under 272. "Luckily, it happened for me again this week."

The week wasn't a total loss for Singh, who has won or been runner-up in his last four PGA Tour events.

The big Fijian, who could have clinched the money title with a victory, closed with a 70 to finish second alone. He earned \$518,400 to extend his lead on the money list to \$768,494 over Woods heading to the final tournament of the year.

"I don't think I have to win to win the money title, but I would like to win again next week," Singh said. "I'll figure it out when I get there."

To spare him the math, Singh only has to finish in a three-way tie for third. Woods has to win the Tour Championship to have any chance.

Chad Campbell (69) could have taken \$96,000 out of Singh's lead on the money list. He was tied for second until a triple bogey on the 18th, which sent him to a tie for fourth with Tim Petrovic.

Goosen wasn't the only winner.

Briny Baird (72) finished alone in third to make \$326,400, enough to move him up to 22nd on the money list and qualify for his first Tour Championship.

Petrovic (72) fell short of the Tour Championship, but the guy who once worked in a pizza restaurant in the Tampa Bay area still earned enough for a trip to the Masters.

No one went through an emotional roller coaster quite like Jeff Sluman.

He chipped in for eagle on the 11th hole and was poised to move up two spots to No. 40 and earn another trip to the Masters.

But Sluman made bogey on the 17th and 18th to fall into a tie for 14th. If Jose Coceres or Loren Roberts, both playing in the group behind, had birdied the 18th, Sluman would have come up about \$900 short of his Masters invitation.

Both made bogey.

"Why do I always have to make it interesting?" Sluman said after calling his wife to deliver the good news. "For everything I seemingly screwed up, I hung in there."

Glen Hnatiuk shot 74 and tied for 49th, but he moved up six spots on the money list to No. 124 to keep his card for next year.

The Canadian kept scrolling down the scores in the locker room after finishing his round, but he was a bottle of nerves and eventually cleaned out his locker and left.

Esteban Toledo of Mexico, who was disqualified for taking an improper drop at Disney that Marco Dawson didn't report for two days, finished at No. 125, but not by much.

Thomas Levet needed a birdie on the 18th hole to knock Toledo out, but missed the green to the right and could only manage a par.

The tournament turned out to be a pretty good show, too.

Goosen started the final round with a two-stroke lead over Baird, but he figured it would come down to him and Singh, who was three shots behind.

It didn't take long for that to prove correct.

After opening with a birdie to expand his lead, Goosen pulled his approach on No. 2 and was in such a difficult lie in the rough that he had to open the blade of his sand wedge for a flop shot. He was lucky to reach the fringe, then left his par putt 10 feet short.

Singh rifled his approach within 8 feet for birdie, and Goosen calmly made his bogey putt for only a two-shot swing that set the tone for the afternoon.

Both exchanged birdies and bogeys until Goosen pulled away with a birdie on No. 10 for a three-shot lead.

Singh wouldn't go away easily. He birdied the next two holes to get to within one shot of Goosen, but that was as close as he got.

"He's too good of a player to mess up," Singh said.

"Once I'm out there, I just want to get as far ahead as possible."

Retief Goosen
golfer

"I don't think I have to win the money title, but I would like to win again next week."

Vijay Singh
golfer

MARATHON RUNNING

Okayo breaks course record in NY

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Margaret Okayo surged past her closest competitors and took the lead with about seven miles to go in the New York City Marathon.

There was no doubt she would win. Only one question remained: What would the new course record become?

Okayo shattered the mark she set here in 2001 by nearly two minutes Sunday, finishing in 2 hours, 22 minutes, 31 seconds, and then dropped to her knees to kiss the ground. She led a Kenyan contingent that again dominated the race. Countryman Martin Lel won his first marathon ever, finishing in 2:10.30.

Perhaps Okayo should be nicknamed The Course Record Breaker. She also holds record times in the Boston Marathon and the San Diego Rock 'n' Roll Marathon.

"I didn't know I was going to break my own record, but I was just trying to do my best," Okayo said.

Reigning world champion Catherine Ndereba of Kenya was second among the women in 2:23:04, followed by Lornah Kiplagat, a native Kenyan who became a Dutch citizen this year, in 2:23:43. They also beat the previous course record.

"It's such an honor," Ndereba said about the Kenyan dominance. "We are very proud of us. We feel we've made our flag fly high."

With 35,104 entrants for the 26.2-mile run through the city's five boroughs — including producer-rapper Sean "P. Diddy" Combs — Okayo beat a strong field. And she did it on a warm day, with the temperature in the 60s.



API
Margaret Okayo and Martin Lel show off their medals after winning the women's and men's New York City marathon.

Following Lel, defending champion Rodgers Rop of Kenya was second among the men in 2:11:11 and countryman Christopher Cheboiboch was third in 2:11:23.

Seven of the top 10 men and four of the top 10 women were from Kenya. Five of the last seven men's champions have been from Kenya. The top three men last year were from Kenya.

"I am very happy because for sure we are representing our country," Lel said.

The top American man was Matt Downin of Bloody Brook, N.H., in 17th place in 2:18:48. The best U.S. woman was Sylvia Mosqueda of Los Angeles in 10th place at 2:33:11.

Lel and Okayo each won \$100,000, with Okayo getting a \$60,000 bonus for finishing under 2:23.

"The Americans have to get to work," Mosqueda said. "Kenyan women run well, Russian women run well. They do their

homework. They run fast, they deserve it. It's really going to take Americans to have a really great day to really come and catch these Kenyans."

Nine runners were bunched through the first half of the women's race, including Okayo, Kiplagat, former winner Ludmila Petrova, Ndereba and 2002 NYC Marathon winner Joyce Chepumba.

At the halfway mark, the women were on pace to set the record after covering 13.1 miles in 1:12:04.

Okayo, Kiplagat and Petrova pulled away from the front-runners at the 17-mile mark. Ndereba started to make a move around mile 18. With Kiplagat opening a small lead over Okayo, Ndereba passed Petrova for third.

But Okayo turned it on. She overtook Kiplagat for first and cruised to victory. Last year, she finished fifth after having back problems and was taken to the hospital after the race.

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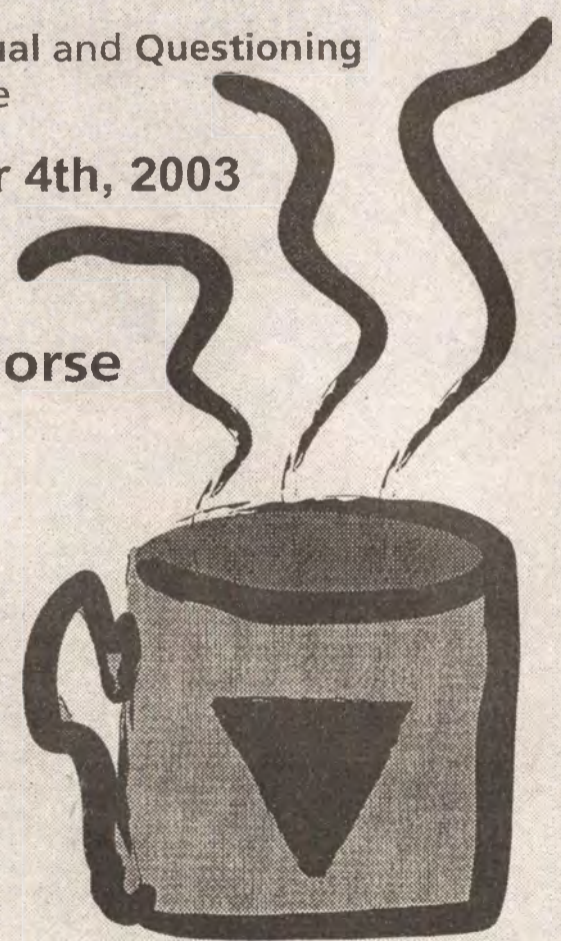
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NHL

Avalanche oust Rangers in overtime 3-2

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Nothing fazed the Colorado Avalanche.

Not a five-minute disadvantage in the first period, not a two-goal deficit in the third period, not a crowd giving a rare standing ovation to the host New York Rangers.

Because once the Avalanche got things rolling, Alex Tanguay led the way to a 3-2 overtime victory Sunday over the Rangers.

"We didn't get flustered, no matter what happened," coach Tony Granato said.

Tanguay scored the tying goal in the third period and assisted on Karlis Skrastins' winner 1:14 into overtime to stretch his NHL season-best point streak to nine games.

Skrastins' shot struck the right post behind Mike Dunham and then caromed off the goalie's skate and in to win it.

"It was a good pass from Tanguay. I shot it, but I didn't see where the puck go," said Skrastins of Latvia. "It was a big goal for me and a big game for the team."

The Avalanche won four times last season when trailing after two periods. This was the first time they did it in four tries this season.

Toronto 2, Carolina 1

Mikael Tellqvist expects to be sent to the minors within the next few weeks. Until then, the rookie goaltender is making the most of his stay in the NHL.

Mats Sundin gave the Toronto Maple Leafs an early spark and Tellqvist stopped 24 shots in a 2-1 win over the Carolina Hurricanes on Sunday night.

Toronto wasted little time

rebounding from its embarrassing 7-1 home loss to Philadelphia on Saturday, jumping on the Hurricanes for two early goals to snap a three-game losing streak.

"It always feel good to see the guys get off to a good start like that and be on their toes from the beginning," Tellqvist said.

Tellqvist, up from the minors because of an injury to backup goaltender Trevor Kidd, lost his shutout when Ron Francis scored a power-play goal with 9:33 left.

Kidd is nursing a shoulder injury and may return as soon as this week.

"I know my role in the organization," said Tellqvist, the 70th overall pick in the 2000 draft. "We'll just wait and see what happens. I'm expecting to be sent to the minors."

Dallas 7, Nashville 3

Bill Guerin notched his second hat trick in three games, and the fifth of his career, and added an assist to lead the Dallas Stars past the Nashville Predators 7-3 Sunday night.

Brenden Morrow, Niko Kapanen, Mike Modano and Jason Arnott each added a goal and an assist for the Stars.

Guerin now has nine goals this season, second only to Atlanta's Ilya Kovalchuk, who has 11.

Dallas jumped out to a 3-0 lead before Nashville rookie defenseman Marek Zidlicky narrowed the deficit to two with a score 6:49 into the second.

Kimmo Timonen and Scott Walker later added power-play goals for the Predators.

Sergei Zubov added three assists and Stu Barnes two for the Stars, while goaltender



Colorado's Alex Tanguay skates after the puck at a game earlier this season. Tanguay helped lead the Avalanche to a 3-2 victory over the New York Rangers Sunday night.

Marty Turco made 21 saves.

Nashville starting goalie Tomas Vokoun gave up six goals on 22 shots, before being pulled 5:29 into the third period. Chris Mason made 10 saves on 11 shots in relief.

It was the second of back-to-back games between the teams, following a 1-1 tie Saturday night in Nashville.

Chicago 3, Anaheim 1

Steve Sullivan and Kyle Calder scored power-play goals and Scott Nichol added another score to lead the Chicago Blackhawks to a 3-1 win over the Anaheim Mighty Ducks on Sunday night.

Chicago rookie Michael Leighton stopped 29 shots for his first win of the season. He lost his shutout when Vaclav

Prospal scored 6:02 into the third period.

The Blackhawks, who have lost just once in their last eight games (4-1-3), reached the .500 mark at 5-5-3.

Anaheim's Jean-Sebastien Giguere made his first start in five games, finishing with 22 saves. His record slipped to 1-6-0.

Sullivan opened the scoring at 6:14 left in the first period, scoring on the power play with a low, screened shot from the top of the slot.

Atlanta 2, San Jose 2

Marco Sturm scored off a scramble in front of the net with less than three minutes remaining to rally the San Jose Sharks to a 2-2 tie with the Atlanta Thrashers on Sunday night.

The tying goal came after Atlanta goalie Pasi Nurminen tried to trap the puck against his chest. But Sturm swoop in and scored his third of the season.

The scramble was part of a frenzied finale in which both teams had good scoring chances late in regulation and overtime.

Slava Kozlov gave Atlanta a 2-1 lead with five minutes remaining. Daniel Tjarnqvist's shot from the point hit the post behind San Jose goalie Evgeni Nabokov, and the rebound came to Kozlov, who was positioned at the side of the net.

San Jose extended its unbeaten streak to three games. The Sharks won for the first time in eight games Saturday, beating Florida 6-2.

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College Football Polls

AP		Coaches	
team		team	
1	Oklahoma (65)	Oklahoma (63)	1
2	USC	USC	2
3	Florida State	Florida State	3
4	LSU	LSU	4
5	Virginia Tech	Virginia Tech	5
6	Miami	Ohio State	6
7	Ohio State	Miami	7
8	Michigan	Michigan	8
9	Georgia	Georgia	9
10	Iowa	Iowa	10
11	Texas	Texas	11
12	Washington State	TCU	12
13	TCU	Washington State	13
14	Michigan State	Purdue	14
15	Bowling Green	Michigan State	15
16	Purdue	Nebraska	16
17	Florida	Tennessee	17
18	Tennessee	Minnesota	18
19	Nebraska	Florida	19
20	Mississippi	Bowling Green	20
21	Oklahoma State	Pittsburgh	21
22	Missouri	Oklahoma State	22
23	Northern Illinois	Northern Illinois	23
24	Minnesota	Mississippi	24
25	Pittsburgh	Louisville	25

Women's Volleyball Top 25

team	record	points
1	USC	20-0 1,625
2	Hawaii	23-1 1,549
3	Florida	22-1 1,505
4	Georgia Tech	22-0 1,411
5	Pepperdine	17-2 1,354
6	California	18-2 1,311
7	Kansas State	20-0 1,179
8	UCLA	16-4 1,147
9	Stanford	15-5 1,121
10	Washington	15-5 1,100
11	Nebraska	18-3 940
12	Northern Iowa	18-3 805
13	Loyola Marymount	21-3 794
14	NOTRE DAME	17-2 781
15	Santa Clara	14-8 662
16	Colorado State	18-4 572
17	Penn State	18-4 473
18	San Diego	15-6 456
19	UC Santa Barbara	13-6 415
20	Wisconsin	16-5 391
21	Texas A&M	16-5 320
22	Louisville	13-4 272
23	Minnesota	15-7 262
24	Missouri	16-4 213
25	Illinois	17-3 130

Eye on Irish Opponents

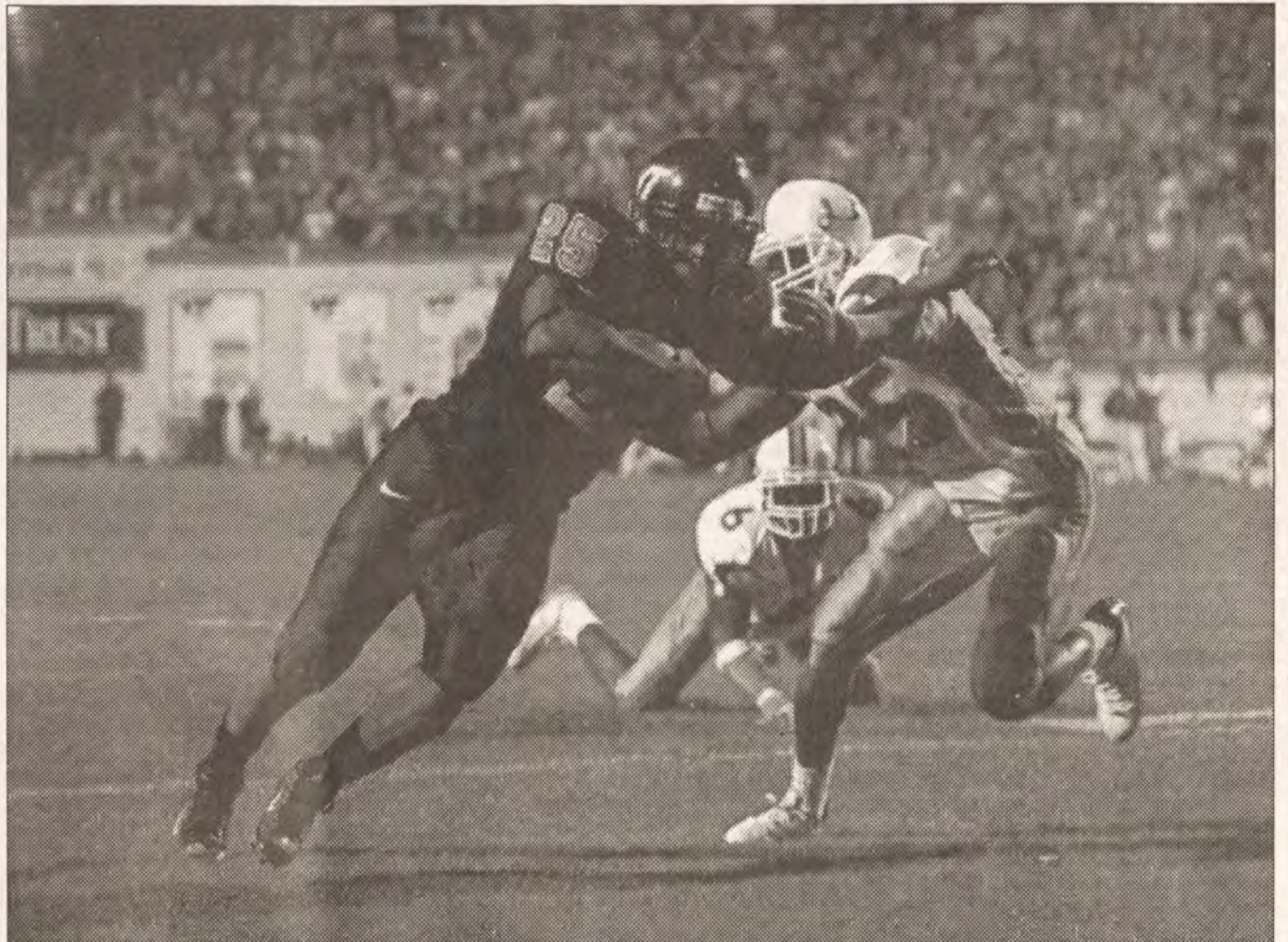
Saturday

NAVY (6-3) at NOTRE DAME (2-6)
 UCLA at WASHINGTON STATE (7-2)
 MICHIGAN STATE (7-2) at Ohio State
 Iowa at PURDUE (7-2)
 Virginia Tech at PITTSBURGH (6-2)
 West Virginia at BOSTON COLLEGE (5-4)
 FLORIDA STATE (8-1) at Clemson
 Arizona State at STANFORD (3-4)
 Temple at SYRACUSE (4-3)

Off

MICHIGAN (8-2)
 USC (8-1)
 BRIGHAM YOUNG (4-6)

COLLEGE FOOTBALL



Kevin Jones escapes a tackle during No. 10 Virginia Tech's 31-7 win over No. 2 Miami Saturday. The loss was Miami's first of the season.

Miami falls to VT, title picture opens

Associated Press

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Virginia Tech blew the national championship race wide open Saturday night — and got back its pride — with the biggest victory in its history, 31-7 over No. 2 Miami.

The No. 10 Hokies (7-1, 3-1 Big East) got two touchdowns from their defense and another on a 10-yard drive set up by the defense to end Miami's 39-game regular season winning streak, its 27-game winning streak in the Big East and perhaps its hope for a third straight championship appearance.

It was the first victory in Virginia Tech history in 40 games against teams ranked No. 8 or higher, and came just 10 days after one of the Hokies' most humbling losses in 111 seasons, 28-7 at West Virginia.

"People were talking about how we were a fluke and all this other stuff," said linebacker Michael Crawford, whose 44-yard interception return set up a touchdown. "We demonstrated toughness tonight."

The Hokies held Miami to 377 yards, many of them coming after Virginia Tech had used its big-play defense to open a 31-0 lead. The Hurricanes' only touch-

down didn't come until just 7:53 remained.

Miami (7-1, 3-1) hadn't lost in league play since a 43-10 wipeout here on Nov. 13, 1999, and the Hokies came up with a similar effort this time to get back into the race after they seemed to have been ushered out.

"It feels real good. Real good," said DeAngelo Hall, who started the rout with a 28-yard fumble return after stripping the ball from Roscoe Parrish on a reverse early in the second quarter.

"It kind of hurt us a little bit seeing how with one loss we dropped down like that" in the polls. It was just

crazy. We wanted to come out tonight and show people we were for real."

Virginia Tech did it the way it has so often under coach Frank Beamer, getting stout defense — and offense — from its defense and riding a thunderous wave of appreciation from 65,115 fans to victory.

"When things have been so rough here for about 10 days, to get one like this just seems all that much better," Beamer said.

It was his first victory in 20 games against a top-eight team, the only top-10 victories in 23 since 1987 coming against a pair of No. 9 teams.

IN BRIEF

Fan injured in fall from Soldier Field stairway

CHICAGO — A 32-year-old man was in serious condition after falling from a stairway on the third level of new Soldier Field during Sunday's game between the Bears and San Diego.

Chicago police would not release the fan's name, citing federal privacy laws.

The man was on an exterior stairway on the southwest side of the stadium when he fell, according to a joint statement from the Bears and the Chicago Park District. Police spokeswoman JoAnn Taylor said the man landed on a grassy area and was taken to Northwestern Memorial Hospital.

She wouldn't release any details on his injuries.

Soldier Field was refurbished as part of a \$606 million lakefront beautification project, and reopened Sept. 29. The stadium's stately old colonnades remain, but a new seat-

ing bowl was built between them. There are four levels of seats on the west side of the stadium.

Pyatt leaves field on stretcher after injury

MIAMI — Brad Pyatt of the Indianapolis Colts was removed from the field on a stretcher Sunday after he hurt his sternum returning a punt against the Miami Dolphins. He was walking less than an hour later.

The game was delayed 10 minutes before Pyatt was lifted onto a stretcher. Pyatt moved his right thumb as he was wheeled off the field.

The rookie was hit after returning a punt 11 yards. Miami's Tommy Hendricks was also shaken up on the play but walked off the field.

Globetrotters defeat Michigan St. in exhibition

EAST LANSING, Mich. — The Harlem Globetrotters, with Larry Bird on hand as honorary coach,

beat Michigan State 97-83 in an exhibition Sunday and stretched their winning streak to 283 games.

Behind 38 points from former UCLA guard Darrick Martin, including 18 in the last 6 1/2 minutes, the Globetrotters avenged a 72-68 loss to the Spartans in November 2000 that snapped a 1,270-game win string.

Paul Davis had 19 points to lead Michigan State. But the Spartans' main highlight focused on the return of Magic Johnson and a weekend reunion of the 1979 NCAA champions.

With college and pro rival and close friend Bird coaching the Globetrotters, Johnson was 2-for-3 and had five points and four assists in 16 minutes.

After Saturday's dedication of a 12-foot statue — "Always A Champion" — outside Breslin Center, Johnson joined former coach Jud Heathcote and his teammates from 25 years ago for a celebration.

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ND CROSS COUNTRY

Irish win Big East

By **JOE LINDSLEY**
Sports Writer

Running at New York's Van Cortland Park Friday, the fifth-ranked Notre Dame women's cross country team claimed its second straight Big East title, while the No. 24 Irish men's team finished second ahead of some higher-ranked opponents.

While the women had all five of their scoring runners in the top 20, they did not repeat last year's success, which included then-sophomore Lauren King claiming the individual title.

This year, Providence's Kim Smith finished 36 seconds ahead of Notre Dame's top runner, sophomore Molly Huddle. Huddle, who finished second last year, directly behind King, arrived at the finish line in third place with a time of 20:47.

Over the past two seasons, the Irish lineup has generally been led by the duo of Huddle and King, with King leading more races last year and Huddle going ahead more often this season. Friday, though, junior Kerry Meagher, in her first season running varsity, surged to second for the Irish and sixth overall as she earned her first Big East all-conference honor.

Last spring, Meagher was a regional finalist in the 1,600 meters — an accomplishment that encouraged her to train harder for the upcoming cross-country season. Given the hard

work and extra mileage she put in over the summer months, the junior was pleased to earn all-conference honors and to finish second for the team, but she was not thrilled when she passed her classmate King on the course.

"I wasn't really excited to pass her, because that meant she was not running as well as she usually does," Meagher said.

Notre Dame's team total of 59 points put the Irish ahead of Big East rivals Providence and Georgetown. The Friars and Hoyas each finished with 80 points, but Providence won the tie-breaker to claim second place.

Prior to last season, the Irish women had never won a Big East title, and now, winning each of the last two years is a proud moment for the team.

As a result of the team's success, coach Tim Connelly was named Big East Coach of the Year.

While the men failed to win the Big East title at Van Cortland Park for just the second time in the five championships held at the course, the Irish nevertheless had a productive day. Notre Dame, ranked 24th, failed to catch No. 13 Georgetown but the Irish finished just one point ahead of No. 11 Villanova.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Brewster having stellar season

Middle blocker leads country in blocks

By **HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN**
Sports Writer

She leads the nation in blocking, dominated the voting for Big East Player of the Week and leads the Irish in hitting percentage and points.

Middle blocker Lauren Brewster has been simply outstanding.

It all started over fall break when Brewster registered a double-double against the North Carolina Tar Heels, with a career high 20 kills and 10 blocks.

"I think that she just had a great match all the way around at North Carolina," head coach Debbie Brown said.

Brewster carried the team over fall break, garnering Big East Player of the Week honors for the third time in four weeks. The week that Brewster did not receive the honor, the Irish were idle.

"It has been a real honor," Brewster said. "If you look at the people in the Big East, there are a lot of talented girls. There are a lot of talented girls just on our team."

Amongst the great talent of the Irish, Brewster has emerged as a young leader of sorts. Senior setter Kristen Kinder has not hesitated to set Brewster the

ball when the Irish need a kill, and the rest of the team has elevated their play since Brewster has boosted the offense.

"There's just something about it when you have someone who is playing at such a high level for a long time," Brown said. "The confidence that it allows the rest of the team to have is huge."

Brewster leads the nation with an average of 1.83 blocks per game, and leads the Irish with a .373 attack percentage. She also leads the Irish with an average of 4.93 points per game. Brewster is second on the team in kills per game, with 3.54, behind Emily Loomis' 3.56 average.

However, for Brewster, her strong play is not about the numbers.

"I am having a lot more fun," Brewster said. "Playing with the girls on the team is amazing and it's so fun playing with them."

Brewster is accustomed to success. At Brentwood High School in Tennessee, she was a four-time state champion in volleyball and was named MVP of the state tournament her junior and senior year. By the time she graduated, she had set Tennessee state records for kills in a season and kills in a career. Brewster earned all-state honors her last two seasons before coming to Notre Dame.

Last season, Brewster made an immediate impact as a true freshman, leading the Irish to the top blocking ranking in the country. She was named honor-

able mention all-Big East as a result of her efforts.

But this year, Brewster had no idea she would play this well.

"I'm not really sure what I thought coming into this season," she said. "I was really unsure, so obviously this season has exceeded my expectations thus far."

Brewster credits a new mentality for her recent successes.

"I just try to be more focused now," Brewster said. "I set more goals for myself, just for motivation."

Brown loves the fact that Brewster has been making the effort needed to get better.

"You see her getting better and better, and that's nice," Brown said.

But that's not her favorite part about Brewster, who is only a sophomore.

"[Brewster's age] is what is really nice," Brown said with a smile.

But despite the awards and the praise, Brewster doesn't dwell on her success — she just wants to play volleyball.

"I love it when someone on our team does something really, really well, and you look over and the whole team is really excited — the girls on the court, the girls on the bench," Brewster said. "It's just the best feeling in the world."

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The Career Center's Fall 2003 Workshops



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NOVEMBER

4 TUES.	Alumni Networking Session Quick Tips	4:00-5:50 7:00	CRC O'Neill Hall Lounge
5 WED.	UNLOCK YOUR NONPROFIT CAREER Co-Sponsored with CSC and the ND Nonprofit Business Masters Program	5:15-6:15	114 Flanner/ CRC
6 THURS.	Office Visits: The Site Interview	4:00-5:00	CRC
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13 THURS.	Writing Resumes and Cover Letters Alumni Networking Session	4:00 5:00-5:55	CRC CRC
17 MON.	Writing Resumes and Cover Letters	4:00	CRC
18 TUES.	A CAREER in LAW - JUDGE MANIER -Political Science Careers Speakers Co-Sponsored with Political Science Department	5:30-6:30	G-20 Flanner (lower level)
19 WED.	Job Search Beyond On-campus Interviews	5:15-6:15	CRC

DECEMBER

2 TUES.	Writing Resumes and Cover Letters Alumni Networking Session	4:00 6:30-7:20	CRC CRC
7 SUN.	Alumni Networking Session	12:00-12:55	CRC

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The Career Center's Fall 2003 Workshops

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DEC. 7	SUN.	12:00 - 12:55	CRC

Writing Resumes & Cover Letters

NOV. 13	THURS.	4:00	CRC
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DEC. 2	TUES.	4:00	CRC

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Architecture Career Expo
McKenna Hall - CCE
Thursday, March 18, 2004
4:00pm - 6pm

Non-Profit Career Fair
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Wednesday, March 24, 2004
TBA

ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Irish head to South Carolina for tourney

Team hopes to play like it did in early part of season

By ANNIE BRUSKY
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's golf team has high expectations for the Edwin Watt/Palmetto Dunes Intercollegiate, their final tournament of the fall season, which will be held today and Tuesday in Charleston, S.C.

The last time these five girls played together, nearly two months ago, the Irish won the tournament and their score shattered the existing school record by 10 strokes.

"We hope to play as well as we did in the beginning of the year," sophomore Katie Brophy said. "We want to go out of the fall season with a strong finish."

"We've been playing a lot and we're ready." The Irish lineup, which has changed for every tournament, will consist of freshmen Noriko Nakazaki and Stacy Brown, Brophy, junior Karen Lotta and senior Shannon Byrne.

Nakazaki leads the team in scoring average.

"She's pretty much a machine out there," Brophy said. "She works really hard and she deserves all the success she's getting right now."

Byrne, meanwhile, enters her final fall tournament playing the best golf of her collegiate career.

"Everyone's just kind of picking up their game right now, which is good because that's the direction we want to be heading," Brophy said. "The whole team is raising their level of play this year."

This week's tournament will consist of two rounds of 24 holes and boasts a strong, competitive field.

"We want to go out of the fall season with a strong finish. We've been playing a lot and we're ready."

Katie Brophy
sophomore team member

After jumping more than 50 spots in the nationwide rankings, however, the Irish are confident they can once again be successful.

The changes on our team within the last year have been pretty drastic," Brophy said. "Coach [Debby King] is working us really hard."

"We had to redefine our goals because the other ones we had before weren't sufficient for the potential this team has. We've definitely raised our expectations."

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SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Saint Mary's finishes sixth at MIAA meet

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's cross country team finished in sixth place at the MIAA Championships Saturday morning at Albion College, running its way past Olivet and Adrian.

Calvin College won the MIAA championship with 28 points. The overall winner was Calvin's Jessie Lair, who ran the course in 21:58.

Kalamazoo finished in second with 64 points and Hope came in third with 75.

Prior to the 6,000-meter race, coach Dave Barstis and the Belles were resigned to Calvin, Kalamazoo and Hope being stronger conference opponents.

But Saint Mary's was looking to knock off Albion, Alma and Adrian, teams with what he said was more comparable talent.

The Belles finished with 165 total points, 11 points ahead

of Adrian and only 18 behind fifth place Alma.

The home course could have helped Albion as well, who finished with 119 points.

The results of the race have the Belles in sixth, but Saint Mary's ran hard and could have easily slid up to fourth.

The Belles two runners finished in the top 50 on the hilly golf course at Albion.

Freshman Sara Otto placed 22nd with a time of 24:42, and freshman Erin Nolan ran a 25:38.

Junior Elizabeth Commers (52nd place, 25:39), freshman Katie White (55th place, 25:48) and senior Jessica Kosco (69th, 26:12) rounded off the Belles' top five.

The time gap between the first and fifth runner was 1:30, a steep drop from the season-best 49-second gap at the Eagle Invitational at Benedictine University to end the regular season.

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WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

ND picked to finish 3rd in Big East

Special to The Observer

Connecticut, the defending NCAA champion, has been chosen to win the 2003-04 Big East women's basketball regular season title. The poll is determined by a vote of the league's head coaches who were not permitted to place their own teams on their ballots.

The Huskies garnered all possible 13 first-place votes to finish with 169 points in the poll. This marks the 11th consecutive season that Connecticut has been chosen to win the regular season title, including divisional titles from 1995-96 through 97-98.

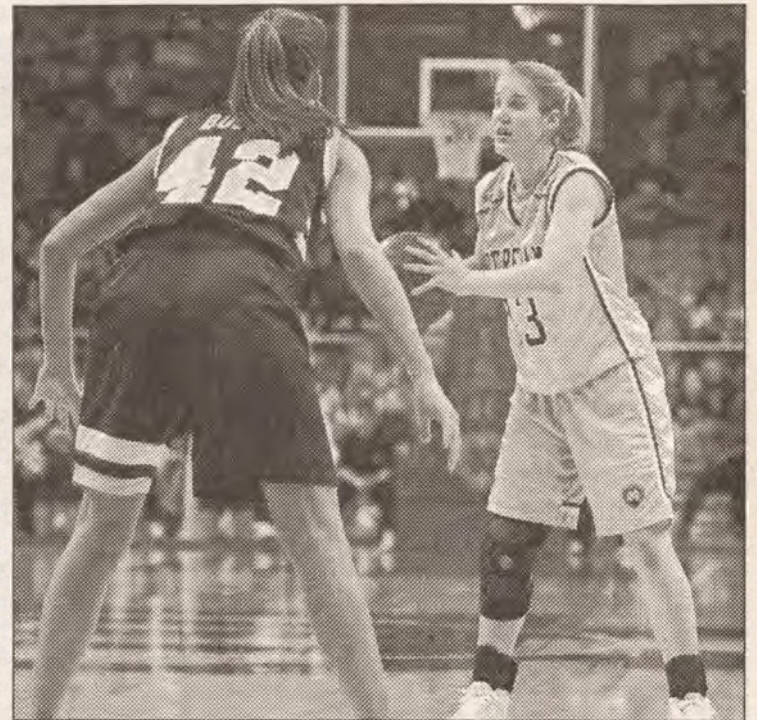
The Huskies have won at least a share of the last 10 regular season titles and have been Big East Tournament champions nine of the last 10 years.

The 2002-03 Connecticut team (37-1, 16-0 Big East) broke the NCAA record for consecutive games won (54) and extended that streak to 70 consecutive victories (Nov. 9, 2001-March 10, 2003).

After losing in the Big East Championship final, the Huskies went on to win six straight for their second straight and fourth overall NCAA title. This year Connecticut will be led by consensus National Player of the Year Diana Taurasi, a senior guard.

Rutgers earned the remaining first-place vote and 156 points for a second-place finish in the poll. Last year, the Scarlet Knights posted a 21-8 record and made a return trip to the NCAA Championship.

The record marked the best



CARRIE PETERS/Observer File Photo

Sophomore point guard Megan Duffy and her Irish teammates were picked to finish third in a Big East preseason poll.

turnaround in Division I from the 2001-02 season when Rutgers was 9-20. Coach C. Vivian Stringer welcomes back four starters, including junior guard Cappie Pondexter, the 2002-03 Big East Rookie of the Year.

Notre Dame (21-11) earned 139 points to finish third in the poll. The Irish played in the NCAA Championship for the eighth straight year and advanced to the Sweet 16 for the fifth time under coach Muffet McGraw.

Notre Dame finished 21-11 for its 10th consecutive 20-win sea-

son. Junior forward Jacqueline Batteast, a member of the 2003-04 Preseason All-Big East First Team, is expected to lead the Irish.

Virginia Tech is the fourth pick with 124 points. The Hokies advanced to the second round of the NCAA Championship with a 22-10 mark.

Senior forward Ieva Kublina is a member of the Preseason All-Big East First Team. Boston College, Miami and Villanova, the defending Big East Tournament champion, round out the top half of the poll.

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Sophomore forward/midfielder Kate Thorlakson attempts to steal a ball against Villanova Oct. 5. Thorlakson had a goal to help lift Notre Dame to a win over Miami Sunday.

Overtime

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ed the first overtime we told ourselves to just keep going at them," Guertin said. "We felt it coming; it was just a matter of when. Sometimes they just don't go in. We should have finished a few earlier but that's what happens sometimes."

"I got a little nervous at the beginning of the overtime," Waldrum said. "I felt like we'd been all over them, especially in the second half where I thought we'd played a lot better and created a lot of chances but at that point I was starting to plan out who was going to be taking our penalty kicks [if the game remained tied through two

overtimes]. Once you get to that point, the best team doesn't always win."

The Irish got on the board first as Katie Thorlakson hit a low shot from the left side that beat Miami goalkeeper Alex Alford. Carpenter and senior Amy Warner were credited with assists on the play.

Miami struck back with less than two minutes to go, as Jackie Garcia scored after a Notre Dame foul. The Hurricanes seemed disorganized as they were setting up the play, shooting it quickly. Bohn was unable to reach the shot as it went in the right side of the goal.

The Irish also continue to be hit by the injury bug, as senior captain Amy Warner suffered an ankle injury midway through

the second half. She did not return, and her status for the upcoming Big East and NCAA Tournament games is uncertain.

NOTRE DAME 2, MIAMI 1 at ALUMNI FIELD

	1st	2nd	OT	Total
NOTRE DAME	1	0	1	2
MIAMI	1	0	0	1

Scoring Summary

ND — Thorlakson, Katie (10), 15:47 (Warner, Amy)
UM — Garcia, Jackie (1), 17:26 (unassisted)
ND — Guertin, Amanda (11), 92:54 (Warner, Amy)

Notre Dame — Saves 2 (Bohn), Shots 27 (Thorlakson 8), Corner kicks 11, Fouls 8
Miami — Saves 7 (Alford), Shots 5 (Buther, Britney 4), Corner kicks 3, Fouls 13

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story as the Irish came out slow, but picked it up early, after trying the score at nine.

Led by junior Emily Loomis, the Irish found their offensive punch and were able to come up with a .220 hitting percentage, good enough to win the game. Loomis had

eight kills in the last game alone and finished with 19 on the match to lead the Irish.

"Loomis had a good match offensively. Mentally, for her it was good to get back in a rhythm and for [setter] Kristen [Kinder] to have the confidence to go to her."

Notre Dame only hit .171 on the match, well below their season average of .257. But, the Irish were able to come away with the win, and that was what mattered.

"We are looking at bigger and

better things," Brown said.

NOTRE DAME 3, SYRACUSE 0 at the JOYCE CENTER

NOTRE DAME	30	30	30
SYRACUSE	16	26	21

Notre Dame — Kills 44 (Loomis, Emily 19), Assists 123 (Loomis 43), Digs 51 (Kinder, Kristen 10), Blocks 29 (Kelbley, Lauren 9), Hitting percentage .171 (Kinder, Kristen .625), Aces 42 (Kinder, Kristen 24)

Syracuse — Kills 32 (Logan, Jessica 7), Assists 129 (Conway, Kristen 32), Digs 49 (Duan, Kelly 12), Blocks 16 (McQuillin, Christen 4), Hitting percentage .008 (Dommestrup, Aila .400), Aces 30 (Dommestrup 12)

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Hockey

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the shots and cleared the rebounds when they were there.

"We really wanted to sweep our first series of the year and our defense played really well."

Brown's teammates gave him a lead early in the game, with Michael Bartlett scoring early in the first period. It would be all that the goalie would need, but his team added an insurance goal on the power play just ten minutes later as defenseman Neil Komadoski scored his first goal of the season.

It was perhaps one of the best periods offensively and defensively for the Irish, as they out-shot the Mavericks 18-4 in the first stanza.

"I thought our first period was one of the best we played all year," said head coach Dave Poulin. "We did all the little things well. It really was about as well as we could play."

The Mavericks countered Brown with a freshman of their own, Chris Holt, who came into the game with a goal against average of over 6. It didn't take long for the Irish to beat the

rookie.

Bartlett forced a turnover by a Maverick defenseman and skated in on Holt. He wrested a quick shot past the goalie, beating him high to the glove side for the first Irish goal just 2:11 into the game.

Notre Dame would then take advantage of two Maverick penalties, scoring a power-play goal with the two-man advantage on a tic-tac-toe play.

Defenseman Brett Lebda took the puck into the offensive zone, then sent a perfect cross to Globke, who followed with a cross back to Komadoski, who had set up on the right post.

NOTRE DAME 2, NEBRASKA-OMAHA 0 at JOYCE CENTER

	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
NOTRE DAME	2	0	0	2
NEBRASKA-OMAHA	0	0	0	0

Scoring Summary

ND — Bartlett, Michael (2), 2:11 (Jindra, T.J.)
ND — Komadoski, Neil (1), 12:51 (Lebda, Brett 3, Globke, Rob 5)

Notre Dame — Saves 22 (Brown), Shots 32, Penalties 6
Nebraska-Omaha — Saves 30 (Holt), Shots 22, Penalties 4

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Win

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early in the second half. Prescod spun around a defender and drilled a shot past Wildcats' goaltender Craig Bald at the 52:47 mark.

Etherington later assisted on an insurance goal from Justin Detter at 84:28.

The stakes were high, so the game was physical, with 34 total fouls whistled. Notre Dame was on the receiving end of those calls 19 times.

Villanova finished with 11 shots and Notre Dame finished with seven.

The Irish are now 8-1-0 all-time versus Villanova and 5-0-0 at Alumni Field.

Notre Dame closed the conference schedule strong after dropping two straight Big East games to Rutgers (5-2) and Connecticut (1-0). The Irish finished with three consecutive victories over Providence (2-0), Virginia Tech (2-1) and Villanova.

Notre Dame is the third seed in the Big East and will host sixth seed Connecticut Sunday at 1 p.m.

St. John's sits as the first seed with an 8-2-0 conference mark. Behind the Red Storm are Virginia Tech (7-3-0, 13-4-0), Notre Dame (6-3-1, 12-3-3), Rutgers (5-2-3, 9-5-3), Seton Hall (5-2-3, 8-4-4), Connecticut (5-3-2, 8-7-3), Providence (4-5-1, 6-8-2)

and Villanova (4-6-0, 9-7-1).

Note

Notre Dame started Sunday's game at Michigan State without both of its starting midfielders. Seniors Chad Riley and Filippo Chillemi sat out due to injuries.

Clark said sophomore John Stevens did well filling in for Riley, who has been sidelined with a pulled hamstring. Riley first pulled the hamstring on the road against Cleveland State and then re-aggravated it at Virginia Tech.

Chillemi cut the inside of his right foot against Villanova and needed eight stitches. Chillemi reentered Friday's game but sat out on Sunday.

"His foot swelled up a little bit," Clark said. "It didn't make any sense to play him [Sunday]."

NOTRE DAME 2, MICHIGAN STATE 0 at EAST LANSING, Mich.

	1st	2nd	Total
NOTRE DAME	0	0	1
MICHIGAN STATE	0	0	0

Scoring Summary

ND — Martin, Greg (5), 69:44 (unassisted)

Notre Dame — Saves 6 (Sawyer, Chris), Shots 12 (Martin 3, Corner Kicks 5, Fouls 9)

Michigan State — Saves 5 (Robinson, Mike), Shots 14 (Minagawa-Webster, J. 4), Corner Kicks 8, Fouls 13

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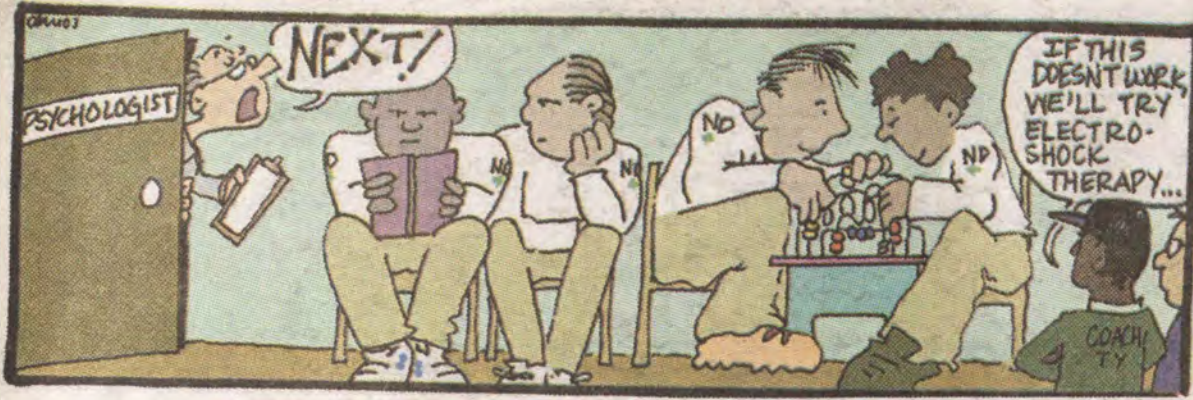


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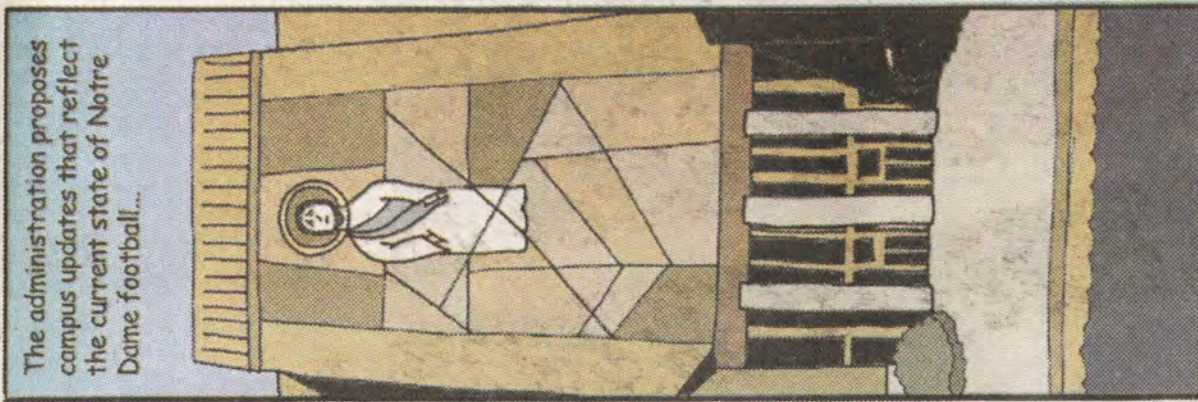
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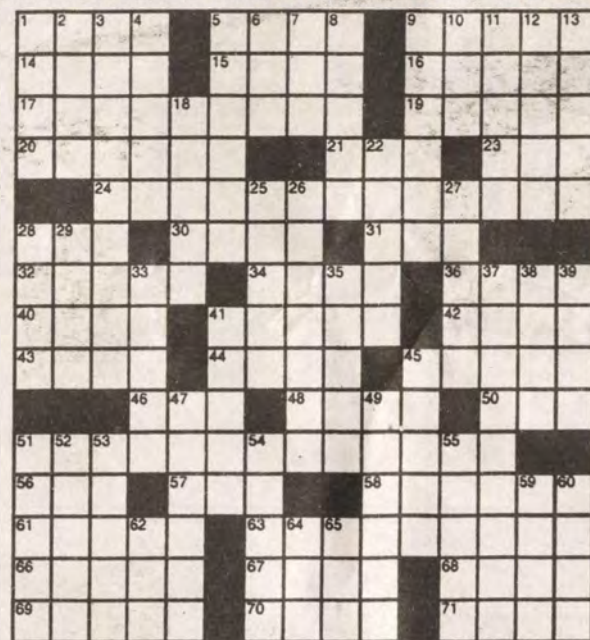
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WILL SHORTZ

- ACROSS**
- 1 Atlas contents
 - 5 Sonny's partner, once
 - 9 Jazz style
 - 14 Spanish water
 - 15 Composer Schifrin
 - 16 French romance
 - 17 Snuggles in
 - 19 Jay Silverheels role
 - 20 Some potatoes
 - 21 Shirt part
 - 23 Sticky stuff
 - 24 Flops down
 - 28 Have a look
 - 30 And others: Abbr.
 - 31 Start of long-distance dialing
 - 32 Piles
 - 34 What Santa's making (and checking twice)
 - 36 Ho-hum
 - 40 "If all ___ fails..."
 - 41 Picture puzzle
 - 42 5K, e.g.
 - 43 Way off shore
 - 44 Muslim holy man
 - 45 Deluxe sheet fabric
 - 46 Hit, as the knuckles
 - 48 Shower alternative
 - 50 Mag. staffers
 - 51 Gets ready to sit
 - 56 Prefix with metric
 - 57 Health resort
 - 58 Pacific weather phenomenon
 - 61 Surgeon's assistant
 - 63 Stays awhile
 - 66 Fortuneteller's aid
 - 67 Duet plus one
 - 68 Count (on)
 - 69 Snow sliders
 - 70 Catch sight of
 - 71 "Jurassic Park" menace, briefly
- DOWN**
- 1 O. Henry's "The Gift of the ___"
 - 2 Got gray
 - 3 Helped to relax
 - 4 "Peter and the Wolf" bird
 - 5 Skeleton's place?
 - 6 Western omelet ingredient
 - 7 North Pole toy maker
 - 8 Palace dweller
 - 9 Michael Keaton title role, 1989
 - 10 Comic Philips
 - 11 Drum played with the hands
 - 12 Words before sight and mind
 - 13 Conclusive evidence
 - 18 Fountain orders
 - 22 Genealogy
 - 25 Oregon's capital
 - 26 Poor woodcutter of folklore
 - 27 Actress Winger
 - 28 Ballpark near Ashe Stadium
 - 29 Snakelike fish
 - 33 Oyster's prize
 - 35 Shrub with red fruit
 - 37 Early bird's opposite
 - 38 ___ reflux
 - 39 Egg layers
 - 41 Shred
 - 45 "___ we dance?"
 - 47 Desirable qualities
 - 49 Comic 1982 Richard Pryor film
 - 51 Pub orders
 - 52 Typical
 - 53 "Casablanca" actor Peter
 - 54 Sticky stuff
 - 55 Not moving
 - 59 World's longest river
 - 60 Cameo stone
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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Avoiding the storm

No. 2 Irish squeak by Hurricanes in first round of Big East tourney 2-1 in overtime

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

Coming into Sunday's game against Miami, the women's soccer team had never lost a Big East Tournament game. The Irish survived the Hurricanes, winning 2-1 in overtime, but barely managed to win their 19th all-time tournament game.

While the Irish managed to dominate possession throughout the last three-fourths of the game, it was not until senior Amanda Guertin's golden goal 2:54 into the overtime period that the Irish could savor coach Randy Waldrum's 200th victory as a Division I women's soccer coach.

"It's exciting, although I hadn't even realized it until I saw something about it last week on the Internet," said Waldrum of the milestone. "It couldn't have come with a better group of women, so getting the 200th with this group was special. More important than that is that we're moving on with a chance to regain that Big East Championship again."

Guertin's goal came on a set piece with senior Kim Carpenter adding her second assist of the game, as Guertin drilled a shot into the right side of the net.

"It might be the best one," said Guertin, comparing the goal to her other 17 game-win-



Freshman midfielder Lizzie Reed scoots through two Georgetown defenders at a game earlier this season. The Irish beat Miami 2-1 in overtime to advance in the Big East Tournament.

TIM KACMAR/The Observer

ners in her four years. "It's to go on and it's playoff time, the team has done so well, it's great."

The goal ended a frustrating game for the Irish, who outshot the Hurricanes 27-5 and had 11 corner kicks to only three for Miami. The Irish had 10 shots

on goal to only three for Miami.

Still, there were some nervous moments as well for the Irish. Erika Bohn made a brilliant save early in the game by coming out and knocking the ball away.

In the second half, only

Jill Krivacek glanced off the crossbar. Bohn came out to play a ball that ended up being deflected off an Irish player. The ball rolled toward the Irish goal, but rolled just wide.

"I think right before we start-

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HOCKEY

Brown gets his third shutout

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associate Sports Editor

Only six games into his career, David Brown is already putting his name in the record books.

The freshman goaltender collected his record third straight shutout and increased his record shutout streak to 186 minutes, 15 seconds as the Irish (5-2-0, 4-2-0 in the CCHA) won their fourth game in a row Friday with a 2-0 victory over Nebraska-Omaha.

The 18-year old is also three-fourths of the way to setting the Notre Dame career shutout record, currently held by his teammate Morgan Cey. At the start of the season, Cey's recovery from off-season surgery opened the door for Brown to impress the Irish coaches in his short emergency stint.

Even though Cey has returned, Brown continues to get starts in goal and is taking advantage of his chances. The freshman currently leads the CCHA with a .964 save percentage and 1.15 goals against average.

"I just tried to come in and play like I had been," Brown said. "The defense was great again tonight. They let me see

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Another sweeping win for Irish

No. 14 Notre Dame beats Syracuse in three games

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN

Forget about losing a match, the Irish don't even give up games anymore.

No. 14 Notre Dame (19-2, 8-0) defeated Syracuse (16-12, 3-5) Sunday afternoon in three games (30-16, 30-26, 30-21).

With the win, the Irish extended their winning streak to twelve matches. Notre Dame lost its last game Oct. 21 to North Carolina on

the road.

Sunday, the Irish dominated Syracuse from the beginning, holding the Orangewomen to a .195 hitting percentage in the first game. Notre Dame took a 15-3 lead to start the match and never looked back.

"I was really, really pleased with how we came out in game one and how we played really strong throughout that game," coach Debbie Brown said.

However, game two was a different story, as the Irish trailed the whole way before Katie Neff's solo block evened the score at 19. Even though the Irish trailed almost the entire game, they never felt the game was out of reach, despite their poor hitting.

"Our passing was a little off tonight," Brown said. "Because of that, our offense was also a little off."

But the Irish didn't let their .140 hitting percentage in game two phase them, as they registered four blocks in the game and 15 on the match, led by Lauren Kelbley's 4.5 blocks.

"The fact that our hitting wasn't as strong didn't affect us as much [because of our strong blocking]," Brown said.

However, even though the Irish escaped game two, they were looking for more going into the stretch run of the season.

"I kept thinking that we were going to pick it up and get back into it faster than we did," Brown said. "I didn't feel like it was anything they were doing to us, it was just us not handling the ball well on our side."

Game three was another

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MEN'S SOCCER

Sawyer, defense blank Spartans 1-0

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's soccer team closed out its regular season on Sunday with a 1-0 victory at Michigan State.

Senior midfielder Greg Martin scored his fifth goal as the Irish finished the season 12-3-3 overall and 6-3-1 in the Big East.

It was the second victory of the weekend for the Irish.

"This was a very tough inter-regional game," coach Bobby Clark said. "The weekend overall was great from a results point of view."

Notre Dame's sixth conference win came on Friday night against Villanova (9-7-1, 4-6-

0) at Alumni Field. The win secured the Irish home-field advantage in the first round of the Big East Tournament.

"The team knew this was huge going into the weekend, both regarding the conference and the NCAA," coach Bobby Clark said. "Villanova was a very tough home game."

It was senior night at Alumni Field, as was evident with just under three minutes remaining when senior walk-on Roger Klauer entered the game at forward. Still, a freshman, midfielder Ian Etherington stole the show with two assists in the match.

Etherington found senior forward Devon Prescod with a

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

ND VOLLEYBALL

Lauren Brewster leads the nation in blocking and has won three Big East Weekly awards this season.

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SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles finish sixth

Saint Mary's defeats Olivet and Adrian at the MIAA Championship race.

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ND CROSS COUNTRY

Women claim Big East title, men finish second

Notre Dame takes the title for the second straight year, while the men's team finishes second. The women had all five of their runners finish in the top five.

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Irish head to South Carolina

Notre Dame eyes a crown at weekday tournament.

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FOOTBALL

Florida State 37 Notre Dame 0

The Irish get smoked at home by the Seminoles.

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Broken record

Florida State gets revenge with 37-0 embarrassment of the Irish

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associate Sports Editor

Last year, after No. 11 Florida State lost at home 34-24 to No. 6 Notre Dame, Seminole coach Bobby Bowden said his team was "bumfuzzled" by the Irish.

Saturday, the legendary coach got revenge for that loss by handing the Irish a 37-0 defeat, the first time Notre Dame had been shut out at home since 1978.

After starting the 2002 season 8-0 and bringing the Irish to as high as No. 4 in the nation, head coach Tyrone Willingham has seen his team go 4-9 since.

"This is always one of the most difficult jobs as a coach — when things aren't going well, to keep the team moving forward and keep them positive," Willingham said. "We will find ways to do that."

In what has become a bit of a broken record this season, the Irish (2-6) again found themselves looking for answers after being dominated by a ranked team. Notre Dame fell on the road to then-No. 7 Michigan 38-0 and lost to then-No. 5 USC at home 45-17.

Factor in a 44-13 loss on the road to USC at the end of last season, and the Irish have lost four of their last 10 games by 31 points or more.

Oft-criticized Florida State quarterback Chris Rix torched the Irish through the air Saturday, completing 17-of-31 passes for 327 yards and three touchdowns. He also threw three interceptions, but the Irish were unable to capitalize on the turnovers.

Wide receiver Craphonso Thorpe set a record for most receiving yards in a game by one player against Notre Dame, catching seven passes for 217 yards and two touchdowns. He jumpstarted the Florida State offensive attack with a 38-yard reception on the Seminoles' first play from scrimmage.

"They consistently kept the pressure on us and didn't allow us to make the plays we needed to make," Willingham said. "We were concerned with their vertical passing game and I think, more than anything else, they hurt us with the ability of their receivers to make plays."

The affable Bowden agreed that the Florida State passing game was the difference.

"That was where we took charge of the game, being able to get the long stuff," he said. "The quarterback laid it out there pretty good, and our receivers caught it good and ran with it."

"That was the difference in the ball game, at least from an offensive standpoint."

Notre Dame had several chances to put points on the board, especially during a key sequence early in the game. With the Seminoles up 10-0, cornerback Vontez Duff intercepted Rix 5:58 into the first



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Notre Dame defensive end Victor Ablamirl misses Florida State quarterback Chris Rix in the end zone. Had Ablamirl made the tackle, it would have resulted in a safety, and the Irish could have avoided the shutout.

period and returned the interception 55 yards to the Florida State 9-yard line.

"We've got to make plays. That's what it comes down to."

Brady Quinn
Irish quarterback

The Irish were unable to put the ball in the end zone, hobbled by two key penalties — a holding call and a substitution infraction following a Notre Dame timeout — and were forced to try a 31-yard field goal. D.J. Fitzpatrick's kick was blocked by B.J. Ward, and the Irish were unable to take advantage of Duff's interception.

"I think that was a big play when

you're playing a good football team," Willingham said. "Those are the kind of mistakes you cannot make."

The Irish had difficulty getting anything going on offense, primarily because they continually left themselves in difficult long yardage situations on third down. Notre Dame was 4-for-13 in third-down conversions, with only one coming in the first half.

"We just couldn't get anything established on offense," Irish offensive coordinator Bill Deidrick said. "We struggled. You can look at the inefficiency on third-down completions."

"When you're not converting and not getting real positive plays on first down it makes it real difficult."

For the game, the Irish were 0-for-4 in chances to score inside the red zone. Notre Dame was also 0-for-5 in fourth down conversions, most of which came inside the red zone during the second half as Notre Dame was making a desperation comeback.

"We've got to make plays," said embattled Irish quarterback Brady Quinn, who completed 20-of-52 passes for 175 yards and three interceptions — including one that was returned for a touchdown. "That's what it comes down to. We've got to put the ball in the end zone. We had plenty of opportunities today and we did not do that."

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player of the game

Craphonso Thorpe

The Florida State wide receiver set the tone for his seven catch, 217 yard, two touchdown day with a 38 yard catch on the game's first play.

stat of the game

68

number of consecutive points scored by Notre Dame opponents at Notre Dame Stadium

play of the game

B.J. Ward's block of D.J. Fitzpatrick's first quarter field goal

The block prevented the Irish from establishing any momentum and led to a very long day.

quote of the game

"I don't know if I can explain it. If I would, then hopefully we would have some answers prior to this moment."

Tyrone Willingham
Irish head coach

report card

- D** **quarterbacks:** No touchdowns, a 38 percent completion rate and three interceptions. Not a good day for Quinn as his passes were erratic the entire afternoon.
- B** **running backs:** Overall, this group had a good day averaging almost five yards a carry. When the team got down, Diedrick had to abandon the running game and just throw the ball.
- D-** **receivers:** Just compare how open the Florida State wideouts were to how it seemed the Irish receivers never found holes in the defense. A number of drops didn't help either.
- B-** **offensive line:** Despite a number of injuries to players up and down the line, Quinn wasn't sacked. They opened up holes for the running backs and did a commendable job.
- B-** **defensive line:** Rix felt pressure most of the afternoon and the Seminoles averaged 2.6 yards per carry, but the line missed a number of chances to make bigger plays, including twice on potential safeties.
- B-** **linebackers:** This group held the Seminole running backs in check. Watson and Curry combined for four tackles for loss and Curry had the Irish's only sack.
- D-** **defensive backs:** Seminole receivers found enormous holes in the Notre Dame defense and won a large number of the one-on-one jump-ball situations. Three interceptions save them from failing.
- C-** **special teams:** A poor snap on what turned out to be a blocked field goal kept the Irish from scoring early. Fitzpatrick finished with a decent punt average.
- F** **coaching:** The coaching staff thought the defense could win one-on-one battles with the Seminole receivers, but they were very wrong. The game plan from the start was just awful.
- 1.59** **overall:** Once again, the Irish had a chance to defeat a top 10 team and they looked like they didn't even belong on the same field.

adding up the numbers

passing yards by Florida State quarterback Chris Rix in the first quarter Saturday **187**

1 first downs by the Irish in the first half. The Irish got their second first down with 10:47 remaining in the third quarter.

interceptions by the Irish Saturday, matching their entire total in previous seven games. The Irish couldn't capitalize on the turnovers **3**

68 unanswered points scored by opponents at Notre Dame Stadium since a first quarter Brady Quinn to Anthony Fasano touchdown pass against USC

penalty yards accumulated by the Irish in the first half. The offense gained 66 yards in the same time frame. **67**

150 games since the last shutout by an opponent against the Irish at Notre Dame Stadium

receiving yards by Florida State receiver Crapponso Thorpe, a record by an opponent at Notre Dame player **217**

1 losses by Notre Dame on All Saints Day. Prior to Saturday, the Irish were 13-0-1 on Nov. 1.



ALLISON NICHOLS/The Observer

Notre Dame head coach Tyrone Willingham looks despondently toward the field during Florida State's 37-0 victory over the Irish. Since starting his Notre Dame coaching career 8-0, Willingham's teams have compiled a 4-9 mark and been outscored 306-133 in the last 10 games.

2003 team making its mark

Tyrone Willingham promised Notre Dame fans a "new Irish football team" at Friday night's pep rally.

What he didn't mean was for that new team to become No. 2 in all-time winning percentage.

What he didn't mean was a team that lost three consecutive home games for the first time since Gerry Faust in 1984.

What he assuredly didn't mean was a team rivaling those only remembered in Notre Dame lore for their embarrassing marks.

The 1956 team coached by Terry Brennan went 2-8. The Irish lost three straight times at home by a combined 87 points, including a 40-0 loss to No. 1 Oklahoma. Willingham's total is 74 points, with the capper being Saturday's 37-0 embarrassment.

The 1960 team led by Joe Kuharich, that also went 2-8, is the only Notre Dame team ever to lose four straight home games.

It seems much longer than only a year ago that the Irish were at their peak of the "Return to Glory" and the Savior of South Bend was ready to make this program a top-10 fixture once again.

Florida State handed Notre Dame its second-worst home shutout loss ever, the first home shutout since 1978 (a streak of 150 home games),

its first-ever loss on All Saints Day, its third 30-point loss this season. The only other time that happened was 1956.

Unfortunately the list goes on, and it's not pretty.

Look at the past 10 games. The Irish are 2-8 in those games, just like Brennan's and Kuharich's teams, with four of those losses coming by at least 31 points. They have been outscored 306-133. That beats the 1956 team that was outscored 289-130 and the 1960 squad who lost 188-11.

Opponents have scored 68 unanswered points in Notre Dame Stadium since a Brady Quinn to Anthony Fasano touchdown pass with 4 minutes, 2 seconds remaining in the first quarter against USC.

It got so bad Saturday students were doing push-ups for first downs. Students sang "You've lost that lovin' feeling," as the final minutes ran off the clock since the band's halftime show was the highlight of the game.

Florida State tried to give the Irish a post-Halloween treat by handing them two safeties to negate the shutout, but the defense acted as if the Seminoles had just given them an unwanted trick. When fans saw that, they left faster than minors at a bar raid.

And it wasn't just new things Saturday. The Irish showed they haven't learned from previous mistakes.

For the second time this season, officials caught the Irish with 12 men on the field coming out of a timeout. Yes, a timeout where the whole team goes to the sidelines and gets its assignments personally from the coaching staff.

Receivers were dropping balls and

running third down routes short of the first-down marker, passes were extremely erratic, defenders didn't wrap up their tackles and stupid penalties were made.

The first half was so bad the Irish had more penalty yards (67) than offensive yards (66) and only one first down.

How could Willingham and the coaching staff let this team get to this absolutely atrocious state? Granted, this team was nowhere near as good as its 8-0 record last year, but is it really as bad as its 4-9 mark in its last 13 games?

Willingham doesn't think so. He saw a team that "came out with some energy and some fight," and played hard to the final whistle.

Going out and giving your best, even when it's not apparent, isn't what Notre Dame fans want to hear.

Fans are used to losing two or three games in a season, not per month. That Notre Dame mystique Bobby Bowden talked about being apparent in 1993 is now as common as a male in a female dorm after parietals. Teams should be calling up Kevin White and begging him to play in South Bend.

But Willingham and the Irish haven't hit rock bottom just yet. That could come next week.

A loss to Navy, a 6-3 Navy team, would make Notre Dame 2-7 — both last happened in 1963.

That would make Willingham and the Irish the "new team" they don't want to be.

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Matt Lozar

Associate Sports Editor

Thorpe has record-setting afternoon

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

The Irish had some "firsts" on Saturday against Florida State. They lost for the first time ever on November 1 and for the first time ever, they failed to score against Florida State in the first half of a game.

But, these were insignificant compared to the day had by Crapponso Thorpe and the Florida State receivers.

Thorpe finished with 217 yards receiving on seven catches, the most ever by a Notre Dame opponent. USC's John Jackson held the previous record, with 200 yards on 14 catches in 1989.

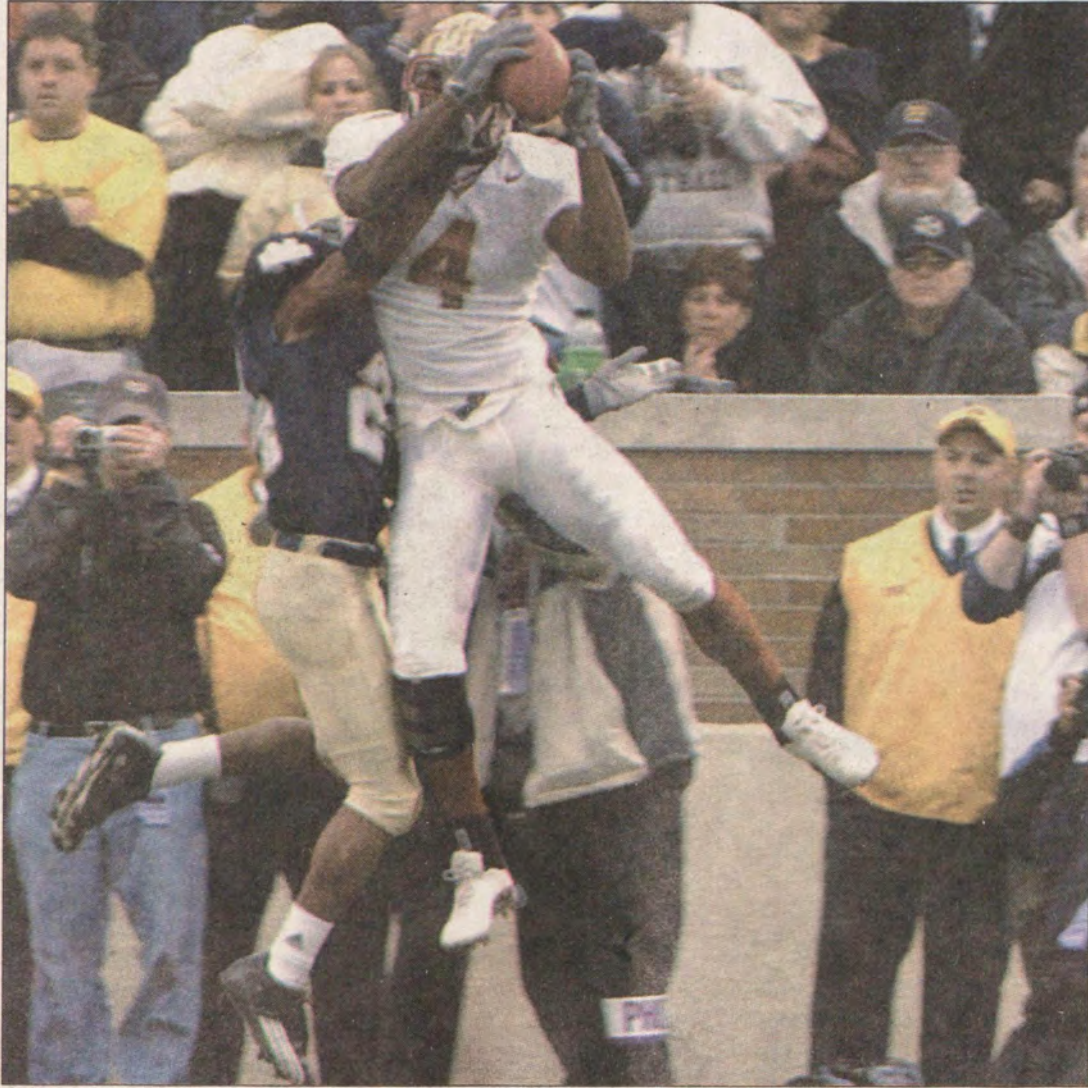
"Thank goodness we can throw and catch," Seminoles head coach Bobby Bowden said.

For the Irish secondary, it came down to making the big play — or not making it. The Seminoles' Chris Rix finished with 327 yards passing and three touchdowns, completing 17 of 31 attempts. This included a 51-yard completion to Thorpe, the longest completion against the Irish this season.

Thorpe caught two touchdown passes, one for 38 yards and the other for 35 yards. The Irish couldn't stop the deep ball, as Rix continually threw it up for his receivers, letting them make the plays over the smaller Irish defensive backs.

"We were concerned coming into the ball game," head coach Tyrone Willingham said. "One, with their vertical passing game, and that, more I think than anything else, hurt us with their ability of receivers to make plays."

But despite the concerns of Willingham, the Irish found themselves outplayed by Seminole receivers the entire first half. Rix threw for 187 yards in the first quarter alone.



Florida State wide receiver P.K. Sam out jumps Notre Dame defensive back Dwight Ellick for a ball Saturday afternoon. Sam and the rest of the Seminole receivers burned the Irish all day.

"We just didn't make the right plays at the right time," Irish defensive back Preston Jackson said. "We forced them to throw the ball, which we wanted to do.

We wanted Chris Rix to put the ball in the air and match up against the wide receivers. We didn't play the ball well. The defense as a whole did not

make plays." However, the Irish have played against good wide

receivers all year long and have contained them, including the likes of Pittsburgh's Larry Fitzgerald.

"They're a very talented receiving corps, just as any other team has that we've played all year," cornerback Jason Beckstrom said.

Then, what was the difference against Thorpe and the Seminoles?

"They are probably the fastest receivers we played all year," defensive back Dwight Ellick said. "We were in position to make plays, it was just a matter of us making them, and we weren't making them, so that was probably the biggest factor."

Though Saturday's game leaves the secondary searching for answers, the Irish have not lost confidence in their abilities.

"We still feel that we are one of the best secondaries in the nation," Ellick said. "It is just a matter of going out and proving it."

But, when it came down to it, the Irish didn't make the plays they needed to Saturday, and they knew it, as they let the Seminole receivers get the best of them.

"Today, we didn't get the job done," Jackson said.

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Dwight Ellick
Irish cornerback

Jones passes Gipper in record books

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With his 79 yards in Saturday's loss, Irish running back Julius Jones passed George Gipp to move into sixth place all time in Notre Dame history in rushing yards. Jones currently has 2,399 yards in his career, with four games left on the Notre Dame schedule.

Gipp, who played from 1917 to 1920, finished his career with 2,341 yards in 28 games. He died from a throat infection in 1920 at the age of 25 and is famous for telling then coach Knute Rockne to one day tell his team to "win one for the Gipper," which the Irish did eight years later in a 12-6 victory over Army.

Next up for Jones on the career rushing list is Phil Carter, who is 10 yards ahead of Jones.

Pressed into action

Irish offensive lineman Dan Stevenson was injured near the beginning of the second period and backup Jamie Ryan was forced into an emergency substitution.

"I think maybe that first play out there I didn't do as well as I liked," Ryan said. "But I'm not one to make excuses."

"I think that practice is a big part of staying mentally and physically ready for a situation like this."

Ryan did not see any action in Notre Dame's three previous games.

Counting on the coaches

For the second time this year, Notre Dame had a substitution penalty following a time out.

Despite the extra time allowed to get the proper personnel onto the field, Irish coaches allowed one too many players out onto

the field, costing Notre Dame five yards and changing what would have been third-and-goal from the Florida State 3-yard line into third-and-goal from the Florida State 8.

"The coaches didn't get the right personnel," Willingham said.

The mistake led to a field goal attempt by D.J. Fitzpatrick, which was blocked.

The other time the Irish had 12 men on the field in a critical time after a timeout was on fourth down late in the game against Michigan State.

But that infraction was irrelevant as the Spartans rushed for the first down and ran out the clock.

Frustrated fans

A season of disappointing football finally came to a head Saturday as the Irish fan base voiced its frustration, but not with boo's.

The Irish could only manage one first down in the first half, and after quarterback Brady Quinn connected with Maurice Stovall for a short gain for Notre Dame's second first down with 10:47 left in the third quarter, much of the sellout crowd rose to its feet and gave a loud sarcastic cheer and ovation.

The crowd began thinning out midway through the third quarter, and by the end of the game, few were left in the Stadium besides students and an excited Florida State contingent doing its signature tomahawk chop cheer.

Gameday captains

Captains for the Irish against the Seminoles were Jim Molinaro, Vontez Duff, Omar Jenkins and Courtney Watson.

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scoring summary

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Florida State	17	6	7	7	37
Notre Dame	0	0	0	0	0

First quarter

Florida State 3, Notre Dame 0
Xavier Battia 40-yard field goal with 10:42 remaining
Drive: 7 plays, 49 yards, 4:18 elapsed
Florida State 10, Notre Dame 0
P.K. Sam 6-yard reception from Chris Rix with 8:01 remaining (Battia kick)
Drive: 6 plays, 73 yards, 1:36 elapsed
Florida State 17, Notre Dame 0
Crapponso Thorpe 35-yard reception from Rix with 0:39 remaining (Battia kick)
Drive: 5 plays, 87 yards, 2:45 elapsed

Second quarter

Florida State 20, Notre Dame 0
Battia 44-yard field goal with 9:49 remaining
Drive: 5 plays, 37 yards, 1:47 elapsed
Florida State 23, Notre Dame 0
Battia 22-yard field goal with 3:45 remaining
Drive: 13 plays, 69 yards, 3:45 elapsed

Third quarter

Florida State 30, Notre Dame 0
Thorpe 38-yard reception from Rix with 11:34 remaining
Drive: 2 plays, 33 yards, 0:17 elapsed

Fourth quarter

Florida State 37, Notre Dame 0
Leroy Smith 90-yard interception return with 8:59 remaining (Battia kick)

statistics

total yards

ND	321
FSU	425

rushing yards

ND	146
FSU	98

passing yards

ND	175
FSU	327

return yards

ND	189
FSU	146

time of possession

ND	31:18
FSU	28:42



56-352	rushes-yards	27-8
5-17-1	comp-att-int	12-30-0
6-37.3	punts-yards	9-43.4
2-0	fumbles-lost	3-2
6-50	penalties-yards	6-40
14	first downs	9

passing

Quinn	20-52-3	Rix	17-31-3
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rushing

Jones	18-76	Booker	12-35
Grant	8-42	Washington	4-23
Quinn	4-28	Davis	1-21
		Jones	7-9
		Rix	8-16

receiving

Jenkins	5-73	Thorpe	7-217
McKnight	3-23	Sam	2-54
Stovall	3-21	Reid	2-11
Fasano	3-18	Booker	2-(-3)
Jones	2-24	Davis	1-24
Grant	2-5	Washington	1-9

tackling

Watson	11	Sims	8
Hoyte	7	Boulware	8
Duff	5	Watkins	6
Tuck	5	Wimbley	6
Curry	5	Carter	6
Campbell	3	Samuels	4
Beckstrom	3	Augustin	4
Burrell	3	Nicholson	4



For the second straight home game, an opponent embarrassed the Irish in their house. Sixty-eight unanswered points have been scored against Notre Dame at home. Florida State came out and set the tone with a 38-yard completion on the play's first game. Chris Rix threw for 327 yards and Craphonso Thorpe compiled a Notre Dame opponent record 217 receiving yards. The Irish have now lost three straight home games for the first time since 1984.

ANOTHER EMBARRASSMENT



Notre Dame running back Jullus Jones (top left) tries to break a tackle down the sideline. Florida State running back Greg Jones fumbles in front of Notre Dame defensive end Victor Ablamiri, but the Irish freshman was unable to come up with the loose ball. Notre Dame cornerback Vontez Duff (bottom left) returns his first quarter interception inside the Florida State 10. Seminole running back Leon Washington attempts to out run a Notre Dame defender deep inside Florida State territory.

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